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## 1 Overview and Scope

This service template is compliant with the UPnP Device Architecture version 1.0. It defines a service type referred to herein as ContentDirectory service.

### 1.1 Introduction

Many devices within the home network contain various types of content that other devices would like to access (for example, music, videos, still images, etc). As an example, a MediaServer device might contain a significant portion of the homeowner's audio, video, and still-image library. In order for the homeowner to enjoy this content, the homeowner must be able to browse the objects stored on the MediaServer, select a specific one, and cause it to be played on an appropriate rendering device (for example, an audio player for music objects, a TV for video content, an Electronic Picture Frame for still-images, etc).

For maximum convenience, it is highly desirable to allow the homeowner to initiate these operations from a variety of UI devices. In most cases, these UI devices will either be a UI built into the rendering device, or it will be a stand-alone UI device such as a wireless PDA or tablet. In any case, it is unlikely that the homeowner will interact directly with the device containing the content (that is: the homeowner won't have to walk over to the server device). In order to enable this capability, the server device needs to provide a uniform mechanism for UI devices to browse the content on the server and to obtain detailed information about individual content objects. This is the purpose of the ContentDirectory service.

The ContentDirectory service additionally provides a lookup/storage service that allows clients (for example, UI devices) to locate (and possibly store) individual objects (for example, songs, movies, pictures, etc) that the (server) device is capable of providing. For example, this service can be used to enumerate a list of songs stored on an MP3 player, a list of still-images comprising various slide-shows, a list of movies stored in a DVD-Jukebox, a list of TV shows currently being broadcast (a.k.a an EPG), a list of songs stored in a CD-Jukebox, a list of programs stored on a PVR (Personal Video Recorder) device, etc. Nearly any type of content can be enumerated via this ContentDirectory service. For devices that contain multiple types of content (for example, MP3, MPEG2, JPEG, etc.), a single instance of the ContentDirectory service can be used to enumerate all objects, regardless of their type.

### 1.2 Notation

- In this document, features are described as Required, Recommended, or Optional as follows:

The keywords "MUST," "MUST NOT," "REQUIRED," "SHALL," "SHALL NOT," "SHOULD," "SHOULD NOT," "RECOMMENDED," "MAY," and "OPTIONAL" in this specification are to be interpreted as described in [RFC 2119].

In addition, the following keywords are used in this specification:

**PROHIBITED** – The definition or behavior is prohibited by this specification. Opposite of **REQUIRED**.

**CONDITIONALLY REQUIRED** – The definition or behavior depends on a condition. If the specified condition is met, then the definition or behavior is **REQUIRED**, otherwise it is **PROHIBITED**.

**CONDITIONALLY OPTIONAL** – The definition or behavior depends on a condition. If the specified condition is met, then the definition or behavior is **OPTIONAL**, otherwise it is **PROHIBITED**.

These keywords are thus capitalized when used to unambiguously specify requirements over protocol and application features and behavior that affect the interoperability and security of implementations. When these words are not capitalized, they are meant in their natural-language sense.

- Strings that are to be taken literally are enclosed in "double quotes".

- Words that are emphasized are printed in *italic*.
- Keywords that are defined by the UPnP AV Working Committee are printed using the forum character style.
- Keywords that are defined by the UPnP Device Architecture specification are printed using the arch character style [DEVICE].
- A double colon delimiter, “::”, signifies a hierarchical parent-child (parent::child) relationship between the two objects separated by the double colon. This delimiter is used in multiple contexts, for example: Service::Action(), Action()::Argument, parentProperty::childProperty.

### 1.2.1 Data Types

This specification uses data type definitions from two different sources. The UPnP Device Architecture defined data types are used to define state variable and action argument data types [DEVICE]. The XML Schema namespace is used to define property data types [XML SCHEMA-2].

