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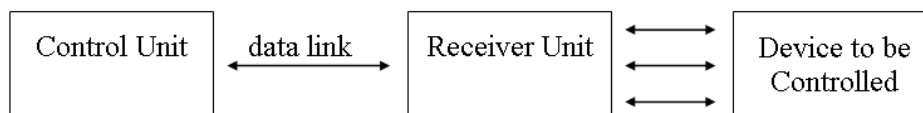
## 1. DESCRIPTION

This document defines an “open” interface protocol and the functions that are available between a control unit and a remote device. The control unit is a device capable of synthesizing a string of ASCII characters, as documented in the protocol, and can be a Display Control Unit (DCU), a Tactical Automated Security System (TASS) Desktop/Laptop Annunciator (DLA), or other device capable of meeting the requirements.

The remote device consists of a receiver circuit or unit and a device to be controlled. The receiver translates the received message string of ASCII characters into the appropriate commands/signals for the device. The device to be controlled can be a pan/tilt mount (PTM), a closed-circuit television (CCTV) camera, a thermal imaging camera, a combination of a PTM and one or more cameras, a digital signal processor (DSP) board, or some auxiliary device located with the PTH or camera.

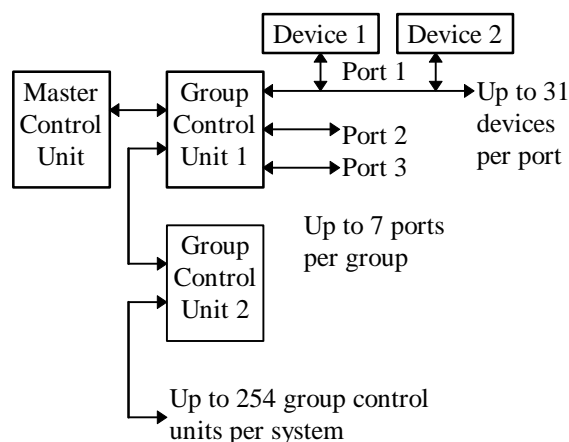
The interface protocol defines the process of sending and receiving messages to control functions or features over a data link (Figure 1). The data link can be implemented by direct wire connection, RF modem, optical fiber, or virtually any means, providing the link can transmit and receive ASCII characters and supports an EIA-232, EIA-422, or EIA-485 electrical interface at each end of the link.

The data link is the bridge between the control unit and the receiver at the device to be controlled. The command messages and responses that are transmitted between the control unit and the receiver of the device to be controlled are specified in Sections 3 and 4.



**Figure 1. Basic Data Link Block Diagram**

Multiple devices, group control units, and a single master control unit can be connected to the serial data control network defined in this document. Figure 2 shows a block diagram for the expanded system. In this configuration, up to 31 devices can be connected to a single “port” on a group control unit. Each group control unit can have up to seven ports. Up to 254 group control units can be connected in a cascade manner. One master control unit is allowed in the system for connecting to group control units or directly to the devices to be controlled.



**Figure 2. Block Diagram of Expanded System**

## 2. GENERAL FUNCTIONS

The general functions included in the protocol consist of control functions for a pan/tilt mount (PTM), a CCTV camera, a thermal imaging camera, a digital signal processing (DSP) device, or any combination of devices. The protocol includes messages to control three auxiliary devices (relays) and return status to the control unit.

The capability to send and receive large data blocks is also included. Though the format and response for this type of message is usually device specific, a provision is included to have variable-length data block messages. Examples of uses for extended messages include transmission of digitized images and downloading new DSP software to reprogram functionality.

## 3. PROTOCOL DEFINITION

### 3.1. Electrical Standards, Signal Formats, and Data Rates

- 3.1.1. The electrical interface shall be implemented using either Electronic Industries Association (EIA) standard EIA-232, EIA-422, or EIA-485.
- 3.1.2. The bits per second (bps) rate shall be one or more of the following: 1200, 2400, 4800, 9600, 19200, 38400, 57600 or 115200 bps. It is specified by a single ASCII character, some characters are reserved, others are not used. For some applications, the rate may be different.
- 3.1.3. Devices are not required to communicate at all data rates but must operate at the default rate and format (start, stop & data bits).
- 3.1.4. The default data rate shall be 1200 bits per second (bps) with one start bit, eight data bits, one stop bit, and no parity.

- 3.1.5. The control unit may query the receivers to determine maximum data rate for all devices on the link.
- 3.1.6. The control unit may send commands to receivers to change data communication parameters to match other devices on the link.
- 3.1.7. The data rate may be automatically configured with an "autorate" character in the command message. The autorate selection process shall be as outlined in Section 3.2. below.

## 3.2. Automatic Data Rate Selection

- 3.2.1. The process for automatically sensing the data rate can be implemented by measuring the width (in time) of the first pulse of the F8<sub>H</sub> data byte.
- 3.2.2. For EIA-232 signals, the first bit (the start bit) is a logic zero or positive voltage.
- 3.2.3. The F8<sub>H</sub> byte is transmitted least significant bit (LSB) first, providing three more logic-zero bits (three positive-voltage bits for EIA-232), for a total of four positive-voltage bits before the signal line goes to a negative voltage to transmit the remaining bits of the F8<sub>H</sub> byte.
- 3.2.4. The bit rate can be calculated from the time duration of this initial pulse.
- 3.2.5. For EIA-422 or EIA-485, the same procedure will provide the bit rate.
- 3.2.6. In the event there is insufficient hardware to automatically sense and set the data rate, a process can be used to query each device to determine its maximum data rate, then set the link to operate at a rate compatible with all devices on that link.

## 3.3. Command Message Format

- 3.3.1. The first byte of a message is always the F8H character. See Table 2.
- 3.3.2. The second byte of a message is the address of the specific device for which the message is intended. The factory default device addresses are shown in Table 1.
  - 3.3.2.1. The most significant 3 bits of the address byte are the port number within the receiver unit. There is a limit of 7 ports per receiver, and port numbers can range from one to 7. Communication from the DLA to the imaging system is simplified. The port number will always be a static value. The port number from the DLA can be ignored.
  - 3.3.2.2. The least significant 5 bits of the address byte are the address of the particular device within the port. There is a limit of 31 devices per port, and device numbers can range from one to 31. Communication from the DLA to the imaging system is simplified. The DLA will use a single address for all devices within the unit. If a unit consists of a



Thermal Imager, CCTV Camera, Pan/Tilt Mount and LRF, the DLA will use a single address to communicate with all devices.

For imaging systems that support two video sources (Thermal Imager and CCTV camera) an “active” device concept is used. To query specific settings from a Thermal Imager or CCTV Camera, the DLA will set the particular imager or camera as the active device and then query the imager/camera settings. Button commands are used to select the active device and the latch status report provides which device is currently active.

ADDRESS	DEVICE
0	reserved
1	Thermal Imager
2	Digital Signal Processor
3	Pan/Tilt Unit
4	Compass
5	Visible (CCTV) Camera
6	Not yet defined
7	Not yet defined

**Table 1. Factory Default Device Addresses**

- 3.3.2.3. Address 00<sub>H</sub> is reserved for the “wild card” addressing of any and all devices connected to the data link.
- 3.3.2.4. Addresses 01<sub>H</sub> to 1E<sub>H</sub> (port number equal to 0 and device addresses from one to 30) are presently undefined.
- 3.3.2.5. Address 1F<sub>H</sub> is reserved for the master control unit.
- 3.3.2.6. Addresses with the port number specified and the device bits set to 0 are reserved for a DCU or other type of receiver unit that communicates with or controls multiple devices.
- 3.3.3. The third byte is an asterisk (\*) (2A<sub>H</sub>, 42<sub>10</sub>).
- 3.3.4. The fourth byte of a message is the group address of the specific DCU or receiver which connects to the device for which the message is intended. Communication from the DLA to the imaging system is simplified. The group number will always be a static value. The group number from the DLA can be ignored.
- 3.3.4.1. The first group address is always one.
- 3.3.4.2. There is a limit of 254 groups per system, and group addresses can range from one to 254.
- 3.3.4.3. Group address 00<sub>H</sub> is reserved for the “wild card” addressing of any and all DCUs or other receivers connected to the data link.
- 3.3.4.4. Group address FF<sub>H</sub> is reserved for the group address of the master control unit.
- 3.3.5. The fifth byte shall be the address of the source of the message. This will allow messages to be sent to other devices.
- 3.3.6. The sixth byte shall be the length of the command string, in bytes, not including the addressing bytes and checksum byte. This will allow the receiver to accurately check message length.
- 3.3.7. Devices shall ignore messages not containing their address.

