

# Explain Announcement Playback Mechanism in BroadWorks

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## Introduction

This document describes how BroadWorks Application Server (AS) interacts with Media Server (MS) for digit collection and announcement playback.

## Background Information

The announcements are commonly used during call handling. For example, it can be used to prompt for digit collection (Enter your PIN number followed by pound), or to inform caller about call failure (Your call cannot be completed as dialed). In BroadWorks solution, Media Server is responsible for playback of announcement, however, media files are stored in Application Server. It is Application Server's responsibility to instruct Media Server on what file is to be played. Similarly, MS can extract user input from audio stream so that AS can make proper call handling actions.

Announcement files are stored in this location of AS server: `/usr/local/broadworks/apps/MediaFiles_<SW_version>/sysprompts/<language code>/`. For example, US English announcements in AS R24 are located in `/usr/local/broadworks/apps/MediaFiles_24.0_1.944/sysprompts/en` directory. In Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) messages `/usr/local/broadworks/apps/MediaFiles_24.0_1.944/sysprompts/en/` location is mapped to `https://<AS_address>/media/en/`.

You can read more about announcements available in Broadworks in [Cisco BroadWorks Announcement Guide](#).

## Prerequisites

## Requirements

Cisco recommends that you have knowledge of these topics:

- SIP signaling.
- Basic Auto Attendant configuration in BroadWorks.

## Components Used

The information in this document is based on these software and hardware versions:

- AS version: R24
- MS version: RI\_2022.08

However, behavior for other software versions is similar.

The information in this document was created from the devices in a specific lab environment. All of the devices used in this document started with a cleared (default) configuration. If your network is live, ensure that you understand the potential impact of any command.

## Network Topology and Call Flow

For simplicity, basic call scenario is used in this document:

- Softphone application is registered directly to AS.
- User (with extension 2011) dials into Auto Attendant (with extension 2010) and presses digit 5. This user input triggers call disconnection as shown in this screenshot:

**Business Hours Menu**  
Configure the automated receptionist greeting prompt and dialing menu to be used during business hours.

OK Apply Cancel

Business Hours Greeting:  
 Default Greeting  
 Personal Greeting  
Audio: None

Menu Options:  
 Enable first level extension dialing

Key	Description	Action	Action Data
0	group operator	Transfer to operator	Phone Number: 2012
1	dial by extension	Extension dialing	
2	dial by name	Name dialing	
3		Transfer with prompt	Phone Number:
4	Thank you message	Play announcement	Audio: ThankYou.mp3
5	Disconnect	Exit	
6		----	
7		----	
8		----	
9		----	
*		----	
#		----	

- User and Auto Attendant are in the same group.

# Explanation of SIP Message Flow

**Note:** Only relevant SIP messages are listed for clarity.

User dials 2010 and softphone sends Invite message to AS:

```
2023.01.26 16:51:41:106 CET | Info | Sip | Call Half Input Adapter 5 | 2966060 | +15403362011 | callhalf-58591:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 1111 SIP Bytes IN from 10.61.205.219:58300 INVITE sip:2010@mleus.lab SIP/2.0 Via: SIP/2.0/UDP 10.61.205.219:58300;rport;branch=z9hG4bKPjgINPvPUvoBT57iTOBPsgCfEqE5GXlaj7 Max-Forwards: 70 From: "Marek Leus" <sip:5403362011@mleus.lab>;tag=6fU.VlLrWc6WI3JU8jWKS.25yeoWEhpc To: sip:2010@mleus.lab Contact: "Marek Leus" <sip:5403362011@10.61.205.219:58300;ob> Call-ID: dtUVBWON9UjmfGCOoJzhLfbajBm11C CSeq: 6492 INVITE Route: <sip:10.48.93.126;lr> Allow: PRACK, INVITE, ACK, BYE, CANCEL, UPDATE, INFO, SUBSCRIBE, NOTIFY, REFER, MESSAGE, OPTIONS Supported: replaces, 100rel, norefersub User-Agent: Telephone 1.6 Content-Type: application/sdp Content-Length: 480 v=0 o=- 3883737105 3883737105 IN IP4 10.61.205.219 s=pjmedia b=AS:117 t=0 0 a=X-nat:0 m=audio 4012 RTP/AVP 96 9 8 0 101 102 c=IN IP4 10.61.205.219 b=TIAS:96000 a=rtcp:4013 IN IP4 10.61.205.219 a=sendrecv a=rtpmap:96 opus/48000/2 a=fmtp:96 useinbandfec=1 a=rtpmap:9 G722/8000 a=rtpmap:8 PCMA/8000 a=rtpmap:0 PCMU/8000 a=rtpmap:101 telephone-event/48000 a=fmtp:101 0-16 a=rtpmap:102 telephone-event/8000 a=fmtp:102 0-16 a=ssrc:2039250127 cname:43ec7f3b5b951d53
```