For UPnP Device Architecture defined boolean data types, it is strongly RECOMMENDED to use the value “0” for false, and the value “1” for true. However, when used as input arguments, the values “false”, “no”, “true”, “yes” may also be encountered and MUST be accepted. Nevertheless, it is strongly RECOMMENDED that all boolean state variables and output arguments be represented as “0” and “1”.

For XML Schema defined Boolean data types, it is strongly RECOMMENDED to use the value “0” for false, and the value “1” for true. However, when used as input properties, the values “false”, “true” may also be encountered and MUST be accepted. Nevertheless, it is strongly RECOMMENDED that all Boolean properties be represented as “0” and “1”.

### 1.2.2 Strings Embedded in Other Strings

Some string variables and arguments described in this document contain substrings that MUST be independently identifiable and extractable for other processing. This requires the definition of appropriate substring delimiters and an escaping mechanism so that these delimiters can also appear as ordinary characters in the string and/or its independent substrings. This document uses embedded strings in two contexts – Comma Separated Value (CSV) lists (see subclause 1.3.1, “Comma Separated Value (CSV) Lists”) and property values in search criteria strings. Escaping conventions use the backslash character, “\” (character code U+005C), as follows:

- a) Backslash (“\”) is represented as “\\” in both contexts.
- b) Comma (“,”) is
  - 1) represented as “\,” in individual substring entries in CSV lists
  - 2) not escaped in search strings
- c) Double quote (“””) is
  - 3) not escaped in CSV lists
  - 4) not escaped in search strings when it appears as the start or end delimiter of a property value
  - 5) represented as “\\” in search strings when it appears as a character that is part of the property value

### 1.2.3 Extended Backus-Naur Form

Extended Backus-Naur Form is used in this document for a formal syntax description of certain constructs. The usage here is according to the reference [EBNF].

### 1.2.3.1 Typographic conventions for EBNF

Non-terminal symbols are unquoted sequences of characters from the set of English upper and lower case letters, the digits “0” through “9”, and the hyphen (“-”). Character sequences between 'single quotes' are terminal strings and MUST appear literally in valid strings. Character sequences between (\*comment delimiters\*) are English language definitions or supplementary explanations of their associated symbols. White space in the EBNF is used to separate elements of the EBNF, not to represent white space in valid strings. White space usage in valid strings is described explicitly in the EBNF. Finally, the EBNF uses the following operators:

**Table 1-1 — EBNF Operators**

Operator	Semantics
::=	<b>definition</b> – the non-terminal symbol on the left is defined by one or more alternative sequences of terminals and/or non-terminals to its right.
	<b>alternative separator</b> – separates sequences on the right that are independently allowed definitions for the non-terminal on the left.
*	<b>null repetition</b> – means the expression to its left MAY occur zero or more times.
+	<b>non-null repetition</b> – means the expression to its left MUST occur at least once and MAY occur more times.
[ ]	<b>optional</b> – the expression between the brackets is optional.
( )	<b>grouping</b> – groups the expressions between the parentheses.
-	<b>character range</b> – represents all characters between the left and right character operands inclusively.

## 1.3 Derived Data Types

This subclause defines a derived data type that is represented as a string data type with special syntax. This specification uses string data type definitions that originate from two different sources. The UPnP Device Architecture defined **string** data type is used to define state variable and action argument **string** data types. The XML Schema namespace is used to define property xsd:string data types. The following definition applies to both string data types.

### 1.3.1 Comma Separated Value (CSV) Lists

The UPnP AV services use state variables, action arguments and properties that represent lists – or one-dimensional arrays – of values. The UPnP Device Architecture, Version 1.0 [DEVICE], does not provide for either an array type or a list type, so a list type is defined here. Lists MAY either be homogeneous (all values are the same type) or heterogeneous (values of different types are allowed). Lists MAY also consist of repeated occurrences of homogeneous or heterogeneous subsequences, all of which have the same syntax and semantics (same number of values, same value types and in the same order). The data type of a homogeneous list is **string** or xsd:string and denoted by CSV (x), where x is the type of the individual values. The data type of a heterogeneous list is also **string** or xsd:string and denoted by CSV (x, y, z), where x, y and z are the types of the individual values. If the number of values in the heterogeneous list is too large to show each type individually, that variable type is represented as CSV (heterogeneous), and the variable description includes additional information as to the expected sequence of values appearing in the list and their corresponding types. The data type of a repeated subsequence list is **string** or xsd:string and denoted by CSV ({x, y, z}), where x, y and z are the types of the individual values in the subsequence and the subsequence MAY be repeated zero or more times.

