

# IBM Corporation 4768 Cryptographic Coprocessor Security Module Non-Proprietary Security Policy



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## **1 Document History**

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#### 2 Introduction

This document defines the Security Policy for the IBM 4768 Cryptographic Coprocessor Security Module, hereafter denoted the Module. This Module with Miniboot software resident in ROM and code flash, provides security officers, users, and the security policy governing access to those services. This policy applies to multiple members of the 4768 product family.

A multi-chip embedded product, the 4768 is a cryptographic coprocessor, a general-purpose computing environment with accelerator engines, executing software and retaining secrets, despite foreseeable physical or logical attacks. End users can base high-assurance applications, such as digital signature generation or financial transaction processing, on this platform.

Firmware identifiers refer to unambiguously identifiable leading characters of Segment 1 (firmware) hash, a unique value describing firmware configuration. The actual value, a cryptographic hash of the segment image, is returned by configuration queries.

Table 1 – Cryptographic Module Configurations

|   | Module   | Module P/N and<br>Version                  | FW Version   |
|---|----------|--|--|
| 1 | 4768-001 | 01PP165-N36741<br>POST0 v0651<br>MB0 v0660 | Segment 1 Information Name: 6.0.12z P0662 M0663 P0652 F08A8 Hash data: d608bcadec5513fda6f6a02603f241c9 dd935178b2d0774554089693f7bbcbe3 47848b07353f3c096b56bbc137d1fb54 647772e0aa547400a2f012620db5aeb7 |
| 2 | 4768-001 | 01KV353-N37513<br>POST0 v0651<br>MB0 v0650 | Segment 1 Information Name: 6.0.12z P0662 M0663 P0652 F08A8 Hash data: d608bcadec5513fda6f6a02603f241c9 dd935178b2d0774554089693f7bbcbe3 47848b07353f3c096b56bbc137d1fb54 647772e0aa547400a2f012620db5aeb7 |



| 3 | 4768-001 | 01PP165-N37867<br>POST0 v0651<br>MB0 v0660 | Segment 1 Information Name: 6.0.12z P0662 M0663 P0652 F08A8 Hash data: d608bcadec5513fda6f6a02603f241c9 dd935178b2d0774554089693f7bbcbe3 47848b07353f3c096b56bbc137d1fb54 647772e0aa547400a2f012620db5aeb7 |
|---|----------|--|--|
| 4 | 4768-001 | 03FM665-H07055<br>POST0 v0651<br>MB0 v0660 | Segment 1 Information Name: 6.0.12z P0662 M0663 P0652 F08A8 Hash data: d608bcadec5513fda6f6a02603f241c9 dd935178b2d0774554089693f7bbcbe3 47848b07353f3c096b56bbc137d1fb54 647772e0aa547400a2f012620db5aeb7 |
| 5 | 4768-001 | 03GN993-N38171<br>POST0 v0651<br>MB0 v0660 | Segment 1 Information Name: 6.0.12z P0662 M0663 P0652 F08A8 Hash data: d608bcadec5513fda6f6a02603f241c9 dd935178b2d0774554089693f7bbcbe3 47848b07353f3c096b56bbc137d1fb54 647772e0aa547400a2f012620db5aeb7 |

The Module is intended for use by US Federal agencies and other markets that require FIPS 140-2 validated Level 4. End users can base high-assurance applications, such as digital signature generation or financial transaction processing, on this platform.

Note that this policy covers services of trusted, lower layers of internal firmware (Layers 0 and 1, and a stub of Layer 2). Higher layers, OS and applications (2 and 3) are not included in the current validation. Layers 2 and 3 must not be run; otherwise, it will no longer be running as a validated FIPS module. The installation of such components is out of scope and would require a separate validation to maintain FIPS 140-2 compliance. However, the security foundations do not require a cooperative or trustworthy OS/application for consistent and secure Miniboot operation.