Since extension 2010 belongs to Auto Attendant, AS extends call to MS:

```
2023.01.26 16:51:41:117 CET | Info | Sip | Sip EncodeQ 0 | 2966113 | +15403362010 | callhalf-58599:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 1044 SIP Bytes OUT to 10.48.93.18:5060 INVITE sip:ivr@10.48.93.18 SIP/2.0 Via:SIP/2.0/UDP 10.48.93.126;branch=z9hG4bKBroadWorks.-iom24c-10.48.93.18V5060-0-929269663-1018158145-1674748301117- From:<sip:+15403362011@10.48.93.126;user=phone>;tag=1018158145-1674748301117- To:<sip:ivr@10.48.93.18> Call-ID:BW165141117260123-861893333@10.48.93.126 CSeq:929269663 INVITE Contact:<sip:10.48.93.126:5060> X-BroadWorks-Correlation-Info:7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 Allow:ACK,BYE,CANCEL,INFO,INVITE,OPTIONS,PRACK,REFER,NOTIFY Supported: Max-Forwards:10 Content-Type:application/sdp Content-Length:469 v=0 o=BroadWorks 14605 1 IN IP4 10.61.205.219 s=- b=AS:117 t=0 0 a=X-nat:0 m=audio 4012 RTP/AVP 96 9 8 0 101 102 c=IN IP4 10.61.205.219 b=TIAS:96000 a=rtcp:4013 IN IP4 10.61.205.219 a=sendrecv a=rtpmap:96 opus/48000/2 a=fmtp:96 useinbandfec=1 a=rtpmap:9 G722/8000 a=rtpmap:8 PCMA/8000 a=rtpmap:0 PCMU/8000 a=rtpmap:101 telephone-event/48000 a=fmtp:101 0-16 a=rtpmap:102 telephone-event/8000 a=fmtp:102 0-16 a=ssrc:2039250127 cname:43ec7f3b5b951d53
```

Call is answered by MS:

```
2023.01.26 16:51:41:128 CET | Info | SipMedia | Call Half Input Adapter 2 | 2966114 | +15403362010 | callhalf-58599:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 673 SIP Bytes IN from 10.48.93.18:5060 SIP/2.0 200 OK Via: SIP/2.0/UDP 10.48.93.126;branch=z9hG4bKBroadWorks.-iom24c-10.48.93.18V5060-0-929269663-1018158145-1674748301117- From: <sip:+15403362011@10.48.93.126;user=phone>;tag=1018158145-1674748301117- To: <sip:ivr@10.48.93.18>;tag=213817675 Call-ID: BW165141117260123-861893333@10.48.93.126 CSeq: 929269663 INVITE Contact: <sip:10.48.93.18:5060> Content-Type: application/sdp Allow: INVITE, ACK, BYE, INFO, OPTIONS, CANCEL Content-Length: 205 v=0 o=BroadWks 20 0 IN IP4 10.48.93.18 s=Media Server SDP t=0 0 m=audio 10234 RTP/AVP 8 102 c=IN IP4 10.48.93.18 a=rtpmap:8 PCMA/8000 a=rtpmap:102 telephone-event/8000 a=fmtp:102 0-15 a=ptime:20
```

