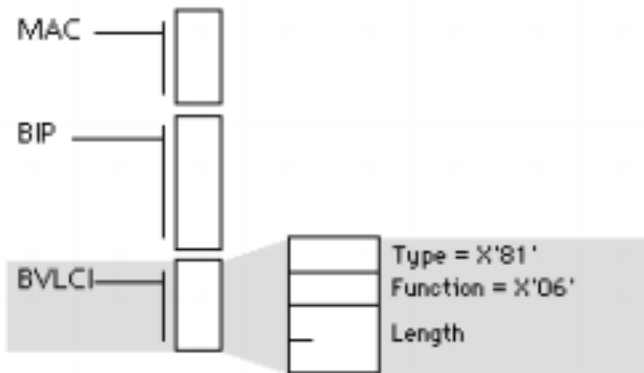
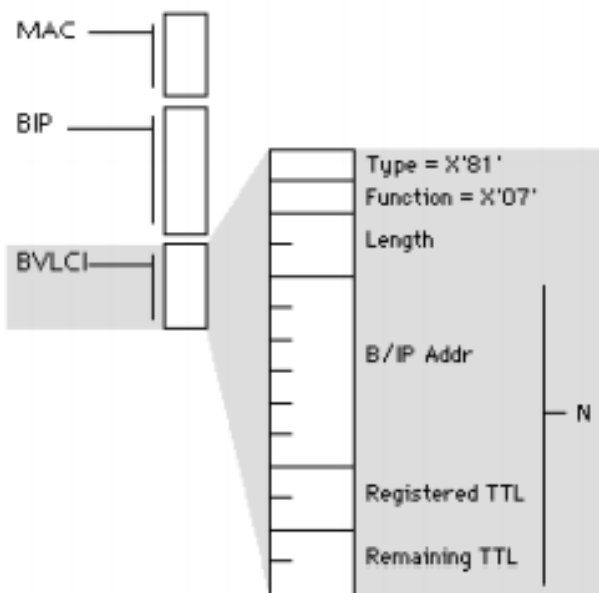


Maintaining Foreign Device Tables...

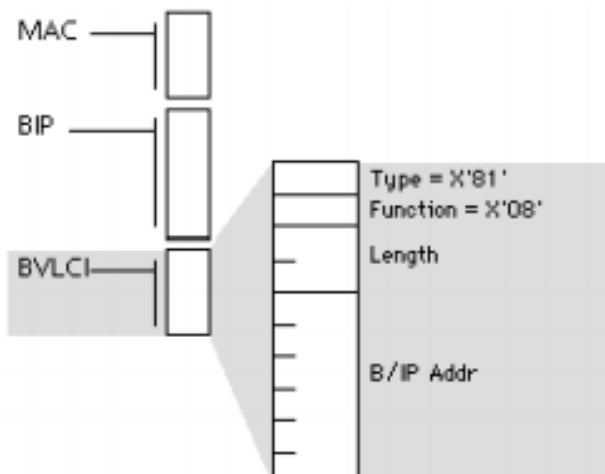
In order to facilitate the management of BBMD Foreign Device Tables, three new BVLL functions have been added. They are the **Read-Foreign-Device-Table**, **Read-Foreign-Device-Table-Ack** and **Delete-ForeignDevice-Table-Entry**.



The **Read-Foreign-Device-Table** message allows the reading of the contents of a BBMD's FDT. This capability will most likely be used only for occasional diagnostic purposes.



The **Read-Foreign-Device-Table-Ack** message contains the contents of the requested FDT. If a problem occurs, a message with a result code of X'0040' **BVLC-Result** NAK is to be returned.



The **Delete-Foreign-Device-Table-Entry** message allows an administrator to delete a specific entry from an FDT. Again, this capability will most likely be used only to resolve a system problem such as when a permanently registered foreign device "goes away" for some reason. If a deletion cannot be carried out, a **BVLC-Result** NAK message with a result code of X'0050' is to be returned.