- A list is represented as a **string** type (for state variables and action arguments) or xsd:string type (for properties).
- Commas separate values within a list.

- Integer values are represented in CSVs with the same syntax as the integer data type specified in [DEVICE] (that is: optional leading sign, optional leading zeroes, numeric US-ASCII)
- Boolean values are represented in state variable and action argument CSVs as either “0” for false or “1” for true. These values are a subset of the defined **boolean** data type values specified in [DEVICE]: **0, false, no, 1, true, yes.**
- Boolean values are represented in property CSVs as either “0” for false or “1” for true. These values are a subset of the defined Boolean data type values specified in [XML SCHEMA-2]: 0, false, 1, true.
- Escaping conventions for the comma and backslash characters are defined in subclause 1.2.2, “Strings Embedded in Other Strings”.
- White space before, after, or interior to any numeric data type is not allowed.
- White space before, after, or interior to any other data type is part of the value.

**Table 1-2 — CSV Examples**

Type refinement of string	Value	Comments
CSV ( <b>string</b> ) or CSV (xsd:string)	+artist,-date”	List of 2 property sort criteria.
CSV ( <b>int</b> ) or CSV (xsd:integer)	”1,-5,006,0,+7”	List of 5 integers.
CSV ( <b>boolean</b> ) or CSV (xsd:Boolean)	”0,1,1,0”	List of 4 booleans
CSV ( <b>string</b> ) or CSV (xsd:string)	”Smith\, Fred,Jones\, Davey”	List of 2 names, “Smith, Fred” and “Jones, Davey”
CSV ( <b>i4, string, ui2</b> ) or CSV (xsd:int, xsd:string, xsd:unsignedShort)	”-29837, string with leading blanks,0”	Note that the second value is “ string with leading blanks”
CSV ( <b>i4</b> ) or CSV (xsd:int)	”3, 4”	Illegal CSV. White space is not allowed as part of an integer value.
CSV ( <b>string</b> ) or CSV (xsd:string)	”,”	List of 3 empty string values
CSV (heterogeneous)	”Alice,Marketing,5,Sue,R&D,21,Dave,Finance,7”	List of unspecified number of people and associated attributes. Each person is described by 3 elements: a name <b>string</b> , a department <b>string</b> and years-of-service <b>ui2</b> or a name xsd:string, a department xsd:string and years-of-service xsd:unsignedShort.

#### 1.4 Management of XML Namespaces in Standardized DCPs

UPnP specifications make extensive use of XML namespaces. This allows separate DCPs, and even separate components of an individual DCP, to be designed independently and still avoid name collisions when they share XML documents. Every name in an XML document belongs to exactly one namespace. In documents, XML names appear in one of two forms: qualified or unqualified. An unqualified name (or no-colon-name) contains no colon (“:”) characters. An unqualified name belongs to the document’s default namespace. A qualified name is two no-colon-names separated by one colon character. The no-colon-name before the colon is the qualified name’s namespace prefix, the no-colon-name after the colon is the qualified name’s “local” name (meaning local to the namespace identified by the namespace prefix). Similarly, the unqualified name is a local name in the default namespace.