- 3.3.8. If a message addressed to a device contains an invalid, unrecognized, or non-applicable command, the addressed device shall respond with a NAK to alert the sender that this is an invalid message.
- 3.3.9. This protocol allows messages to be sent between devices and response messages can be sent to other devices, not just the master control unit.
- 3.3.10. The command data shall be sent as the ASCII codes for the characters shown in the tables. Commands consist of 2-byte pairs (2 ASCII characters) and extended messages (greater than 2 bytes).
- 3.3.11. A checksum will be transmitted with every command message.
- 3.3.12. The checksum shall be calculated as the EXCLUSIVE-OR of the least significant nibble of all bytes of the command message except for the first byte (“autorate” character) and the last byte (checksum), as shown in Table 2. The least significant nibble of the checksum is all that shall be used. The most significant bit of the checksum byte will be set to one.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
0	F8 <sub>H</sub>	Autorate character
1	Address in hex	Message destination address
2	*	Asterisk character (2A <sub>H</sub> )
3	Group address	Address of group control unit
4	Address in hex	Message source address
5	Length	Length in bytes of command data, does not include bytes 0 through 5 and the checksum byte.
6 to 6 + length-1	Command data	See tables in following sections.
6 + length	Checksum	80 <sub>H</sub> - 8F <sub>H</sub> NOTE: Checksum + 80 <sub>H</sub>

**Table 2. Command Message Format**

### **3.4. Command Message Acknowledgment**

- 3.4.1. Every command shall be responded to with a single ACK character (06<sub>H</sub>, 6<sub>10</sub>) or a single NAK character (15<sub>H</sub>, 21<sub>10</sub>) as command data at the transmitted bit rate. ACK/NAK messages have the format shown in Table 2.
- 3.4.2. Each command will be ACKed or NAKed before another command can be sent.
- 3.4.3. If the calculated checksum is the same as the transmitted checksum, an ACK message is sent back.
- 3.4.4. If the calculated checksum is not the same as the transmitted checksum, a NAK message is sent back.

3.4.5. If a message is NAKed 3 times, it is discarded.

- 3.4.6. If no ACK or NAK is received within a "time-out" period, the message is re-transmitted. The message will be transmitted a total of 3 times.
- 3.4.7. The time-out period shall be short, typically equal to 3 character times plus 5 milliseconds. For a 9600 bps link, this is approximately 8 milliseconds. Special provisions may be made for RF modem links, where the control unit transmitter and the receiver unit transmitter share the same frequency.
- 3.4.8. If no ACK or NAK is received after the third transmission of a message, the command error message will be sent. See Table 32 for the communication error response message format.
- 3.4.9. Also if no ACK or NAK is received after the third transmission of a message, the data link shall revert to the default data rate and try to reestablish the data link at that speed.

### **3.5. Response Message Format**

- 3.5.1. If the command requires an extended response, one response will be sent.
- 3.5.2. If the command requires a response, the response is sent following the ACK. A time delay may be inserted between the ACK and the response message.
- 3.5.3. The response format will be the same as the command format in Table 2.
- 3.5.4. The device address will be used for the source address in the response.
- 3.5.5. See Section 5 for device-specific response messages.

### **3.6. Control Receiver and General Device Control Commands**

- 3.6.1. The receiver circuit or unit may be integrated into the remote device to be controlled or may be a separate device. It shall respond to receiver commands as defined in Table 3.
- 3.6.2. The remote device receiver shall execute a reset operation upon receipt of a reset command.
- 3.6.3. The remote device receivers shall respond to query group message. The group address specified shall be the "wild-card" address. The response message shall consist of all valid group addresses.
- 3.6.4. All receivers shall respond to a device query. The response message shall consist of the valid device addresses for the receiver.
- 3.6.5. All devices, if applicable, shall respond to a message requesting an acknowledge. This is also known as an "awake?" query, or "ping".
- 3.6.6. All devices, if applicable, shall respond to a state-of-health request. The specific response from each remote device may be device dependent.

- 3.6.7. All devices, if applicable, shall respond to an ID request message. The response message shall identify the unit by transmitting a block of information.
- 3.6.8. All devices, if applicable, shall respond to a maximum data rate query. The response message shall specify the highest data rate (bits per second) at which the device can communicate.
- 3.6.9. The control unit shall be able to specify to the devices the data rate, number of stop bits, number of data bits, and parity at which it will communicate.
- 3.6.10. The control unit shall be able to turn the device power on and off.
- 3.6.11. If configured to do so, the remote device receiver shall pass extended messages to the device.
- 3.6.12. If configured to do so, the remote device receiver shall pass a binary data block to the device.
- 3.6.13. The control unit shall be able to put remote devices in test mode. This function may be device dependent.

### **3.7. Changing Device Addresses**

- 3.7.1. The device ID may be programmable over the data link.
- 3.7.2. A single device can be connected to a control unit and the “#n” message transmitted using wild-card addressing to set the device ID to a new address, where “#” is character 23<sub>H</sub> or 35<sub>10</sub>, and “n” is the new device ID number in accordance with Section 3.3.2. above.
- 3.7.3. The group ID may be programmable over the data link.
- 3.7.4. A single group can be connected and the “Gn” message transmitted using wild card addressing to set the group address to a new address, where “n” is the new group address number in accordance with Section 3.3.4. above.

DESCRIPTION	DATA	COMMENTS
Reset Receiver	RS	No response required
Request awake status (ping)	AW	ACK (1-byte) response
Request State of Health	SH	Response is device dependent
Request ID Information	I?	See Table 22 for response format
Query Groups	G?	See Table 24 for response format
Query Devices in a Group	D?	See Table 25 for response format
Set Group ID	Gn	n = new group address See Section 3.3.4. for format explanation
Set Device ID	#n	n = new device address, see Section 3.3.2. for format explanation
Request Maximum Data Rate	B?	See Table 23 for response format
Set Communication Parameters	C	See Table 4 for format explanation
Turn Device Power On	PN	No response required
Turn Device Power Off	PF	No response required
Toggle Device Power On/Off	LP	See Table 26 for response format
Enable Test Mode for Device	TM	Response is device specific
Disable Test Mode for Device	TF	Response is device specific
Binary Message to Device	Xn	See Table 13 for format explanation (n is number of binary bytes)
Extended Message to Device	EM	See Table 14 for format explanation

**Table 3. Control Receiver and General Device Control Commands**

### 3.8. 24-bit Azimuth and Elevation Data

- 3.8.1. Advances in Thermal Imagery have made the 12-bit addressing, for communicating azimuth and elevation, described in ICD revisions ‘A’ through ‘J’ of this ICD insufficient. This section describes extensions to the ICD to allow 24-bit addresses to be communicated using expanded commands and in a manner similar to previous ICDs.
- 3.8.2. There are no changes to the 12-bit control commands for azimuth, elevation file compression, zoom, focus, brightness, or contract control.
- 3.8.3. All 12-bit control commands and reports (for legacy and/or low resolution devices) SHALL be supported by ALL devices.
- 3.8.4 *All devices that support the new 24-bit azimuth and elevation commands/reports SHALL also support all 12-bit azimuth and elevation commands/reports, this is critical for legacy devices. It is suggested that control devices that support the new 24-bit control commands/reports send a 24-bit position request as the first command to each attached Pan/Tilt device, and if there is no reply use 12-bit positioning for subsequent control commands to that device.*