The cryptographic boundary is the enclosure of the self-contained Module of the 4768 card. The Module is labeled unambiguously with model and part numbers of the host PCIe card, and that of the Module itself. The correspondence between end-user product, Module, and security policy is self-explanatory. The FIPS 140-2 security levels for the Module are as follows:



Table 2 – Security Level of Security Requirements

| Security Requirement                      | Security Level |
|---|----------------|
| Cryptographic Module Specification        | 4              |
| Cryptographic Module Ports and Interfaces | 4              |
| Roles, Services, and Authentication       | 4              |
| Finite State Model                        | 4              |
| Physical Security                         | 4              |
| Operational Environment                   | N/A            |
| Cryptographic Key Management              | 4              |
| EMI/EMC                                   | 4              |
| Self-Tests                                | 4              |
| Design Assurance                          | 4              |
| Mitigation of Other Attacks               | N/A            |

#### 2.1 Hardware and Physical Cryptographic Boundary

The physical form of the Module is depicted in Figure 1 for the 4768-001; the red outline depicts the physical cryptographic boundary. Figure 1 displays the physical attributes of the 4768-001 PCIe Module. The 4768-001 Module is comprised of two (2) electrical component cards with one being enclosed in a secure envelope mounted in a suspended fashion on top of the other. The Module relies on a host system that supplies a PCIe interface for input/output communication.





Figure 1 – 4768-001 Module

Table 3 – Physical Ports and Interfaces

| Physical Port        | Description                                  | Logical Interface Type |
|----------------------|--|------------------------|
| PCI Express signals: | 4-lane (x4) external                         |                        |
| PCIe data/addresses  | Bidirectional                                | Data input             |
|                      |  | Data output            |
| PCIe control         | bidirectional;                               | Control input          |
|                      | PCIe v2.0 compliant "single function" device | Status output          |



| Physical Port        | Description  | Logical Interface Type                              |
|----------------------|--|---|
| PCI Express signals: | 4-lane (x4) external   |   |
| Auxiliary signals:   | tunneled over shared flexcables  |   |
| Serial ports         | only used as status output by current IBM firmware   | Status out  |
| USB port             | bidirectional; may tunnel other signals (such as Ethernet-over-USB) not used by current IBM firmware | N/A (with current firmware)                         |
| PCle power           | 3.3 V  | Power   |
| Battery power        | variable, nominal 3.0 V  | Power   |
| External warning     | host connectivity test, latching removal from host bus monitored within Module                       | Control input (from sensor) Status output (to host) |

## 2.2 Firmware and Logical Cryptographic Boundary

Figure 2 depicts the Module operational environment with the secure enclosure outlined in red.

Note: POST2 is also in scope because it is part of the signed Segment1 image (and is included as one of the named components in the Segment1 image).



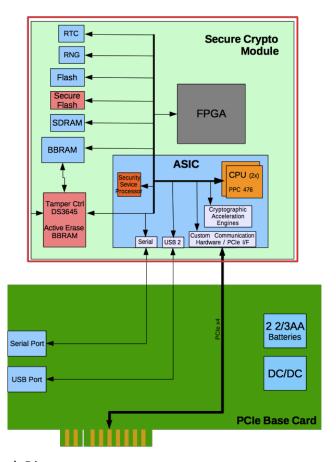


Figure 2 – 4768-001 Block Diagram

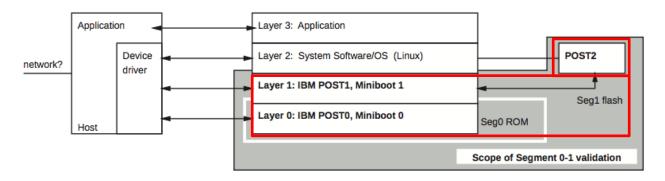


Figure 3 – Module Software Architecture – Example Usage

#### 2.3 Mode of Operation

The Module uses only approved algorithms and modes of operation. If the Module is functional, and the validated firmware variant is loaded to a validated hardware platform(s), the Module is in FIPS mode for Segments 0 and 1. The running of Seg2 and Seg3 are outside this FIPS validation. However, the loading of Seg2 and Seg3 are inside this FIPS validation. The "Signed Health Query" (Miniboot 1), in addition to



segment ownership and revision number, returns code layers' contents' SHA-512 hashes. Please see Table 1 - Cryptographic Module Configurations for Module Hardware Part Number and the Segment 1 hash being validated.

## 3 Cryptographic Functionality

The Module implements the FIPS Approved and Non-Approved but Allowed cryptographic functions listed in the tables below.