AS extends 200 OK message to the softphone:

```
2023.01.26 16:51:41:132 CET | Info | Sip | Sip EncodeQ 1 | 2966146 | +15403362011 | callhalf-58591:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 864 SIP Bytes OUT to 10.61.205.219:58300 SIP/2.0 200 OK Via:SIP/2.0/UDP
```

```
10.61.205.219:58300;branch=z9hG4bKPjgINPvPUvoBT57iTOBPsgCfEqE5GXlaj7;rport From:"Marek
Leus"<sip:5403362011@mleus.lab>;tag=6fU.VlLrWc6WI3JU8jWKS.25yeoWEhpc
To:<sip:2010@mleus.lab>;tag=749498253-1674748301131 Call-ID:dTUVBWON9UjmftpGCOoJzhLfbajBm11C
CSeq:6492 INVITE Supported: Contact:<sip:10.48.93.126:5060> P-Asserted-Identity:"GroupB1
AA"<sip:2010@10.48.93.126:user=phone> Privacy:none Call-Info:<sip:10.48.93.126>;appearance-
index=1 Allow:ACK,BYE,CANCEL,INFO,INVITE,OPTIONS,PRACK,REFER,NOTIFY,UPDATE
Accept:application/media_control+xml,application/sdp,multipart/mixed Content-
Type:application/sdp Content-Length:195 v=0 o=BroadWorks 14606 1 IN IP4 10.48.93.18 s=- t=0 0
m=audio 10234 RTP/AVP 8 102 c=IN IP4 10.48.93.18 a=rtpmap:8 PCMA/8000 a=rtpmap:102 telephone-
event/8000 a=fmtp:102 0-15 a=ptime:20
```

At this point, direct two way audio stream is established between softphone and MS; G711a codec and inbound DTMF are negotiated for this call. SIP signalling is still handled by AS.

AS instructs MS to play default Auto Attendant greetings (AAdefaultBusinessHoursGreeting.wav) and to collect digits (only digits from 0 to 5 are allowed as per Auto Attendant menu configuration):

```
2023.01.26 16:51:41:248 CET | Info | Sip | Sip EncodeQ 0 | 2966172 | +15403362010 | callhalf-
58599:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 934 SIP Bytes OUT to 10.48.93.18:5060 INFO
sip:10.48.93.18:5060 SIP/2.0 Via:SIP/2.0/UDP 10.48.93.126;branch=z9hG4bKBroadWorks.-iom24c-
10.48.93.18V5060-0-929269664-1018158145-1674748301117-
From:<sip:+15403362011@10.48.93.126:user=phone>;tag=1018158145-1674748301117-
To:<sip:ivr@10.48.93.18>;tag=213817675 Call-ID:BW165141117260123-861893333@10.48.93.126
CSeq:929269664 INFO Contact:<sip:10.48.93.126:5060> Max-Forwards:10 Content-
Type:application/mediaservercontrol+xml Content-Length:470 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-
8"?> <MediaServerControl version="1.0-bw"> <request> <playcollect cleardigits="no" escapekey=""
firstdigittimer="10000" interdigittimer="2000" returnkey=""> <prompt> <audio
url="https://10.48.93.126/media/en/AAdefaultBusinessHoursGreeting.wav"/> </prompt> <regex
type="mgcpdigitmap" value="(0|1|2|3|4|5)"/> </playcollect> </request> </MediaServerControl>
```

During greetings, user presses digit **5**. It is transmitted within audio stream, so MS extracts digit from audio and sends it to AS in Info message:

```
2023.01.26 16:51:43:878 CET | Info | SipMedia | Call Half Input Adapter 2 | 2966183 |
+15403362010 | callhalf-58599:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 703 SIP Bytes IN from
10.48.93.18:5060 INFO sip:10.48.93.126:5060 SIP/2.0 Via: SIP/2.0/UDP
10.48.93.18:5060;branch=z9hG4bK-BroadWorks-MS-325794538 From:
<sip:ivr@10.48.93.18>;tag=213817675 To:
<sip:+15403362011@10.48.93.126:user=phone>;tag=1018158145-1674748301117- Call-ID:
BW165141117260123-861893333@10.48.93.126 CSeq: 2037464779 INFO Content-Type:
application/mediaservercontrol+xml Max-Forwards: 70 Content-Length: 305 <?xml version="1.0"
encoding="utf-8"?> <MediaServerControl version="1.0"> <response request="playcollect" code="200"
text="OK" reason="match" digits="5" playduration="2620" /> </MediaServerControl>
```