The formal name of a namespace is a URI. The namespace prefix used in an XML document is *not* the name of the namespace. The namespace name is, or should be, globally unique. It has a single definition that is accessible to anyone who uses the namespace. It has the same meaning anywhere that it is used, both inside and outside XML documents. The namespace prefix, however, in formal XML usage, is defined only in an XML document. It must be locally unique to the document. Any valid XML no-colon-name may be used. And, in formal XML usage, no two XML documents are ever required to use the same namespace prefix to refer to the same namespace. The creation and use of the namespace prefix was standardized by the W3C XML Committee in [XML-NMSP] strictly as a convenient local shorthand replacement for the full URI name of a namespace in individual documents.

All AV object properties are represented in XML by element and attribute names, therefore, all property names belong to an XML namespace.

For the same reason that namespace prefixes are convenient in XML documents, it is convenient in specification text to refer to namespaces using a namespace prefix. Therefore, this specification declares a “standard” prefix for all XML namespaces used herein. In addition, this specification expands the scope where these prefixes have meaning, beyond a single XML document, to all of its text, XML examples, and certain string-valued properties. This expansion of scope *does not* supersede XML rules for usage in documents, it only augments and complements them in important contexts that are out-of-scope for the XML specifications. For example, action arguments which refer to CDS properties, such as the [SearchCriteria](#) argument of the [Search\(\)](#) action or the [Filter](#) argument of the [Browse\(\)](#) action, **MUST** use the predefined namespace prefixes when referring to CDS properties (“upnp:”, “dc:”, etc).

All of the namespaces used in this specification are listed in the Tables “Namespace Definitions” and “Schema-related Information”. For each such namespace, Table 1-3, “Namespace Definitions” gives a brief description of it, its name (a URI) and its defined “standard” prefix name. Some namespaces included in these tables are not directly used or referenced in this document. They are included for completeness to accommodate those situations where this specification is used in conjunction with other UPnP specifications to construct a complete system of devices and services. For example, since the Scheduled Recording Service depends on and refers to the Content Directory Service, the predefined “srs:” namespace prefix is included. The individual specifications in such collections all use the same standard prefix. The standard prefixes are also used in Table 1-4, “Schema-related Information”, to cross-reference additional namespace information. This second table includes each namespace’s valid XML document root element(s) (if any), its schema file name, versioning information (to be discussed in more detail below), and a link to the entry in subclause 1.6, “References” for its associated schema.

The normative definitions for these namespaces are the documents referenced in Table 1-3. The schemas are designed to support these definitions for both human understanding and as test tools. However, limitations of the XML Schema language itself make it difficult for the UPnP-defined schemas to accurately represent all details of the namespace definitions. As a result, the schemas will validate many XML documents that are not valid according to the specifications.

The Working Committee expects to continue refining these schemas after specification release to reduce the number of documents that are validated by the schemas while violating the specifications, but the schemas will still be informative, supporting documents. Some schemas might become normative in future versions of the specifications.

**Table 1-3 — Namespace Definitions**

Standard Name-space Prefix	Namespace Name	Namespace Description	Normative Definition Document Reference
<i>AV Working Committee defined namespaces</i>			

Standard Namespace Prefix	Namespace Name	Namespace Description	Normative Definition Document Reference
av	urn:schemas-upnp-org:av:av	Common data types for use in AV schemas	[AV-XSD]
avs	urn:schemas-upnp-org:av:avs	Common structures for use in AV schemas	[AVS-XSD]
avdt	urn:schemas-upnp-org:av:avdt	Datastructure Template	[AVDT]
avt-event	urn:schemas-upnp-org:metadata-1-0/AVT/	Evented <i>LastChange</i> state variable for AVTransport	[AVT]
didl-lite	urn:schemas-upnp-org:metadata-1-0/DIDL-Lite/	Structure and metadata for ContentDirectory	[CDS]
cds-event	urn:schemas-upnp-org:av:cds-event	Evented <i>LastChange</i> state variable for ContentDirectory	[CDS]
rccs-event	urn:schemas-upnp-org:metadata-1-0/RCS/	Evented <i>LastChange</i> state variable for RenderingControl	[RCS]
srs	urn:schemas-upnp-org:av:srs	Metadata and structure for ScheduledRecording	[SRS]
srs-event	urn:schemas-upnp-org:av:srs-event	Evented <i>LastChange</i> state variable for ScheduledRecording	[SRS]
upnp	urn:schemas-upnp-org:metadata-1-0/upnp/	Metadata for ContentDirectory	[CDS]
<i>Externally defined namespaces</i>			
dc	http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/	Dublin Core	[DC-TERMS]
xsd	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema	XML Schema Language 1.0	[XML SCHEMA-1] [XML SCHEMA-2]
xsi	http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance	XML Schema Instance Document schema	clauses 2.6 & 3.2.7 of [XML SCHEMA-1]
xml	http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace	The "xml:" Namespace	[XML-NS]