Table 4 – Approved Cryptographic Functions

| Algorithm    | Description   | Cert # |
|--------------|---|--------|
| AES          | [FIPS 197, SP 800-38A]  | 4815   |
|              | Functions: Encryption, Decryption   |        |
|              | Modes: ECB, CBC   |        |
|              | Key sizes: 128, 192, and 256 bits   |        |
|              | NOTE: This is tested, but not used.   |        |
| AES/CMAC     | Functions: Generation and Verification  | 4815   |
|              | NOTE: This is tested, but not used.   |        |
| CKG          | A vendor affirmed (VA) cryptographic key generator [SP800-133] is included as allowed by IG D.12. | VA     |
|              | Asymmetric Key Generation (SP 800-133 § 6)  |        |
|              | (Note: The resulting generated seeds for asymmetric keys are unmodified output from the DRBG.)    |        |
| DRBG         | [NIST SP800-90A Rev 1]  | 2130   |
|              | AES-256 CTR_DRBG using a derivation function and 1024 bits of entropy input                       |        |
| ECDSA        | [FIPS 186-4]  | 1450   |
|              | Functions: Key generation and signature verification  |        |
|              | Curves/Key sizes: P-521 w/ SHA 512  |        |
| CVL          | [FIPS 186-4]  | 1893   |
| ECDSA SigGen | Functions: Signature generation   |        |
| Component    | Curves/Key sizes: P-521 w/ SHA 512  |        |



| Algorithm           | Description   | Cert # |
|---------------------|---|--------|
| НМАС                | [FIPS 198-1]  | 3218   |
|                     | Functions: Generation, Verification   |        |
|                     | SHA sizes: All the following are tested, but not used:  |        |
|                     | SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA-256, SHA-384, SHA-512   |        |
|                     | <b>NOTE:</b> This is tested, but not used.  |        |
| SHA                 | [FIPS 180-4]  | 3957   |
|                     | Functions: Digital Signature Generation, Digital Signature Verification, non-Digital Signature Applications   |        |
|                     | SHA sizes: SHA-256, SHA-512   |        |
|                     | <b>NOTE:</b> These SHA sizes are tested, but not used: SHA-1, SHA-224, SHA-384, SHA-512/224, and SHA-512/256. |        |
| Triple-DES          | Functions: Encryption, Decryption Modes: ECB, CBC   | 2549   |
|                     | Key sizes: 192 bits   |        |
|                     | NOTE: This is tested, but not used.   |        |
| Triple-<br>DES/CMAC | NOTE: This is tested, but not used.   | 2549   |

Table 5 – Non-Approved but Allowed Cryptographic Functions

| Algorithm | Description                                       |
|-----------|---|
| NDRNG     | Hardware generated and used as seeds for the DRBG |

## 3.1 Critical Security Parameters (CSP)

All CSPs used by the Module are described in this section. All usage of these CSPs by the Module (including all CSP lifecycle states) is described in the services detailed in Section 4.

Table 6 – Critical Security Parameters (CSPs)

| Key                                     | Description / Usage  |
|---|--|
| Device keypair<br>(DKP1) private<br>key | Keys unique to a specific card, validated by IBM trust chain ending at the IBM Root key. Enables proof externally that card is genuine and untampered. Signs responses to Miniboot queries from host. Signs certificate for next subsequently generated device keypair.  (ECC P-521) |
| NDRBG seed                              | Entropy input / seed value generated by NDRBG and used to seed the DRBG.   |
| DRBG state                              | State of the hardware DRBG in the ASIC. State must be saved between uses and restored to the hardware before each use. State includes V and Key.   |



## 3.2 Public Keys

Table 7 - Public Keys

| Key                 | Description / Usage  |
|---------------------|--|
| Officer1 public key | Authenticates commands controlled by CO1, including new Seg1 or Seg2 firmware.   |
|                     | (ECC P-521)  |
| Officer2 public key | Authenticates commands controlled by CO2, including new Seg3 firmware.           |
|                     | (ECC P-521)  |
| Officer3 public key | Authenticates commands controlled by CO3.  |
|                     | (ECC P-521)  |
| Device keypair      | Authenticate Seg1 responses.   |
| (DKP1) public key   | (ECC P-521)  |
| IBM Class Root      | Authenticate certificate for the first Device public key (DKP1 public key) to be |
| public key          | generated.   |
|                     | (ECC P-521)  |