- 3.8.5. In both cases (12-bit or 24-bit control or report) the position values may not represent the absolute position. The mapping of the 12-bit and 24-bit position values to absolute pan or tilt position angles is device dependent. However, it is suggested that the Pan values increase smoothly from zero (0) to FFF<sub>H</sub> (and FFFFFFF<sub>H</sub> for 24-bit) and represent the range from 0 to 360 degrees; and that Tilt values increase smoothly from 800<sub>H</sub> to 7FF<sub>H</sub> (and 800000<sub>H</sub> to 7FFFFFF<sub>H</sub> for 24-bit) and represent the range from -180 to +180 degrees.
- 3.8.6. For the expanded 24-bit encoding, the use of six byte azimuth and elevation data (e.g., a5a4a3a2a1a0, e5e4e3e2e1e0, etc.) will be handled in a manner similar to the 12-bit encoded messages, and will be flagged by the first command bytes (i.e., bytes 6, or 6&7) of the message.
- 3.8.7. Similar to 12-bit, the six byte azimuth and elevation data (e.g., a5a4a3a2a1a0, e5e4e3e2e1e0, etc.) in these commands will represent successive nibbles of the 24-bit field; 'a5' being the Most Significant (MS) bits 20-23, 'a4' being bits 16-19, 'a3' being bits 12-15, 'a2' being bits 11-8, 'a1' being bits 7-4, and 'a0' being bits 3-0. Each nibble shall be written as the ASCII character representing it's value, '1111' => "F" (ASCII 46<sub>H</sub>) and '0000' => "0" (ASCII 30<sub>H</sub>).
- 3.8.8. Note the previous ICDs used notation "+ 41<sub>H</sub>" to signify the offset for conversion of values 1010<sub>B</sub> => ASCII "A", 1011<sub>B</sub> => "B", etc.; this ICD uses "+ 37<sub>H</sub>".

## 4. DEVICE-SPECIFIC COMMANDS

### 4.1. Camera and General Lens Control Commands

- 4.1.1. The control unit shall be able to command the camera to focus near and far.
- 4.1.2. The control unit shall be able to open and close the lens iris or aperture.
- 4.1.3. The control unit shall be able to command the camera to zoom in and out.
- 4.1.4. The control unit shall be able to command the camera lens to a specific zoom and focus position. One representation of position information is using up to a 12-bit resolution, each represented by three hexadecimal characters (for example, 1BF<sub>H</sub>). See Table 6a for the position format. The other representation of position information is represented by a six character degree value (for example, "102.35") for the zoom position and a focus position represented by a 12-bit resolution, represented by three hexadecimal characters (for example, 1BF<sub>H</sub>). See Table 6b for this position format. If the degree value is supported for the TI, it should also be implemented for the CCTV.
- 4.1.5. The control unit shall be able to read status from the camera. The status



shall consist of zoom and focus information.

- 4.1.6. The control unit shall be able to allow the camera to be manually focused.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	C	C = communications parameters command
7	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8...F All other characters	ASCII 0 = 1200 bits per second ASCII 1 = 2400 bits per second ASCII 2 = 4800 bits per second ASCII 3 = 9600 bits per second ASCII 4 = 19,200 bits per second ASCII 5 = 38,400 bits per second ASCII 6 = 57,600 bits per second ASCII 7 = 115,200 bits per second Reserved for future data rates Unused and not reserved
8	7 8	ASCII 7 = 7 data bits ASCII 8 = 8 data bits
9	1 2	ASCII 1 = 1 stop bit ASCII 2 = 2 stop bits
10	n e o s	n = no parity e = even parity o = odd parity s = space parity

**Table 4. Set Communications Parameters Command**

- 4.1.7. The control unit shall be able to set the camera lens speed.
- 4.1.8. The control unit shall be able to change the color balance of the image from the camera.
- 4.1.9. The camera and general lens control commands are shown in Table 5.

Note: Three messages are included in this protocol to “toggle” specific settings. An automatic response is generated by these three messages according to the format in Table 21.

DESCRIPTION	DATA	COMMENTS
Focus Near	FN	Must send FS to stop focusing
Focus Far	FF	Must send FS to stop focusing
Focus Stop	FS	No response required
Iris/Aperture Open	IO	Must send IS to stop opening iris
Iris/Aperture Close	IC	Must send IS to stop closing iris
Iris/Aperture Stop	IS	No response required
Zoom In	ZI	Must send ZS to stop zooming in
Zoom Out	ZO	Must send ZS to stop zooming out
Zoom Stop	ZS	No response required
Set Auto Iris Mode	LA	No response required
Set Manual Iris Mode	LB	No response required
Toggle Auto/Manual Iris	LM	See Table 26 for response format
Set Lens Speed Slow	LO	No response required
Set Lens Speed Fast	LT	No response required
Toggle Lens Speed Slow/Fast	LL	See Table 26 for response format
Latch/Status Request	L?	See Table 26 for response format
Color Balance	L1 B1 B2 B0	Select auto/manual mode Increase Blue Increase Red Increase Stop
Lens Position Request	V?	See Table 27a for response format
Lens Go-To Command	vz2z1z0f2f1f0	See Table 6a for format explanation
Lens Setting Request	Z?	See Table 27b for response format
Lens Setting Go-To Command	zd5d4d3d2d1d0f2f1f0	See Table 6b for format explanation

**Table 5. Camera and General Lens Control Commands**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	v	v = go-to command
7	z2 (MS nibble)	Zoom position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
	z1	Bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
9	z0 (LS nibble)	Bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	f2 (MS nibble)	Focus position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	f1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	f0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 6a. Camera Lens Setting Message**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	z	z = go-to command
7	d5 (MS nibble)	Zoom position, hundreds + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
8	d4	Zoom position, tens + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
9	d3	Zoom position, ones + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
10	d2	Always a “.” <u>Some vendors have implemented this message with this byte removed (see section 6.2.4).</u>
11	d1	Zoom position, tenths + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
12	d0 (LS nibble)	Zoom position, hundreths + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
13	f2 (MS nibble)	Focus position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	f1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	f0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 6b. Camera Lens Setting Message By Degrees**

## **4.2. Thermal Imager-Specific Commands**

- 4.2.1. The control unit shall enable/disable automatic contrast and brightness (gain and level) control. If disabled, the thermal imager shall be in manual contrast and brightness mode.
- 4.2.2. The control unit shall be able to set the brightness (level) of the imagery with up to 12-bit resolution, represented by three hexadecimal ASCII characters. See Table 8 for the format.
- 4.2.3. The control unit shall be able to adjust the contrast (gain) of the imagery with up to 12-bit resolution, represented by three hexadecimal ASCII characters. See Table 8 for the format.
- 4.2.4. The control unit shall be able to set the field of view as described below.
- 4.2.5. The control unit shall be able to set the polarity to black or white hot.
- 4.2.6. The control unit shall be able to change the imager lens focus.
- 4.2.7. The control unit shall be able to control the imager shutter (if applicable).
- 4.2.8. The control unit shall be able to turn on/off or change the reticule/graticule overlay on the display (if applicable).
- 4.2.9. The control unit shall be able to read status from the imager. The status shall consist of contrast, brightness, and other status information.
- 4.2.10. The imager command format is shown in Table 7.

Note: Several commands, such as focus in/out/stop, zoom in/out/stop, and power on/off are listed in Sections 3.6. and 4.1. but can be used for thermal imaging devices as well.

