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1 Introduction

The SAML V2.0 Assertions and Protocols specification defines the `<SubjectConfirmation>` element which can provide evidence that, when applied to a process known as a Method, may be used by a relying party to confirm that the message came from a system entity that is associated with the subject of an assertion. This specification defines a new subject confirmation method that uses evidence provided by the Kerberos protocol.

1.1 Terminology

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 IETF RFC 2119 [RFC 2119].

1.2 Normative References

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URI: urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:cm:kerberos

The `<KerberosData>` element from the XML namespace `urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:attribute:kerberos` MUST be present within the `<SubjectConfirmationData>` element. This element MUST contain a single instance of either the `<KerberosCname>` or the `<KerberosSname>` element. This elements MUST name the Kerberos [RFC 4120] user or service principal that is considered to be the subject of the assertion by the asserting party, subject to optional constraints on confirmation using the attributes that MAY be present in the `<SubjectConfirmationData>` element, as defined by [SAML2Core].

Example: The Kerberos user principal named "joe@EXAMPLE.ORG" can confirm itself as the subject.

```xml
<SubjectConfirmation Method="urn:oasis:names:tc:SAML:2.0:cm:kerberos">
  <SubjectConfirmationData>
    <KerberosData>
      <KerberosCname>
        joe@EXAMPLE.ORG
      </KerberosCname>
    </KerberosData>
  </SubjectConfirmationData>
</SubjectConfirmation>
```
3 Conformance

An asserting party implementation conforms to this profile if it can produce assertions and other SAML-defined content consistent with the normative text of section 2.

A relying party implementation conforms to this profile if it can accept assertions and other SAML-defined content consistent with the normative text of section 2.
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