## 4 Roles, Authentication and Services

## 4.1 Assumption of Roles

The Role descriptions are noted in the Role Description table:

Table 8 - Role Description

| Role ID              | Role Description   | Authentication Type | Authentication Data            |
|----------------------|--|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| CO1 and<br>User role | Cryptographic Officer 1  - Owns Segment 1 and established by IBM as the base authority  - Also User role | Identity-based      | Digital Signature<br>ECC P-521 |
| CO2                  | Cryptographic Officer 2 - Owns Segment 2 and established by CO1  | Identity-based      | Digital Signature<br>ECC P-521 |
| CO3                  | Cryptographic Officer 3 - Owns Segment 3 and established by CO2  | Identity-based      | Digital Signature<br>ECC P-521 |



#### 4.2 Authentication Methods

The authentication method and its strength of mechanism are in the Authentication Method table:

Table 9 - Authentication Method

| Authentication Method          | Strength of Mechanism   |
|--------------------------------|---|
| Digital Signature<br>ECC P-521 | ECC P-521 using SHA-512 is used for the signing and verification of digital signatures.  The probability that a random attempt will succeed or a false acceptance will occur is 1/2^256, which is less than 1/1,000,000.          |
|                                | The module can only perform one (1) digital signature verification per second.  The probability of successfully authenticating to the module within one minute through random attempts is 60/2^256, which is less than 1/100,000. |

#### 4.3 Services

All services implemented by the Module are listed in the table(s) below. Each service description also describes all usage of CSPs by the service.

Table 10 – Authenticated Services

| Service             | Description   | CO1/User | CO2 | CO3 |
|---------------------|---|----------|-----|-----|
| Establish Officer 2 | Register new Officer 2  | Х        |     |     |
| Establish Officer 3 | Register new Officer 3  |          | Х   |     |
| Surrender Officer 2 | Clear Layer 2 and 3 parameters, public keys, and persistent data  |          | Х   |     |
| Surrender Officer 3 | Clear Layer 3 parameters, public key, and persistent data   |          |     | Х   |
| Ordinary Burn 1     | Load Layer 1 (owner) public key; optionally clear Layer 2 and 3 parameters and persistent data, as defined by Segment 2/3 persistent object definitions | Х        |     |     |
| Ordinary Burn 2     | Use the Officer2 public key; optionally clear Layer 3 parameters and persistent data; write Segment 2 code (over previous active one)                   |          | х   |     |
| Emergency Burn 2    | Clear Layer 2 and 3 persistent data; write Segment 2 code   | Х        |     | _   |
| Ordinary Burn 3     | Use the Officer3 public key; write Segment 3 code (over previous active one)  |          |     | Х   |



| Service                 | Description  | CO1/User | CO2 | соз |
|-------------------------|--|----------|-----|-----|
| Emergency Burn 3        | Write Segment 3 code; clear Layer 3 persistent data  |          | Х   |     |
| Software-induced tamper | Destroy all card-resident secrets, rendering the card unusable.  The additional Software-induced tamper service is not the same thing as the actual physical tamper response mechanism, but rather, a rarely used software command to render the card inoperable by triggering the tamper response mechanism to zeroize the module. It's more like a zeroize command. It doesn't require opening the hardware to zeroize.  Note that this command must be targeted to particular cards, requires IBM cooperation to create (instances are unique), and is therefore not expected to be used during the lifetime of a typical deployment. | X        |     |     |