**Table 1-4 — Schema-related Information**

Standard Namespace Prefix	Relative URI and File Name <sup>1)</sup> • Form 1, Form 2, Form3	Valid Root Element(s)	Schema Reference
<i>AV Working Committee Defined Namespaces</i>			
av	av-vn-yyyyymmdd.xsd av-vn.xsd av.xsd	n/a	[AV-XSD]
avs	avs-vn-yyyyymmdd.xsd avs-vn.xsd avs.xsd	<Capabilities> <Features> <stateVariableValuePairs>	[AVS-XSD]
avdt	avdt-vn-yyyyymmdd.xsd avdt-vn.xsd avdt.xsd	<AVDT>	[AVDT]
avt-event	avt-event-vn-yyyyymmdd.xsd avt-event-vn.xsd avt-event.xsd	<Event>	[AVT-EVENT-XSD]
cds-event	cds-event-vn-yyyyymmdd.xsd cds-event-vn.xsd cds-event.xsd	<StateEvent>	[CDS-EVENT-XSD]
didl-lite	didl-lite-vn-yyyyymmdd.xsd didl-lite-vn.xsd didl-lite.xsd	<DIDL-Lite>	[DIDL-LITE-XSD]

Standard Name-space Prefix	Relative URI and File Name <sup>1)</sup> • Form 1, Form 2, Form3	Valid Root Element(s)	Schema Reference
rcs-event	rcs-event-vn-yyyymmdd.xsd rcs-event-vn.xsd rcs-event.xsd	<Event>	[RCS-EVENT-XSD]
srs	srs-vn-yyyymmdd.xsd srs-vn.xsd srs.xsd	<srs>	[SRS-XSD]
srs-event	srs-event-vn-yyyymmdd.xsd srs-event-vn.xsd srs-event.xsd	<StateEvent>	[SRS-EVENT-XSD]
upnp	upnp-vn-yyyymmdd.xsd upnp-vn.xsd upnp.xsd	n/a	[UPNP-XSD]
<i>Externally Defined Namespaces</i>			
dc	Absolute URL: <a href="http://dublincore.org/schemas/xmls/simpledc20021212.xsd">http://dublincore.org/schemas/xmls/simpledc20021212.xsd</a>		[DC-XSD]
xsd	n/a	<schema>	[XMLSCHEMA-XSD]
xsi	n/a		n/a
xml	n/a		[XML-XSD]
1) Absolute URIs are generated by prefixing the relative URIs with " <a href="http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/">http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/</a> "			

### 1.4.1 Namespace Prefix Requirements

There are many occurrences in this specification of string data types that contain XML names (property names). These XML names in strings will not be processed under namespace-aware conditions. Therefore, all occurrences in instance documents of XML names in strings MUST use the standard namespace prefixes as declared in Table 1-3. In order to properly process the XML documents described herein, control points and devices MUST use namespace-aware XML processors [XML-NMSP] for both reading and writing. As allowed by [XML-NMSP], the namespace prefixes used in an instance document are at the sole discretion of the document creator. Therefore, the declared prefix for a namespace in a document MAY be different from the standard prefix. All devices MUST be able to correctly process any valid XML instance document, even when it uses a non-standard prefix for ordinary XML names. However, it is strongly RECOMMENDED that all devices use these standard prefixes for all instance documents to avoid confusion on the part of both human and machine readers. These standard prefixes are used in all descriptive text and all XML examples in this and related UPnP specifications. Also, each individual specification may assume a default namespace for its descriptive text. In that case, names from that namespace may appear with no prefix.