Auto Attendant is configured to disconnect call when digit **5** is received. In order to make it more user friendly, it instructs MS to play "Thank you for calling" message first:

```
2023.01.26 16:51:43:880 CET | Info | Sip | Sip EncodeQ 0 | 2966197 | +15403362010 | callhalf-
58599:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 712 SIP Bytes OUT to 10.48.93.18:5060 INFO
sip:10.48.93.18:5060 SIP/2.0 Via:SIP/2.0/UDP 10.48.93.126;branch=z9hG4bKBroadWorks.-iom24c-
10.48.93.18V5060-0-929269665-1018158145-1674748301117-
From:<sip:+15403362011@10.48.93.126:user=phone>;tag=1018158145-1674748301117-
To:<sip:ivr@10.48.93.18>;tag=213817675 Call-ID:BW165141117260123-861893333@10.48.93.126
CSeq:929269665 INFO Contact:<sip:10.48.93.126:5060> Max-Forwards:10 Content-
Type:application/mediaservercontrol+xml Content-Length:248 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-
8"?> <MediaServerControl version="1.0-bw"> <request> <play> <prompt> <audio
url="https://10.48.93.126/media/en/ThankYouForCalling.wav"/> </prompt> </play> </request>
</MediaServerControl>
```

MS informs AS that announcement playback is completed:

2023.01.26 16:51:45:294 CET | Info | SipMedia | Call Half Input Adapter 2 | 2966207 | +15403362010 | callhalf-58599:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 632 SIP Bytes IN from 10.48.93.18:5060 INFO sip:10.48.93.126:5060 SIP/2.0 Via: SIP/2.0/UDP 10.48.93.18:5060;branch=z9hG4bK-BroadWorks-MS-30863660 From: <sip:ivr@10.48.93.18>;tag=213817675 To: <sip:+15403362011@10.48.93.126;user=phone>;tag=1018158145-1674748301117- Call-ID: BW165141117260123-8618933333@10.48.93.126 CSeq: 2037464780 INFO Content-Type: application/mediaservercontrol+xml Max-Forwards: 70 Content-Length: 235 <?xml version="1.0" encoding="utf-8"?> <MediaServerControl version="1.0"> <response request="play" code="200" text="OK" reason="EOF" /> </MediaServerControl>

**When playback is completed, AS disconnects both call legs:**

2023.01.26 16:51:45:296 CET | Info | Sip | Sip EncodeQ 0 | 2966228 | +15403362010 | callhalf-58599:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 378 SIP Bytes OUT to 10.48.93.18:5060 BYE sip:10.48.93.18:5060 SIP/2.0 Via:SIP/2.0/UDP 10.48.93.126;branch=z9hG4bKBroadWorks.-iom24c-10.48.93.18V5060-0-929269666-1018158145-1674748301117- From:<sip:+15403362011@10.48.93.126;user=phone>;tag=1018158145-1674748301117- To:<sip:ivr@10.48.93.18>;tag=213817675 Call-ID:BW165141117260123-8618933333@10.48.93.126 CSeq:929269666 BYE Max-Forwards:10 Content-Length:0 2023.01.26 16:51:45:297 CET | Info | Sip | Sip EncodeQ 1 | 2966238 | +15403362011 | callhalf-58591:0 | 7492cbd3-b8a1-4c10-a543-b01f275be0b0 udp 404 SIP Bytes OUT to 10.61.205.219:58300 BYE sip:5403362011@10.61.205.219:58300;ob SIP/2.0 Via:SIP/2.0/UDP 10.48.93.126;branch=z9hG4bKBroadWorks.-iom24c-10.61.205.219V58300-0-929269658-749498253-1674748301131 From:<sip:2010@mleus.lab>;tag=749498253-1674748301131 To:"Marek Leus"<sip:5403362011@mleus.lab>;tag=6fU.VlLrWc6WI3JU8jWKS.25yeoWEhpc Call-ID:dTUVBWON9UjmfGpGCooJzLfbajBm11C CSeq:929269658 BYE Max-Forwards:10 Content-Length:0