Table 11 – Unauthenticated Services

| Service  | Description  |
|--|--|
| Cold Boot                                      | Reboots the module and performs power-on self-tests, triggered by the strobing of a bit in the HRCSR by a host device driver.  |
| Query Status                                   | Read infrastructure status, including layer owners. Reset the Module CPU (MCPU) (OS/application).  |
| Query Status/Noreset                           | Read infrastructure status, including layer owners. Do not reset Module CPU.   |
| Query Signed Health<br>("Get Health")          | Read status, including owner identities and public keys. Resets Module CPU. It does so conditionally (only if segment 2 or segment 3 has been updated since the MCPU was last reset [in practice this is only possible for segment 3]) |
| Query Signed Health/Noreset ("Query Firmware") | Read status, including owner identities and public keys. Do not reset Module CPU.  |
| Query Certificate                              | Returns the entire segment 1 certificate list, one certificate at a time (repeated calls to MB1).  |
| Query Segment 0 Hash                           | Returns the computed SHA512 hash of segment 0 (MB0 concatenated with POST0).   |



| Service               | Description  |
|-----------------------|--|
| Algorithm Test        | Hashes host-supplied data as an interactive communications/infrastructure self-test. Does not access CSPs. |
| Continue to Segment 1 | Advance into Segment 1 code if status permits  |
| Continue to Segment 2 | Advance into Segment 2 code if possible. POST 2 self-test must have completed successfully.                |

#### 4.4 Services cross-reference table

All services implemented by the Module are listed in the table below. Each service is cross-referenced with the Module CSPs, NDRBG seed, and DRBG state.

#### **Cross-reference Key**

- G Generates keys
- I Inputs key from outside of the module
- O Output key
- W Write/Store key
- U Use key
- Z Zeroize

Table 12 – Services cross-reference

| Service                | Device keypair<br>(DKP1) private key | NDRBG seed | DRBG state | Officer1 public key | Officer2 public key | Officer3 public key | Device keypair<br>(DKP1) public key | IBM Class Root<br>public key |
|------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Establish Officer 2    | U                                    | -          | -          | U                   | -                   | -                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Establish Officer 3    | U                                    | -          | -          | -                   | U                   | -                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Surrender Officer<br>2 | U                                    | -          | -          | -                   | U                   | -                   | -                                   | ,                            |
| Surrender Officer 3    | U                                    | -          | -          | -                   | -                   | U                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Ordinary Burn 1        | UGW                                  | -          | GU         | UW                  | -                   | -                   | GW                                  | -                            |
| Ordinary Burn 2        | U                                    | -          | GU         | -                   | UW                  | -                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Emergency Burn 2       | U                                    | -          | GU         | U                   | WU                  | -                   | -                                   | -                            |



| Service   | Device keypair<br>(DKP1) private key | NDRBG seed | DRBG state | Officer1 public key | Officer2 public key | Officer3 public key | Device keypair<br>(DKP1) public key | IBM Class Root<br>public key |
|---|--------------------------------------|------------|------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Ordinary Burn 3   | U                                    | -          | GU         | -                   | -                   | UW                  | 1                                   | -                            |
| Emergency Burn 3  | U                                    | -          | GU         | -                   | U                   | WU                  | -                                   | -                            |
| Software-induced tamper                                 | Z                                    | Z          | Z          | U                   | -                   | -                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Cold Boot   | -                                    | GU         | G          | -                   | -                   | -                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Query Status  | -                                    | -          | -          | -                   | -                   | -                   | 1                                   | -                            |
| Query<br>Status/Noreset                                 | -                                    | -          | -          | -                   | -                   | -                   | 1                                   | -                            |
| Query Signed<br>Health ("Get<br>Health")                | U                                    | -          | -          | 0                   | 0                   | 0                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Query Signed<br>Health/Noreset<br>("Query<br>Firmware") | U                                    | -          | -          | 0                   | 0                   | 0                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Query Certificate                                       | U                                    | -          | GU         | -                   | -                   | -                   | 0                                   | 0                            |
| Query Segment 0<br>Hash                                 | -                                    | -          | -          | -                   | -                   | -                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Algorithm Test  | -                                    | GU         | GU         | -                   | -                   | -                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Continue to<br>Segment 1                                | -                                    | -          | -          | -                   | -                   | -                   | -                                   | -                            |
| Continue to<br>Segment 2                                | -                                    | -          | -          | -                   | -                   | -                   | -                                   | -                            |

## 5 Self-tests

Each time the Module is powered on, it tests that the cryptographic algorithms still operate correctly and that sensitive data have not been damaged. Power on self–tests are available on demand by power cycling the Module.