The assumed default namespace, if any, for each UPnP AV specification is given in Table 1-5, "Default Namespaces for the AV Specifications".

Note: all UPnP AV schemas declare attributes to be "unqualified", so namespace prefixes are never used with AV Working Committee defined attribute names.

**Table 1-5 — Default Namespaces for the AV Specifications**

AV Specification Name	Default Namespace Prefix
AVTransport	avt-event
ConnectionManager	n/a
ContentDirectory	didl-lite
MediaRenderer	n/a

AV Specification Name	Default Namespace Prefix
MediaServer	n/a
RenderingControl	rcs-event
ScheduledRecording	srs

#### 1.4.2 Namespace Names, Namespace Versioning and Schema Versioning

The UPnP AV service specifications define several data structures (such as state variables and action arguments) whose format is an XML instance document that must comply with one or more specific XML namespaces. Each namespace is uniquely identified by an assigned namespace name. The namespaces that are defined by the AV Working Committee MUST be named by a URN. See Table 1-3, “Namespace Definitions” for a current list of namespace names. Additionally, each namespace corresponds to an XML schema document that provides a machine-readable representation of the associated namespace to enable automated validation of the XML (state variable or action parameter) instance documents.

Within an XML schema and XML instance document, the name of each corresponding namespace appears as the value of an `xmlns` attribute within the root element. Each `xmlns` attribute also includes a namespace prefix that is associated with that namespace in order to disambiguate (a.k.a. qualify) element and attribute names that are defined within different namespaces. The schemas that correspond to the listed namespaces are identified by URI values that are listed in the `schemaLocation` attribute also within the root element. (See subclause 1.4.3, “Namespace Usage Examples”)

In order to enable both forward and backward compatibility, namespace names are permanently assigned and MUST NOT change even when a new version of a specification changes the definition of a namespace. However, all changes to a namespace definition MUST be backward-compatible. In other words, the updated definition of a namespace MUST NOT invalidate any XML documents that comply with an earlier definition of that same namespace. This means, for example, that a namespace MUST NOT be changed so that a new element or attribute is required. Although namespace names MUST NOT change, namespaces still have version numbers that reflect a specific set of definitional changes. Each time the definition of a namespace is changed, the namespace’s version number is incremented by one.

Each time a new namespace version is created, a new XML schema document (.xsd) is created and published so that the new namespace definition is represented in a machine-readable form. Since a XML schema document is just a representation of a namespace definition, translation errors can occur. Therefore, it is sometime necessary to re-release a published schema in order to correct typos or other namespace representation errors. In order to easily identify the potential multiplicity of schema releases for the same namespace, the URI of each released schema MUST conform to the following format (called Form 1):

Form 1: "http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/" **schema-root-name** "-v" **ver** "-" **yyyymmdd**

where

- **schema-root-name** is the name of the root element of the namespace that this schema represents.
- **ver** corresponds to the version number of the namespace that is represented by the schema.
- **yyyymmdd** is the year, month and day (in the Gregorian calendar) that this schema was released.

Table 1-4, “Schema-related Information” identifies the URI formats for each of the namespaces that are currently defined by the UPnP AV Working Committee.

As an example, the original schema URI for the “rcs-event” namespace (that was released with the original publication of the UPnP AV service specifications in the year 2002) was

["http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/rcs-event-v1-20020625.xsd"](http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/rcs-event-v1-20020625.xsd). When the UPnP AV service specifications were subsequently updated in the year 2006, the URI for the updated version of the "rcs-event" namespace was ["http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/rcs-event-v2-20060531.xsd"](http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/rcs-event-v2-20060531.xsd). However, in 2006, the schema URI for the newly created "srs-event" namespace was ["http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/srs-event-v1-20060531.xsd"](http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/srs-event-v1-20060531.xsd). Note the version field for the "srs-event" schema is "v1" since it was first version of that namespace whereas the version field for the "rcs-event" schema is "v2" since it was the second version of that namespace.