DESCRIPTION	DATA	COMMENTS
Set Brightness (Level) value	bv2v1v0	See Table 8 for format explanation
Set Contrast (Gain) value	gv2v1v0	See Table 8 for format explanation
Set Narrow Field-of-View	LN	No response returned
Set Wide Field-of-View	LW	No response returned
Set Medium Field-of-View	LN0 – LN3	Set to one of up to four (4) medium fields of view from narrow to wide.
Set Polarity Black = Hot	HB	No response returned
Set Polarity White = Hot	HW	No response returned
Manual Contrast/Brightness Mode	IM	No response returned
Auto Contrast/Brightness Mode	IA	No response returned
Insert Shutter	SI	No response returned
Remove Shutter	SR	No response returned
Reticule/Graticule Off	R0	No response returned
Reticule Select 1-9	R1..R9	No response returned
Request Imager Status	S?	See Table 28 for response format

**Table 7. Imager-Specific Commands**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	g or b	g = contrast status, b = brightness status
7	v2 (MS nibble)	Contrast or brightness value, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
8	v1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
9	v0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 8. Imager Contrast and Brightness Message Format**

### 4.3. Pan/Tilt Mount Commands

- 4.3.1. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to program a preset position.
- 4.3.2. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to move to a preset position.
- 4.3.3. The control unit shall request status relating to the preset positions.
- 4.3.4. The minimum number of preset positions shall be ten.
- 4.3.5. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to pan left.
- 4.3.6. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to pan right.
- 4.3.7. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to stop panning.

- 4.3.8. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to move to a specific position, determined by two 12-bit (or 24-bit) values (azimuth and elevation), each represented by three (or six) hexadecimal ASCII characters. See Table 10a (and 10b for 24-bit) for the format, and section 3.8 for a general discussion of encoding/decoding 24-bit values. If the 24-bit values for azimuth and elevation are implemented then all 24-bit based values defined in this ICD must be implemented as well.
- 4.3.9. The position values may not represent the absolute position. The mapping of the 12-bit (and 24-bit) position values to absolute pan or tilt position angles is device dependent. If the 24-bit position are implemented then all 24-bit based values defined in this ICD must be implemented as well.
- 4.3.10. The control unit shall request position status from the pan/tilt mount. The position status data shall be formatted as two 12-bit (or 24-bit) values, represented by three (or six) hexadecimal ASCII characters for both azimuth and elevation. The format is shown in Table 29a (and 29b for 24-bit), and the 24-bit extension is fully described in section 3.8. If the 24-bit values for azimuth and elevation are implemented then all 24-bit based values defined in this ICD must be implemented as well.
- 4.3.11. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to tilt down.
- 4.3.12. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to tilt up.
- 4.3.13. The control unit shall specify the pan/tilt mount to stop tilting.
- 4.3.14. The control unit shall specify the operation of the auxiliary outputs on the pan/tilt mount.
- 4.3.15. The control unit shall request status of the auxiliary outputs.
- 4.3.16. The number of auxiliary outputs defined by this standard is three.
- 4.3.17. The control unit shall specify the pan speed for manual moves. For some applications, this may be combined with the tilt speed command.
- 4.3.18. The control unit shall specify the tilt speed for manual moves.
- 4.3.19. The control unit shall specify the speed for auto-moves.
- 4.3.20. The speed range for manual and automatic moves shall be 0...15, where 0 may be the slowest speed or a time-dependent proportional rate, and 15 is the maximum speed for that type of move (manual or automatic).
- 4.3.21. The control unit shall command the pan/tilt mount to begin an automatic scanning sequence. The preset positions to be used as the end points of the auto-scan motion are PA and PB.
- 4.3.22. PA is the left preset and PB is the right preset with reference to the camera's point of view. The auto scan then moves between these left and right positions.
- 4.3.23. The control unit shall command the pan/tilt mount to recalibrate (RC) or reinitialize (if required). A message shall be returned indicating

recalibration is active (HA). A secondary message shall be returned indicating recalibration is complete (HC), or there was a recalibration error (HE).

4.3.24. The pan/tilt command format is shown in Table 9.

DESCRIPTION	DATA	COMMENTS
Pan Left	PL	At constant speed, must send PS to stop
Pan Right	PR	At constant speed, must send PS to stop
Pan Stop	PS	No response required
Tilt Up	TU	At constant speed, must send TS to stop
Tilt Down	TD	At constant speed, must send TS to stop
Tilt Stop	TS	No response required
Set Speed for Pan (and Optional Tilt) Manual Moves (User-defined default rate)	S0...SF	0 = slow/proportional, F = maximum NOTE: Two-byte message format No response required
Set Speed for Tilt Manual Moves (User-defined default rate)	E0...EF	0 = slow/proportional, F = maximum NOTE: Two-byte message format No response required
Set Auto-Move Speed	A0-AF	0 = slowest, F = maximum <u>No response required. “AC” and “AD” commands also used for Range Finder Protected Area Control and Protected Area Definition commands respectively. Use message size to distinguish between those commands and the Auto-Move Speed.</u>
Recalibrate	RC	See Table 30 for response format
Latch (Auxiliary Relay) Toggle	L1-L3	Toggles Aux1, Aux2, or Aux3 latches See Table 26 for response format
Set Latch 1	l1	No response required
Set Latch 2	l2	No response required
Set Latch 3	l3	No response required
Reset (clear) Latch 1	r1	No response required
Reset (clear) Latch 2	r2	No response required
Reset (clear) Latch 3	r3	No response required
Latch (Auxiliary Relay) Status Request	L?	See Table 26 for response format
Go to a Preset or “Home” Position	H0-H9	See Table 30 for response format
Store Preset Position	P0-P9	No response required
Store Auto-Scan Position A	PA	No response required
Store Auto-Scan Position B	PB	No response required
Preset Position Status Request	H?	See Table 30 for response format
Pan/Tilt Position Request	P?	See Table 29a for response format



Pan/Tilt Go-To Command	<i>pa2a1a0e2e1e0</i>	See Table 10a for format explanation
24-bit Pan/Tilt Position Request	K?	See Table 29b for response format
24-bit Pan/Tilt Go-To Command	<i>ka5a4a3a2a1a0e5e4e3e2e1e0</i>	See Table 10b for format explanation
Begin Auto-Scan Mode	AS	Auto-scans between positions PA and PB. Use PS or TS to stop.

**Table 9. Pan/Tilt Mount Commands**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	p	p = go-to position command
7	a2 (MS nibble)	Azimuth (pan) position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
8	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
9	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	e2 (MS nibble)	Elevation (tilt) position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	e1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	e0	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 10a. Pan/Tilt Mount Go To Command Message Format**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	k	k = go-to 24-bit position command
7	a5 (MS nibble)	Azimuth (pan) position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
8	a4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
9	a3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	a2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	e5 (MS nibble)	Elevation (tilt) position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	e4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	e3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
16	e2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
17	e1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
18	e0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 10b. 24-bit Pan/Tilt Mount Go To Command Message Format**

## 4.4. Digital Signal Processor Commands

- 4.4.1. The control unit shall be able to set the compression level and/or quality factor for video compression in the DSP as a 12-bit value represented as three ASCII characters. See Table 12 for the format.
- 4.4.2. The control unit shall be able to download new information into the DSP. Information could consist of DSP software and/or templates for image recognition or object identification.

- 4.4.3. The control unit shall be able to command the DSP to grab a video frame.
- 4.4.4. The control unit shall be able to command the DSP to compress a video frame.
- 4.4.5. The control unit shall be able to command the DSP to send back a video frame.
- 4.4.6. The control unit shall be able to command the DSP to grab, compress using the current compression level and send back a video frame.
- 4.4.7. The control unit shall be able to command the DSP to detect a change in the video scene and then to grab, compress using the current compression level and send back a video frame.
- 4.4.8. The control unit shall be able to command the DSP to begin an image recognition action.
- 4.4.9. The control unit shall be able to turn the DSP power on and off.
- 4.4.10. The control unit shall be able to put the DSP into a low power consumption or sleep state.
- 4.4.11. The DSP command format is shown in Table 11.

DESCRIPTION	DATA	COMMENTS
Set Compression Level	DCa2a1a0	See Table 12 for format explanation
Set Quality Factor	DQa2a1a0	See Table 12 for format explanation
Download	EM	See Table 14 for format
Grab Image	DG	No response required
Compress Image	DP	Uses the last DC or DQ value
Send Image	DS	See Table 14 for format
Detect change, Grab & Send	DI	See Table 14 for format (Uses the last DC or DQ value to compress)
Grab & Send	DH	See Table 14 for response format (Uses the last DC or DQ value to compress)
Image Recognition	DR	See Table 12 for response format Note: Same as send format.
DSP Low Power Sleep	LS	No response required.