On power on or reset, the Module performs the self-tests described in the Power on Self-tests table below. All KATs must be completed successfully prior to any other use of cryptography by the Module. If one of the KATs fails, the Module halts and a POST error code is generated. In addition to startup tests, the Module executes conditional data tests.

Table 13 – Power-on Self-tests

| Test Target                     | Description  |
|---------------------------------|--|
| Symmetric Algorit               | hms  |
| AES                             | KATs: Encryption, Decryption Modes: ECB, CBC Key sizes: 256 bits   |
| Asymmetric Algori               | thms   |
| ECDSA                           | PCT: Signature Generation, Signature Verification Curves/Key sizes: P-521 w/ SHA 512   |
| Hash Algorithms a               | nd Derivatives   |
| SHA                             | KATs: SHA-256, SHA-512   |
| Deterministic Rand              | dom Number Generation  |
| DRBG Health<br>Checks           | Tested by supplying a known state to the hardware and performing the following operations in sequence at start up.  1) Instantiate without entropy XOR, zeroize key and IV  2) Reseed  |
|                                 | 3) Generate 4) Uninstantiate   |
| DRBG                            | KATs: NIST SP800-90A Rev 1   |
| Firmware Integrity              |  |
| POST0  32-bit Checksum          | The four bytes beginning 16 bytes before the end of the POST0 image are a checksum computed so that when the POST0 image is treated as an array of four-byte numbers the sum of the entries is zero. POST0 copies itself from flash to RAM and then verifies the checksum on the RAM copy.   |
| POST1  32-bit Checksum  SHA-512 | The four bytes beginning 16 bytes before the end of the POST1 image are a checksum computed so that when the POST1 image is treated as an array of four-byte numbers, the sum of the entries is zero. POST1 is copied from flash to RAM by MBO; when POST1 runs, it verifies the checksum on the RAM copy of itself.                               |
| POST2  32-bit Checksum          | The four bytes beginning 16 bytes before the end of the POST2 image are a checksum computed so that when the POST2 image is treated as an array of four-byte numbers, the sum of the entries is zero. POST2 copies itself from flash to RAM and then verifies the checksum on the RAM copy.  |
| SHA-512                         |  |
| MB0<br>32-bit Checksum          | The four bytes beginning eight bytes before the end of the MB0 image are a checksum computed so that when the MB0 image is treated as an array of four-byte numbers, the sum of the entries is zero. POSTO verifies the checksum on the copy of MB0 in flash before transferring control to MB0. MB0 copies itself from flash to RAM four bytes at |



| Test Target                 | Description   |
|-----------------------------|---|
|                             | a time, incorporates each four bytes in a running sum as the four bytes are transferred, and verifies that the result is zero at the end.                                 |
| MB1                         | MB1 is covered by the Persistent Memory Manager (PMM). There are two instances of MB1, and the PMM maintains the starting address, length, and first 32 bytes of the SHA- |
| SHA-512                     | 512 hash of the contents of each instance.  |
| FPGA                        | The FPGA blob incorporates a proprietary integrity check that is verified by the controller that reads the blob and uses it to configure the FPGA. The proprietary        |
| Proprietary integrity check | integrity check is a 32-bit CRC of the Altera FPGA. SHA-512 is also used for a second-level check of the FPGA image.  |
| SHA-512                     |   |

Table 14 – Conditional Self-tests

| Test Target   | Description   |  |
|---------------|---|--|
| DRBG          | Continuous Test performed when a random value is requested from the DRBG.   |  |
| NDRNG         | Continuous Test performed when a random value is requested from the NDRNG.  |  |
| Firmware Load | ECC P-521 signature verification when the firmware is loaded onto the card. Once the firmware has been stored in the flash on the card, hashes are used to verify the image integrity prior to invoking the firmware. This is done for Segment 1 [, 2, and 3]. Officer1 keys are used for Segment 1 and some Segment 2 firmware. Officer2 keys are used for other Segment 2 and all Segment 3 firmware. |  |
| ECDSA         | Self-test in place for the underlying mathematical functions used for ECDSA (e.g., Point multiply, point verify, etc.). Pairwise consistency testing on all of the ECC keys generated, which, in effect, tests ECDSA (e.g., verifies that a generated keypair can be used to sign and then verify a data item).   |  |

## **6 Physical Security Policy**

Module physical security mechanisms are mainly automatic. Intrusions, which destroy card secrets through an internal, independent action, are host-observable as system administration events. A picture of the Module security cover is presented in Figure 1.