In addition to the dated schema URIs that are associated with each namespace, each namespace also has a set of undated schema URIs. These undated schema URIs have two distinct formats with slightly different meanings:

Form 2: "http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/" *schema-root-name* "-v" **ver**  
where **ver** is described above.

Form 3: "http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/" *schema-root-name*

Form 2 of the undated schema URI is always linked to the most recent release of the schema that represents the version of the namespace indicated by **ver**. For example, the undated URI ".../av/rcs-event-v2.xsd" is linked to the most recent schema release of version 2 of the "rcs-event" namespace. Therefore, on May 31, 2006 (20060531), the undated schema URI was linked to the schema that is otherwise known as ".../av/rcs-event-v2-20060531.xsd". Furthermore, if the schema for version 2 of the "rcs-event" namespace was ever re-released, for example to fix a typo in the 20060531 schema, then the same undated schema URI (".../av/rcs-event-v2.xsd") would automatically be updated to link to the updated version 2 schema for the "rcs-event" namespace.

Form 3 of the undated schema URI is always linked to the most recent release of the schema that represents the highest version of the namespace that has been published. For example, on June 25, 2002 (20020625), the undated schema URI ".../av/rcs-event.xsd" was linked to the schema that is otherwise known as ".../av/rcs-event-v1-20020625.xsd". However, on May 31, 2006 (20060531), that same undated schema URI was linked to the schema that is otherwise known as ".../av/rcs-event-v2-20060531.xsd".

When referencing a schema URI within an XML instance document or a referencing XML schema document, the following usage rules apply:

- All instance documents, whether generated by a service or a control point, MUST use Form 3.
- All UPnP AV published schemas that reference other UPnP AV schemas MUST also use Form 3.

Within an XML instance document, the definition for the `schemaLocation` attribute comes from the XML Schema namespace "http://www.w3.org/2002/XMLSchema-instance". A single occurrence of the attribute can declare the location of one or more schemas. The `schemaLocation` attribute value consists of a whitespace separated list of values that is interpreted as a namespace name followed by its schema location URL. This pair-sequence is repeated as necessary for the schemas that need to be located for this instance document.

In addition to the schema URI naming and usage rules described above, each released schema MUST contain a `version` attribute in the `<schema>` root element. Its value MUST correspond to the format:

**ver** "-" **yyyymmdd** where **ver** and **yyyymmdd** are described above.

The `version` attribute provides self-identification of the namespace version and release date of the schema itself. For example, within the original schema released for the "rcs-event" namespace (.../rcs-event-v2-20020625.xsd), the `<schema>` root element contains the following attribute: `version="2-20020625"`.

### 1.4.3 Namespace Usage Examples

The `schemaLocation` attribute for XML instance documents comes from the XML Schema instance namespace “`http://www.w3.org/2002/XMLSchema-instance`”. A single occurrence of the attribute can declare the location of one or more schemas. The `schemaLocation` attribute value consists of a whitespace separated list of values: namespace name followed by its schema location URL. This pair-sequence is repeated as necessary for the schemas that need to be located for this instance document.

#### Example 1:

Sample *DIDL-Lite XML Instance Document*. Note that the references to the UPnP AV schemas do not contain any version or release date information. In other words, the references follow Form 3 from above. Consequently, this example is valid for all releases of the UPnP AV service specifications.

