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Notes

- walked through a draft of the new simplified version of SFA
  - clarify wording: passwords are chosen by the user and not generated for them
  - add complexity rules as a requirement for passwords with 72 character set
    - leave exact definition of the rules open
  - look-up secrets are often unlimited in time so there needs to be some extra protection against brute-force attacks
    - if a short non-time-based OTP is exposed to a brute-force attack for an unlimited time it is like cracking a poor password
  - TAN and TOTP is not defined in 800-63B, find proper reference
  - what is an authentication secret?
    - if authentication is done by sending a challenge that the user needs to encrypt with their key and then return, which one (the key or challenge) is the authentication secret?
  - enough to say needs to be cryptographically protected, without defining how
    - otherwise we find ourself defining algorithms which last time led to troubles
  - can Table 1 be applied to backup keys and OTPs that are provided to the user in advance?

- next call: 23 April 15:30 CEST/8:30 CDT