System administrators may notice tamper detection through unusual Module startup, such as a card failing to initialize. The details of such administrator-level logging are platform-dependent. It is recommended to investigate the tamper event type reported by the Module, possibly cross-checking the tamper event with other logs.

The types of tamper events are listed in the following table:



Table 15 – Physical Security Tamper Types and Recommended Actions

| Physical<br>Security<br>Mechanism | Severity/Effect | Recommended Frequency of Inspection | Test Guidance               |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Hard Tamper                       | Zeroization     | N/A (Automatic)                     | N/A                         |
| Soft Tamper                       | Module Reset    | N/A (Automatic)                     | N/A                         |
| External<br>Warning               | Warning         | Module Restart                      | Application Discretion      |
| Low Battery                       | Warning         | As frequent as possible             | Replace as soon as possible |

Physical security is constantly monitored through a tamper detection/ response envelope with tamper response and zeroization circuitry. No external physical monitoring is required. Environmental failure protection (EFP) is included.

A hard tamper event is caused by very high overvoltage, temperature or its rate of change out of reasonable operational range, or physical tamper (penetration of the tamper-detection matrix). Module memory-type devices (i.e. BBRAM, communication FIFOs) are actively zeroized. Module secrets are immediately destroyed: BBRAM is actively cleared at microelectronic speeds (sub-milliseconds). The Module becomes permanently inoperative: Miniboot startup does not successfully terminate without secrets in BBRAM.

#### Hard tamper technical specifics:

- Mesh sensors opens and shorts
- High Voltage on +3.3V and VBAT  $(4.2V \pm 0.2V)$
- High Voltage on +5V (6.28V ± 0.01V)
- Dead Battery (VBAT less than 2.4V ± 0.1V)
- Tamper controller software configuration change attempt
- Shipping/Storage temperature below -38°C ±3°C or above +90°C ± 2°C limits

A soft tamper event is caused by moderate overvoltage or temperature moderately out of operational range. Reaction is instantaneous. The Module is held under reset while the soft tamper conditions persist. Secrets are not destroyed.

Soft tamper technical specifics:

- Low voltage on +5.0V (4.76V ± 0.01V)
- High voltage on +5.0V (5.89V ± 0.05V)
- Crypto operating temperature below 0°C ± 2°C or above 83°C ± 2°C (Note 1)
- System Reset from Host



#### 7 Operational Environment

The Module is designated as a limited operational environment under the FIPS 140-2 definitions. The Module includes a firmware load service to support necessary updates. New firmware versions within the scope of this validation must be validated through the FIPS 140-2 CMVP. Any other firmware loaded into this Module is out of the scope of this validation and require a separate FIPS 140-2 validation.

#### 8 Mitigation of Other Attacks Policy

N/A

## 9 Security Rules and Guidance

The Module design corresponds to the Module security rules. This section documents the security rules enforced by the cryptographic Module to implement the security requirements of this FIPS 140-2 Level 4 Module.

- 1. The Module will provide four distinct operator roles: User and Cryptographic Officer 1, Cryptographic Officer 2, and Cryptographic Officer 3.
- 2. The Module will provide identity-based authentication.
- 3. The Module will clear previous authentications on power cycle. This is accomplished by clearing RAM and all running applications.
- 4. When the Module has not been placed in a valid role, the operator will not have access to any cryptographic services.
- 5. The operator will be capable of commanding the Module to perform the power on self-tests by cycling power or resetting the Module.
- 6. Power on self-tests do not require any operator action.
- 7. Data output will be inhibited during key generation, self-tests, zeroization, and error states. This is accomplished by the Custom Communication Hardware in the PCIe interface path.
- 8. Status information does not contain CSPs or sensitive data that if misused could lead to a compromise of the Module.
- 9. There are no restrictions on which keys or CSPs are zeroized by the zeroization service.
- 10. The Module does not support concurrent operators.
- 11. The Module does not support a maintenance interface or role.
- 12. The Module does not support manual key entry.
- 13. The Module does not have any external input/output devices used for entry/output of data.
- 14. The Module does not enter or output plaintext CSPs.
- 15. The Module does not output intermediate key values.