**Table 11. Digital Signal Processor Commands**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	D	D = DSP command
7	Q C R	Q = Quality Factor C = Compression Ratio R = Image Recognition (template number returned)
8	a2 (MS nibble)	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

9	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 12. Digital Signal Processor Command Format**

## **4.5. Binary Data Message Command Format**

4.5.1. Table 13 defines the message format for a binary data message.

<b>BYTE</b>	<b>DATA</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
6	X	Binary Data Message Command
7	n (1-255)	Number of binary bytes (255 maximum)
8 to 8+n	Data block	Up to 255 bytes of data

**Table 13. Binary Data Message Command Format**

## 4.6. Extended Message Command Format

- 4.6.1. An extended data message allows the transmission of large data block of various sizes.
- 4.6.2. A two-byte command can be included after the 'EM' command. This two-byte command is not defined and can be device specific.
- 4.6.3. Up to 999 data blocks can be sent, and each data block can be up to 999 bytes.
- 4.6.4. Table 14 defines the format for a message to send large data blocks.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	EM	Extended Message Command
8-9	xx	2 byte command, device specific
10-12	bbb	Three ASCII characters indicating the number of data blocks (001-999)
13-15	sss	Three ASCII characters indicating the size of each block in bytes (001-999)
16 to 16 + (bbb * sss)	Data blocks	

**Table 14. Extended Message Command Format**

## 4.7. Joystick Specific Commands

- 4.7.1. The control unit shall be able to command the pan/tilt mount to move up, down, left, or right based on the position of a joystick control lever.
- 4.7.2. The speed control of the movement shall be controllable over a range of 0-99 discrete speeds. The value of zero (0) indicates stop. The value of 99 indicates maximum speed. The maximum speed is not defined and may be device dependent.
- 4.7.3. Table 15 defines the message format for a joystick control message.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	J	Joystick Control Command
7	L or R	L = move left, R = move right
8	ps1	Pan speed, most significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
9	ps0	Pan speed, least significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
		NOTE: ps1/ps0 = 00 indicates pan stop
10	U or D	U = move up, D = move down
11	ts1	Tilt speed, most significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
12	ts0	Tilt speed, least significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
		NOTE: ts1/ts0 = 00 indicates tilt stop

**Table 15. Joystick Control Command Format**

#### **4.8. Button/Keypad Specific Commands**

- 4.8.1. The control unit shall be able to simulate the pressing/releasing of buttons on a keypad unique to the device being controlled.
- 4.8.2. The button/keypad specific command shall provide 100 unique key codes (0..99) for general purpose keypad input and device control.
- 4.8.3. The control unit shall be able to indicate press or release of the key.
- 4.8.4. Table 16 defines the message format for a button or keypad simulation control message. See paragraph 7 for current key code definitions.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	B	Button Command
7	kc1	Key code most significant digit (0..9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
8	kc0	Key code least significant digit (0..9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
9	P or R	'P' = press, 'R' = release

**Table 16. Button/Keypad Control Message Format**

## 4.9 Range Finder Specific Commands

- 4.9.1. The control unit shall be able to initiate a target range request from a range finder (Table 18). 24-bit range target requests (command 71) and responses must be supported if the 24 bit azimuth and elevation commands (K?, K and k) are supported.
- 4.9.2. The control unit shall be able retrieve target range information (azimuth, elevation, range) from a range finder (Table 18). 24-bit range information requests (command 72) and responses must be supported if the 24 bit azimuth and elevation commands (K?, K and k) are supported.
- 4.9.3. The control unit shall be able to enable or disable the range finder (Table 18).
- 4.9.4. The control unit should be able to initiate a reset for the range finder (Table 18).
- 4.9.5. The control unit should be able to designate up to three protected areas where the range finder will be disabled, and a Min/Max Exclusion Area, within which the range finder will report ranges. A protected area is defined by a lower and upper azimuth, as well as a lower and upper elevation (Table 19a, and 19c) and the Min/Max Exclusion Area is designated by a Min/Max pair in Meters (Table 19b).
- 4.9.6. The control unit shall be able to clear, enable or disable individual or all protected areas (Table 20).
- 4.9.7. The control unit shall be able to query protected area information (Table 21).

DESCRIPTION	DATA	COMMENTS
Range Finder Command	RF	Range finder general commands. See Table 18 for format.
Protected Area and Range Min/Max Definition Command	AD	Range finder protected area definition command. For Protected Area see Table 19a for Azimuth/Elevation format, and for Range Min/Max see Table 19b. <u>The “AD” command is also used for Set Auto-Move Speed. Use message size to distinguish between the commands.</u>
24-bit Protected Area Definition Command	YD	Range finder protected area definition command. See Table 19c for format.
Protected Area Control Command	AC	Range finder protected area control command. See Table 20 for format. <u>The “AC” command is also used for Set Auto-Move Speed. Use message size to</u>

		<u>distinguish between the commands.</u>	
Protected Area Query Command	AQ	Range finder protected area query command. See <u>Table 21</u> for format.	

**Table 17. Range Finder Commands**



BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	RF	Range Finder Command, see Table 33 for response
8-9	xx	<p>Two byte command number:</p> <p>“00” – status request</p> <p>“01” – range target request</p> <p>“02” – range information request</p> <p>“03” – enable range finder</p> <p>“04” – disable range finder</p> <p>“05” – reset range finder</p> <p>“71” – 24-bit range target request</p> <p>“72” – 24-bit range information request</p> <p>Only command numbers 00, 01, 02, 71, and 72 require an ack and a response.</p> <p>Command numbers 03, 04, and 05 require only an ack.</p> <p>Command numbers 71 and 72 must be supported if 24 bit pan/tilt commands are supported.</p>

**Table 18. Range Finder Command Message Format**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	AD	Range Finder Protected Area Definition Command.
8	z	One byte zone number: “1”, “2”, or “3”
9	la2 (MS nibble)	Lower Azimuth Limit position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	la1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	la0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	ha2 (MS nibble)	Higher Azimuth Limit position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	ha1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	ha0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	le2 (MS nibble)	Lower Elevation Limit position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
16	le1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
17	le0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
18	he2 (MS nibble)	Higher Elevation Limit position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
19	he1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
20	he0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 19a. Range Finder Protected Area Definition Message Format**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	AD	Range Finder Protected Area Definition Command.
8	M	“M” to signify Min/Max Exclusion Area
9	r3 (MS nibble)	Minimum range position, bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	r2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	r1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	r0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13 to 16	r3-r0	Maximum range position

**Table 19b. Range Finder Min/Max Exclusion Area Definition Message Format**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	YD	Range Finder Protected Area Definition Command.
8	z	One byte zone number: “1”, “2”, or “3”
9	a5 (MS nibble)	Lower Azimuth (pan) position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	a4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	a3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	a2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15-20	a5 - a0	Higher Azimuth (pan) position, bits 0-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
21	e5 (MS nibble)	Lower Elevation (tilt) position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
22	e4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
23	e3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
24	e2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
25	e1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
26	e0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
27-32	e5 - e0	Higher Elevation (tilt) position, bits 0-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 19c. 24-bit Range Finder Protected Area Definition Message Format**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	AC	Range Finder Protected Area Control Command.
8	z	One byte zone number: “1”, “2”, or “3” or “M” for range Min/Max exclusion area
9	c	One byte command: “C” – Clear (delete) protected area “D” – Disable protected area “E” – Enable protected area

**Table 20 Range Finder Protected Area Control Message Format**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	AQ	Range Finder Protected Area Query Command. See Tables 34a – 34c for response.
8	z	One byte zone number: “1”, “2”, or “3” (See <a href="#">Tables</a> 34a or 34c for response,) or “M” for range Min/Max exclusion area (See <a href="#">Table</a> 34b for response.)

**Table 21. Range Finder Protected Area Query Message Format**

## 5. DEVICE-SPECIFIC RESPONSES

The following tables document the responses from remote devices.

