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Denpasar May 14, 2003

To: Script Encoding Initiative c/o Deborah Anderson Dept. of Linguistics 1203 Dwinelle Hall #2650 Berkeley, CA 94720-2650 USA

Dear Dr. Anderson,

I am Drs. A. A. Bagus Wirawan, S.U, the Dean of the Faculty of Letters, Udayana University, Bali, Indonesia. I am writing to express my support for the inclusion of Balinese into Unicode, which is one of the scripts being promoted by the Script Encoding Initiative. The Balinese language is the native language of nearly 3 million people in Indonesia and is commonly written in the Balinese script or the Latin script. The Balinese script is found today on signs, in traditional literature, and school books. Balinese language and Balinese script lectures are given to students from elementary school to senior high schools. It is very important that Balinese be included in Unicode so that more materials can be published. This will help to guarantee that the script have a secure future in the lives of the Balinese people, because more Balinese speakers will be able to write and read fluently in this script. On the other side, this will also have a very positive impact toward the conservations of Balinese culture and religion, as most of the materials were written in Balinese character.

As a user of the Balinese language, I am in full support of the effort to encode the Balinese script and pledge my support for the work of the Script Encoding Initiative in this endeavor.

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JURUSAN SASTRA DAERAH

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Dear Dr. Anderson,

I am Drs. I Ketut Jirnaya, M.Hum., the Head of the Regional Letters Study Programme, Faculty of Letters, Udayana University, Bali, Indonesia. I am writing to express my support for the inclusion of Balinese into Unicode, which is one of the scripts being promoted by the Script Encoding Initiative. The Balinese language is the native language of nearly 3 million people in Indonesia and is commonly written in the Balinese script or the Latin script. Balinese language and script are given to the students from elementary school to high school in the entire Bali. The advanced education on Balinese script and language lectures are given to students of the Faculty of Letters in Udayana University of Bali, under the Regional Letters Study Programme.

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Sincerely,

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