#### **10** References and Definitions

The following are references for this Security Policy.

## Table 16 – References

| Abbreviation    | Full Specification Name   |  |
|-----------------|---|--|
| FIPS140-2       | Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules, May 25, 2001                                       |  |
| SP800-90A Rev 1 | Recommendation for Random Number Generation Using Deterministic Random Bit<br>Generators, June 2015 |  |
| Annex A         | Approved Security Functions for FIPS PUB 140-2, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules     |  |
| Annex B         | Approved Protection Profiles for FIPS PUB 140-2, Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules    |  |
| Annex C         | Approved Random Number Generators for FIPS PUB 140-2,   |  |
|                 | Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules   |  |
| Annex D         | Approved Key Establishment Techniques for FIPS PUB 140-2,   |  |
|                 | Security Requirements for Cryptographic Modules   |  |

Table 17 – Acronyms and Definitions

| Acronym             | Definition  |  |
|---------------------|---|--|
| CA                  | Certificate Authority   |  |
| ССР                 | Card Configuration Parameters   |  |
| BBRAM               | Battery-Backed static RAM   |  |
| CSP                 | Critical Security Parameters  |  |
| EDC                 | Error Detection code  |  |
| Device Keypair      | Device-specific public-key keypair generated and retained by Segment 1. It is non-exportable, traceable back to the IBM factory CA through a certificate chain, and may be used by external parties to verify the identity of a Module, through outbound authentication (OA). |  |
| Firmware identifier | An unambiguous status identifier ("Segment 1 hash"), used to quickly summarize firmware contents. It is the SHA-256 hash of firmware contents, possibly including hardware, such as an FPGA bitfile.  |  |
|                     | Segments are identified by their own segment hashes, but this document only specifies Segment 1. Modules loaded with validated Segment 2 and 3 must specify their specific validated configurations.  |  |
| FWID                | Abbreviation of Firmware identifier   |  |



| Acronym    | Definition  |  |
|------------|---|--|
| HLM        | Hardware Lock Microcontroller, a dedicated microcontroller which assisted previous 47xx generations with access control and management of persistent storage.   |  |
|            | While current generations no longer contain an actual HLM controller, some of the relevant functionality has been retained. Documentation refers to these features as "HLM (infrastructure)" for historical reasons.  |  |
| HSEB       | High-speed erase BBRAM, a dedicated BBRAM chip actively erased upon tamper.  The most valuable Miniboot secrets reside within this region, which is wiped within milliseconds of detecting a tamper event.  |  |
| IA         | Inbound Authentication, Miniboot authenticates each command request individually.   |  |
| KAT        | Known Answer Test   |  |
| MCPU       | The Module CPU (MCPU) is a redundant embedded PowerPC 476. It is not used in the FIPS mode of operation.  |  |
| Miniboot   | Software component of Module firmware. Miniboot functionality, together with POST, roughly corresponds to those of a system BIOS in PCs, with obvious additions to cover cryptographic functionality, Module-specific hardware, and act as the Module security controller.  |  |
| OA         | Outbound Authentication, infrastructure capable of signing by a card-resident, non-exportable private key.  External parties, including other Modules, can verify that signed content has been generated by an untampered Module firmware (Segment 1). An extension allows OA to manage private keys for OS or applications (Segment 2 or 3). |  |
| PCle       | PCI Express, the external interface of our Module (also abbreviated as PCI-E).  |  |
| PN         | Part Number   |  |
| POST       | Power-On Self-Test, infrastructure tests resident in ROM and flash.   |  |
| RAS        | Abbreviation of Reliability, Availability, Serviceability   |  |
| SSP        | Security Service Processor (SSP), a dedicated processor executing Miniboot and most of POST (i.e., all privileged code). The SSP is an embedded PowerPC 405.  |  |
| Segment 1F | Segment 1F is the rewritable part of card infrastructure, including the FPGA programming file, and POST 2, all protected as part of Segment 1. Used only when the FPGA bitfile is explicitly mentioned in Segment 1 operations.   |  |