### 5.1. Identification Response Message

5.1.1. Table 22 defines the message returned from a Request ID request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	IR	ID Response
8-9	01 <sub>H</sub> - 05 <sub>H</sub>	Device type, see Table 1
10-29	ASCII character string	Device name, padded with 20 <sub>H</sub> (space) if necessary
30-49	ASCII character string	Serial number of device, padded with 20 <sub>H</sub> (space) if necessary

**Table 22. Device Identification Response Message**

### 5.2. Maximum Data Rate Response Message

5.2.1. Table 23 defines the message returned from a Maximum Data Rate request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	B	Communications Status
7	0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 - F All other characters	ASCII 0 = 1200 bits per second ASCII 1 = 2400 bits per second ASCII 2 = 4800 bits per second ASCII 3 = 9600 bits per second ASCII 4 = 19,200 bits per second ASCII 5 = 38,400 bits per second ASCII 6 = 57,600 bits per second ASCII 7 = 115,200 bits per second Reserved for future data rates Unused and not reserved

**Table 23. Data Rate Response Message**

### 5.3. Query Groups Response Message

5.3.1. Table 24 defines the message returned from a Query Groups request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	G	Group Query Response
7	01 <sub>H</sub>	Group number for first group
8	02 <sub>H</sub> - FF <sub>H</sub>	Group number for second group
...	02 <sub>H</sub> - FF <sub>H</sub>	
K	02 <sub>H</sub> - FF <sub>H</sub>	Group number for n <sup>th</sup> group

**Table 24. Query Groups Response Message**

## 5.4. Query Devices Response message

5.4.1. Table 25 defines the message returned from a Query Devices request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	D	Device Query Response
7	01 <sub>H</sub> - FF <sub>H</sub>	Group address see Section 3.3.4. for format explanation
8	01 <sub>H</sub> - FF <sub>H</sub>	Device number for first device, see Section 3.3.2. for format explanation
9	01 <sub>H</sub> - FF <sub>H</sub>	Device number for second device
...	01 <sub>H</sub> - FF <sub>H</sub>	
K	01 <sub>H</sub> - FF <sub>H</sub>	Device number for n <sup>th</sup> device

**Table 25. Query Devices Response Message**

## 5.5. Camera Status and Latch Response Message

5.5.1. Table 26 defines the message returned from a camera status request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	L	Latch status
7	30 <sub>H</sub> -3F <sub>H</sub>	LS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = Device Power On/Off Bit 1 = Camera/Imager Iris Auto/Manual Bit 2 = Camera Lens Speed Slow/Fast Bit 3 = Auxiliary latch bit
8	A	Auxiliary status
9	30 <sub>H</sub> -3F <sub>H</sub>	LS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = Auxiliary 1 Bit 1 = Auxiliary 2 Bit 2 = Auxiliary 3 Bit 3 = Auxiliary 4

**Table 26. Camera Status and Latch Response Message**

## 5.6. Camera Lens Settings Response Message

5.6.1. Table 27a defines the message returned from a camera lens setting status request (V?).

5.6.2. Table 27b defines the message returned from a camera lens setting status request (Z?).

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	V	V = response
7	z2 (MS nibble)	Zoom position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
8	z1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
9	z0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	f2 (MS nibble)	Focus position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	f1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	f0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 27a. Camera Lens Setting Response Message**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	Z	Z = response
7	z5 (MS nibble)	Zoom position, hundreds + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
8	z4	Zoom position, tens + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
9	z3	Zoom position, ones + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
10	z2	Always “.” <u>If a FLIR joystick is connected to the unit then this byte can be omitted (see section 6.2.4).</u>
11	z1	Zoom position, tenths + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
12	z0 (LS nibble)	Zoom position, hundredths + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9
13	f2 (MS nibble)	Focus position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	f1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	f0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 27b. Camera Lens Setting Response Message**

## 5.7. Imager Settings Response Message

5.7.1. Table 28 defines the response format to a request for imager status and settings of gain (contrast), brightness (level), and other parameters.



- 5.7.2. All imagers with two or more fields of view (FOV) will use the first definition of field 13 (Original) for returning status. In this definition, the upper nibble always has a value of 3 (bits 4 and 5 of the byte set and bits 6 and 7 are cleared). In cases where there are more than two fields of view -- narrow refers to the narrowest FOV and wide refers to the widest FOV supported.
- 5.7.3. The second definition (for imagers with multiple fields of view (FOV), e.g., Long range imager) allows imagers to return their medium FOV field status. In this definition bit 6 will always be set and bit 0 cleared, and bits 4 and 5 provide values in the range of 0 to 3 as their medium FOVs settings. This provides for a total of 6 fields of view. (Note: Bits 1, 2, and 3 have the same meaning in both cases.)

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	S	S = Status returned
7	g2 (MS nibble)	Contrast value, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
8	g1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
9	g0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	b2	Brightness value, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	b1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	b0	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13 (Original)	30 <sub>H</sub> -3F <sub>H</sub>	LS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = Field of View Wide/Narrow Bit 1 = Polarity White Hot/Black Hot Bit 2 = Automatic Gain/Bright On/Off Bit 3 = Test Mode Inactive/Active
13 (For imagers with up to four (4) medium fields of view.)	40 <sub>H</sub> -7E <sub>H</sub>	Bit 0 = 0 Bit 1 = Polarity White Hot/Black Hot Bit 2 = Automatic Gain/Bright On/Off Bit 3 = Test Mode Inactive/Active Bits 4, 5 = Represent the four medium field of view values, 0 – 3 Bit 6 = Always Set..

**Table 28. Imager Settings Response Message**

## 5.8. Pan/Tilt Mount Response Message

5.8.1. Table 29a contains the response format for a position status (P?) request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	P	P = response to position query
7	a2 (MS nibble)	Azimuth position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
8	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
9	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	e2 (MS nibble)	Elevation position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	e1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	e0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 29a. Pan/Tilt Position Response Message**

5.8.2. Table 29b contains the response format for a position status (K?) request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	K	K = response to position query
7	a5 (MS nibble)	Azimuth (pan) position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
8	a4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
9	a3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
10	a2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
11	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
12	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	e5 (MS nibble)	Elevation (tilt) position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	e4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	e3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
16	e2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
17	e1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
18	e0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F

**Table 29b. 24-bit Pan/Tilt Position Response Message**

## 5.9. Home Status and Recalibration Message

5.9.1. Table 30 contains the response format for a home status request and a recalibration request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	H	Home Status
7	0-9 A I E C	ASCII 0-9 = at Home position A = Home active, unit is moving to position I = Not at home or active E = Home error, could not get to home position C = Recalibration complete

**Table 30. Home Status Request Response Message**

## 5.10. Digital Signal Processor Response Message

5.10.1. Table 31 defines the message returned from a digital signal processor status request.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	L	L = Latch or other status message
7	30 <sub>H</sub> -3F <sub>H</sub>	Least significant nibble is 4 bits of status Bit 0 = DSP Sleep Mode On/Off Bit 1 = 0 (unused) Bit 2 = 0 (unused) Bit 3 = 0 (unused)

**Table 31. Digital Signal Processor Status Response Message**

## 5.11. Communications Error Response Message

- 5.11.1. Table 32 defines the message format for a communications error response message.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6	L	Response to L* messages
7	7F <sub>H</sub>	Communications Error