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<DIDL-Lite
  xmlns:dc="http://purl.org/dc/elements/1.1/"
  xmlns="urn:schemas-upnp-org:metadata-1-0/DIDL-Lite/"
  xmlns:upnp="urn:schemas-upnp-org:metadata-1-0/upnp/"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="
    urn:schemas-upnp-org:metadata-1-0/DIDL-Lite/
    http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/didl-lite.xsd
    urn:schemas-upnp-org:metadata-1-0/upnp/
    http://www.upnp.org/schemas/av/upnp.xsd">
  <item id="18" parentID="13" restricted="0">
    ...
  </item>
</DIDL-Lite>
```

## 1.5 Vendor-defined Extensions

Whenever vendors create additional vendor-defined state variables, actions or properties, their assigned names and XML representation MUST follow the naming conventions and XML rules as specified below.

### 1.5.1 Vendor-defined Action Names

Vendor-defined action names MUST begin with “**X**”. Additionally, it SHOULD be followed by an ICANN assigned domain name owned by the vendor followed by the underscore character (“\_”). It MUST then be followed by the vendor-assigned action name. The vendor-assigned action name MUST NOT contain a hyphen character (“-”, 2D Hex in UTF-8) nor a hash character (“#”, 23 Hex in UTF-8). Vendor-assigned action names are case sensitive. The first character of the name MUST be a US-ASCII letter (“A”-“Z”, “a”-“z”), US-ASCII digit (“0”-“9”), an underscore (“\_”), or a non-experimental Unicode letter or digit greater than U+007F. Succeeding characters MUST be a US-ASCII letter (“A”-“Z”, “a”-“z”), US-ASCII digit (“0”-“9”), an underscore (“\_”), a period (“.”), a Unicode combiningchar, an extender, or a non-experimental Unicode letter or digit greater than U+007F. The first three letters MUST NOT be “XML” in any combination of case.

### 1.5.2 Vendor-defined State Variable Names

Vendor-defined state variable names MUST begin with “**X**”. Additionally, it SHOULD be followed by an ICANN assigned domain name owned by the vendor, followed by the underscore character (“\_”). It MUST then be followed by the vendor-assigned state variable name. The vendor-assigned state variable name MUST NOT contain a hyphen character (“-”, 2D Hex in UTF-8). Vendor-assigned action names are case sensitive. The first character of the name MUST be a US-ASCII letter (“A”-“Z”, “a”-“z”), US-ASCII digit (“0”-“9”), an underscore (“\_”), or a non-experimental Unicode letter or digit greater than U+007F. Succeeding characters MUST be a US-ASCII letter (“A”-“Z”, “a”-“z”), US-ASCII digit (“0”-“9”), an

underscore (“\_”), a period (“.”), a Unicode combiningchar, an extender, or a non-experimental Unicode letter or digit greater than U+007F. The first three letters MUST NOT be “XML” in any combination of case.

### 1.5.3 Vendor-defined XML Elements and attributes

UPnP vendors MAY add non-standard elements and attributes to a UPnP standard XML document, such as a device or service description. Each addition MUST be scoped by a vendor-owned XML namespace. Arbitrary XML MUST be enclosed in an element that begins with “X,” and this element MUST be a sub element of a standard complex type. Non-standard attributes MAY be added to standard elements provided these attributes are scoped by a vendor-owned XML namespace and begin with “X”.

### 1.5.4 Vendor-defined Property Names

UPnP vendors MAY add non-standard properties to the ContentDirectory service. Each property addition MUST be scoped by a vendor-owned namespace. The vendor-assigned property name MUST NOT contain a hyphen character (“-”, 2D Hex in UTF-8). Vendor-assigned property names are case sensitive. The first character of the name MUST be a US-ASCII letter (“A”-“Z”, “a”-“z”), US-ASCII digit (“0”-“9”), an underscore (“\_”), or a non-experimental Unicode letter or digit greater than U+007F. Succeeding characters MUST be a US-ASCII letter (“A”-“Z”, “a”-“z”), US-ASCII digit (“0”-“9”), an underscore (“\_”), a period (“.”), a Unicode combiningchar, an extender, or a non-experimental Unicode letter or digit greater than U+007F. The first three letters MUST NOT be “XML” in any combination of case.

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