**Table 32. Communications Error Response Message**

## 5.12 Range Finder Range Information Response Message

- 5.12.1. Table 33a contains the response format for a Range Finder commands 00, 01 and 02. Only RF command numbers 01 and 02 will return range target information if available. For RF command number 00, nb will be “00” and no range information will be retrieved.
- 5.12.2. Table 33b contains the response format for 24 bit Range Finder commands. Only RF command numbers 71 and 72 will return 24 bit range target information if available. This response must be supported if 24 bit pan/tilt commands are supported.
- 5.12.3. Ranges should only be reported once to the requesting host to prevent duplicate ranges from being reported. Once a set of ranges have been reported to the host it should be marked as “read” and not be reported again.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	RR	RR – Range Information Response
8	30 <sub>H</sub> -3F <sub>H</sub>	MS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = not used Bit 1 = not used Bit 2 = not used Bit 3 = not used
9	30 <sub>H</sub> -3F <sub>H</sub>	LS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = Range Finder Power (1 – on, 0 – off) Bit 1 = Range Finder Busy (1 – busy, 0 – ready) Bit 2 = Protected Area (1 – target in protected area, 0 – ok) Bit 3 = General Hardware Fail (1 – failure, 0 – ok)
10	nb1	Number of range information blocks, most significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> ) <i>(Note that nb1, nb0 combine to form a decimal number unlike all the other commands in this ICD.)</i>
11	nb0	Number of range information blocks, least significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
12	a2 (MS nibble)	Azimuth position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	e2 (MS nibble)	Elevation position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
16	e1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
17	e0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
18	r3 (MS nibble)	Range position 1, bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
19	r2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
20	r1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
21	r0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
22 to 25	rp2	Range position 2
26 to 29	rp3	Range position 3
30 to 77	rpN	Range positions 4 to 15

**Table 33a. Range Information Response Message**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	ER	ER – Extended Range Information Response
8	30 <sub>H</sub> -3F <sub>H</sub>	MS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = not used Bit 1 = not used Bit 2 = not used Bit 3 = not used
9	30 <sub>H</sub> -3F <sub>H</sub>	LS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = Range Finder Power (1 – on, 0 – off) Bit 1 = Range Finder Busy (1 – busy, 0 – ready) Bit 2 = Protected Area (1 – target in protected area, 0 – ok) Bit 3 = General Hardware Fail (1 – failure, 0 – ok)
10	nb1	Number of range information blocks, most significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> ) <i>(Note that nb1, nb0 combine to form a decimal number unlike all the other commands in this ICD.)</i>
11	nb0	Number of range information blocks, least significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
12	a5(MS nibble)	Azimuth position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	a4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	a3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	a2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
16	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
17	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
18	e5 (MS nibble)	Elevation position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
19	e4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
20	e3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
21	e2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
22	e1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
23	e0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
24	r5 (MS nibble)	Range position 1, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
25	r4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
26	r3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
27	r2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
28	r1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
29	r0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
30 to 35	rp2	Range position 2
36 to 41	rp3	Range position 3
42 to 113	rpN	Range positions 4 to 15

**Table 33b. 24 bit Range Information Response Message**

## **5.13 Range Finder Protected Area Report Response Message**

- 5.13.1. Table 34a defines a message returned from a range finder protected area query command message. If nb is “00”, then no protected areas are defined.
- 5.13.2. Table 34b defines a message returned from the range finder protected area query command message. If nb is “00”, then no protected areas are defined.
- 5.13.3. Table 34c defines a message returned from the range finder protected area query command message. If nb is “00”, then no protected areas are defined.

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	AR	Range Finder Protected Area Report Response
8	nb1	Number of protected area report blocks, most significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
9	nb0	Number of protected area report blocks, least significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
10	z	One byte zone number: “1”, “2”, or “3”
11	s	One byte status for protected area: “0” – area created “1” – area deleted “2” – area enabled “3” – area disabled
12	la2 (MS nibble)	Lower Azimuth Limit position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	la1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	la0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	ua2 (MS nibble)	Upper Azimuth Limit position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
16	ua1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
17	ua0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
18	le2 (MS nibble)	Lower Elevation Limit position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
19	le1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
20	le0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
21	ue2 (MS nibble)	Upper Elevation Limit position, bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
22	ue1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
23	ue0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
24 to 37	pb2	Protected block 2 info
38 to 51	pb3	Protected block 3 info

**Table 34a. Range Finder Protected Area Report Response Message**



BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	AR	Range Finder Protected Area Report Response
8	0	Number of protected area report blocks, most significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> ) Always = "0" for Min/Max
9	1	Number of protected area report blocks, least significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> ) Always = "1" for Min/Max
10	M	Always "M" for Min/Max Range
11	s	One byte status for protected area: "2" – area enabled "3" – area disabled (Note is acceptable that the range is always enabled and defaults to Min = 0 and Max = FFFF)
12	r3 (MS nibble)	Minimum range position, bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	r2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	r1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	r0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
16 to 19	r3-r0	Maximum range position

**Table 34b. Range Finder Protected Area Min/Max Report Response Message**

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
6-7	YR	Range Finder Protected Area Report Response
8	nb1	Number of protected area report blocks, most significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
9	nb0	Number of protected area report blocks, least significant digit (0-9, 30 <sub>H</sub> - 39 <sub>H</sub> )
10	z	One byte zone number: “1”, “2”, or “3”
11	s	One byte status for protected area: “0” – area created “1” – area deleted “2” – area enabled “3” – area disabled
12	a5 (MS nibble)	Lower Azimuth (pan) position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
13	a4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
14	a3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
15	a2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
16	a1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
17	a0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
18-23	a5 - a0	Higher Azimuth (pan) position, bits 0-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
24	e5 (MS nibble)	Lower Elevation (tilt) position, bits 20-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
25	e4	bits 16-19 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
26	e3	bits 12-15 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
27	e2	bits 8-11 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
28	e1	bits 4-7 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
29	e0 (LS nibble)	bits 0-3 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
30-35	e5 - e0	Higher Elevation (tilt) position, bits 0-23 + 30 <sub>H</sub> for 0-9 and + 37 <sub>H</sub> for A-F
36 to 59	pb2	Protected block 2 info
60 to 83	pb3	Protected block 3 info

**Table 34c. 24-bit Range Finder Protected Area Report Response Message**

## **6. EXTENSIONS, DEVIATIONS, ERRATA AND SUGGESTIONS**

### **6.1. Deviations, Errata and other Suggestions for Improvement**

Like all previous versions of the ICD it is expected there will be implementation, timing and other commands requested by developers, customers, users, etc. and that vendors will implement these and other enhancements. It would be appreciated if any such extensions and deviations be communicated to the 642d Electronic Systems Squadron, and if possible, that coordination being prior to implementation.

### **6.2. “Unapproved” Extensions**

A few vendors have previously deviated and extended the ICD for their own use, the commands and extensions (as we believe they’ve been implemented) are included below. These are included FOR INFORMATIONAL PURPOSES only, and with the caveat that they don’t appear to be completely thought through.

- 6.2.1. Reference Table 27: Some system integrators use the “v” response message to the “V?” command to determine fixed field of view positions as well as continuous zoom positions rather than using the “S” response message that is meant for thermal imagers. They have defined the zoom position for fixed field of views as follows: 1 = narrow, 2 = wide, 3 = narrow medium, and 4 = wide medium. This implementation appears non-standard.

- 6.2.2. Reference 4.3.22, 4.3.23, and Table9: The “AS” command is described as scanning between two positions PA and PB. System integrators have asked for the ability to scan between more than two points so some vendors have used the ”AS” command to scan though the 10 preset points P0-P9. (Note, they claim this has made the “PA” and “PB” commands obsolete, at least for their products.) In addition, other vendors have stated users requiring up to 100 preset points that they’ve implemented as 10 lists of 10 preset positions, neither implementation is standards. See Table 35 for a coordinated summary of these “unapproved” pointing commands. *For legacy command compatibility we suggest that PA => P0 => P00, PB => P1 => P01, Py => P0y and Hy => H0y.*

DESCRIPTION	DATA	COMMENTS
Notation Definition	$x$ $y$ $t$	$x$ = Auto-scan List number ASCII ‘0’ to ‘9’, $y$ = Preset Position Number ASCII ‘0’ to ‘9’ $t$ = Time (in Seconds) ASCII ‘0’ to ‘9’.
Select List	AL $x$ (AL0-AL9)	Selects auto-scan list. Legacy ‘P’ commands (P0 to P9) use list ‘0’.
Begin Auto-Scan Mode	AS	No data after the AS. Auto-scans between positions in selected list (defaults to list zero, ‘0’). Use PS or TS to stop.
Begin Auto-Scan Mode	AS $x$ (AS0-AS9)	Auto-scans between positions in list ‘ $x$ ’. (This command is equivalent to sending an ‘AL $x$ ’ and an ‘AS’.) Use PS or TS to stop.
Go to a Preset or “Home” Position	H $xy$ (H00-H99)	See Table 30 for response format
Store Preset Position	P $xy$ (P00-P99)	The left digit selects the auto-scan list and the right digit selects the preset position. No response required
Store Preset Position, with dwell time.	P $xytt$ (P0000-P9999)	The left digit selects the auto-scan list and the second digit selects the preset position and the last two digits set the dwell time for that preset. No response required. (This command is equivalent to commands ‘AT $tt$ ’ and a ‘P $xy$ ’.)
Default Dwell Time (in Seconds)	AT $tt$ (AT00-AT99)	Sets the dwell time used when storing new preset positions. (Default dwell time can be vendor specific.) No response required
Default Dwell Time (in Seconds)	AT $x$ $tt$ (AT000-AT999)	Resets the system default dwell time for list ‘ $x$ ’ presets. No response required

**Table 35. “Unapproved” Enhancements to the Pointing and Scan List Commands**

- 6.2.3. Reference Table 26 and Section 4.3.16, at least one vendor has expressed confusion and their own implementation of this command, which defines three (3) auxiliary outputs, however the “L” response to “L?” has four (4) auxiliary (1-4) plus an un-named auxiliary latch bit. In addition, the data range reflects an ASCII conversion (which we believe to be correct) but the description does not. One implementation uses the “L” response message as follows:

BYTE	DATA	DESCRIPTION
Byte 6	L	Latch status
Byte 7	0x30-0x3F	LS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = 0 for Power Off, 1 for Power On Bit 1 = 0 for Manual Iris, 1 for Auto Iris Bit 2 = 0 for Slow, 1 for fast Camera Lens Speed Bit 3 = 0 for TI, 1 for CCTV
Byte 8	A	Auxiliary status
Byte 9	0x30-0x3F	LS nibble is 4 bits of status (0 or 1) Bit 0 = 0 for slave mode Off, 1 for slave mode On Bit 1 = Auxiliary 1 Bit 2 = Auxiliary 2 Bit 3 = Auxiliary 3

(Note: Note the NOT including this data in a table was intentional. To call to the readers attention that this is, potentially, a non-standard approach.)

6.2.4. Due to an issue with the FLIR joystick, all messages with data length = 10 are not passed through the joystick. The continuous zoom go to command (z) and response (Z) are examples. To work around this issue, FLIR has implemented a 9 byte version of these messages. The FOV value in the message has the format of “xxxyy” rather than “xxx.yy” (notice the removal of the decimal point). To obtain the correct value from the ‘Z’ response, divide the value xxxyy by 100 to get a value of xxx.yy. For example if the reported value was 03054 then the reported FOV in degrees is 030.54 or 30.54 degrees. To send the correct value for a ‘z’ command the desired FOV value must be multiplied by 100. For example if the desired FOV value is 30.54 degrees then it must be multiplied by 100 to yield 03054. Notice the preceding 0 must set to conform to the “xxxyy” format. The FLIR camera supports both formats. The default format supported at power up is the 10 byte format. To tell the camera to use a specific format send a z command in the desired format (9 or 10 byte). The camera will change to the appropriate format.

## 7. BUTTON CODE DEFINITIONS

The following table describes button key code definitions currently implemented in current deployed units.

KEY CODE	PRESS / RELEASE	CONDITION	CONTROL ACTION
1 - Enter	R		Activate menu
	R	Menu Active	Select menu item
2 - Cancel	R		Cancel auto scan
	R	Menu Active	Clear latest info or menu display
3 - Invert	R		Toggle polarity if TI active
4 - Freeze	P/R		Image freeze
5 - Down	P/R		Start/Stop Zoom out
	P/R	With Shift	Start/Stop Decrement gain if TI active
	P/R	Menu Active	Start/Stop Navigate menu down
6 - Left	R		Go to previous preset
	P/R	With Shift	Start/Stop Decrement brightness
	P/R	Menu Active	Start/Stop Navigate menu left
7 - Up	P/R		Start/Stop Zoom in
	P/R	With Shift	Start/Stop Increment gain if TI active
	P/R	Menu Active	Start/Stop Navigate menu up
8 - Right	R		Go to next preset
	P/R	With Shift	Start/Stop Increment brightness
	P/R	Menu Active	Start/Stop Navigate menu right
9 - Scan	R		Start auto-scan
10 – Park	R		Park pan and tilt
11 - NUC	P		Start selection of CALI or auto focus
	R	<Is from ‘P’	Perform CALI
	R	>Is from ‘P’	Perform auto focus
12 - Func	P		Enable shift
	R		Disable shift
13 - FoV	R		Toggle FOV if TI active
15 – IR/TV Toggle	R		Toggle active video
20 – IR Select	R		Set TI as active video
21 – TV Select	R		Set VC as active video
22 – Slave Mode On	R		Enable slave mode
23 – Slave Mode Off	R		Disable slave mode
24 – Auto Focus	R		Auto focus on active video source (FLIR Sentry)
25 – IR On	R		IR Module Power On (FLIR Sentry II)
26 – IR Off	R		IR Module Power Off (FLIR Sentry II)

27 – TV On	R		TV Module Power On (FLIR Sentry II)
28 – TV Off	R		TV Module Power Off (FLIR Sentry II)
29 – NUC2	P/R		Start selection of CALI or auto focus
30 – Wiper On	R		Turn Wiper On (FLIR Sentry)
31 – Wiper Off	R		Turn Wiper On (FLIR Sentry)
32 – IR Lens heat On	R		Turn IR Module Lens Heat On (FLIR Sentry)
33 – IR Lens heat Off	R		Turn IR Module Lens Heat Off (FLIR Sentry)
34 – IR LRF On	R		Turn IR LRF Module On (FLIR Sentry)
35 – IR LRF Off	R		Turn IR LRF Module Off (FLIR Sentry)
36 – GPS Power On	R		Turn GPS Module On (FLIR Sentry II)
37 – GPS Power Off	R		Turn GPS Module Off (FLIR Sentry II)
38 – DMC Power On	R		Turn Digital Magnetic Compass On (FLIR Sentry II)
39 – DMC Power Off	R		Turn Digital Magnetic Compass Off (FLIR Sentry II)
40– Set DDE Low	R		Set DDE Low (FLIR Sentry II)
41 – Set DDE High	R		Set DDE Low (FLIR Sentry II)
50 - Wiper	R		Toggle Wiper (Axsys 2.03)
51 – Day mode Toggle	R		Toggle day mode if TI active (Axsys 1.28)
52 – High Sensitivity Toggle	R		Toggle High Sensitivity if TI active (Axsys 2.03)
53 – Scroll Palette	R		Scroll through palette if TI (Axsys 1.28)
54 - CALI	R		Perform CALI
55 – Auto focus	R		Perform auto focus (Axsys 2.03)
56 – Calibrate Compass	R		Calibrate Compass (if feature available) (Axsys 2.03)
57 – True North	R		Set Home to True North (if feature available) (Axsys 2.03)
<u>61 – Fire Laser</u>	<u>P/R</u>		<u>Fire the laser range finder (similar to RF – 01 command) (Axsys)</u>
<u>62 – Request Ranges</u>	<u>P/R</u>		<u>Request ranges from laser range finder (similar to RF – 02 command) (Axsys)</u>
65 –	P/R		Start/Stop Decrement Gain if TI active



Decrement Gain Control			(Axsys 2.03)
66 – Decrement Brightness Control	P/R		Start/Stop Decrement Brightness (Axsys 2.03)
67 – Increment Gain Control	P/R		Start/Stop Increment Gain if TI active (Axsys 2.03)
68– Increment Brightness Control	P/R		Start/Stop Increment Brightness (Axsys 2.03)

**Table 36. Button/Keypad Code Definitions**