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Script Encoding Initiative  
c/o Dr Deborah Anderson  
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Dear Dr Anderson,

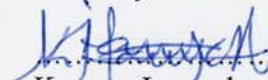
My name is Karamo Jammeh and I am one of the leading members of N'ko group in Scandinavia. You might familiar with my name "Karamo Jammeh" through my colleagues Mr. Baba Diane and Momodou Doumbouya from whom I used to have all the copies of the notes, concerned about the inclusion of N'Ko into Unicode, which have been sent to him from your above named institute Script Encoding Initiative

For the past 7 years, beside my ordinary work, I am "informally" teaching N'ko by helping our (Nko speaking) children who been born here in Scandinavia to be able to read and write our language.

I'm writing to express my support for the inclusion of N'Ko into Unicode, one of the scripts being promoted by the Script Encoding Initiative. I am from the Gambia now residing in Uppsala the 4<sup>th</sup> biggest city of Sweden. Both my wife and I have our relatives in the Gambia and we have lot of friends in Gambia and other part of the world whom we have contacts with them by telephone and an ordinary letter as well the modern way of communication "email" which is the most cheapest of all. But we use the Latin script for the above-mentioned language.

This effort for the inclusion of N'Ko into Unicode will surely make us be able to communicate fully in N'Ko, not only within West Africa but also throughout the world, by using all the modern way of communication particularly "Dot com" computer. As a would be user of N'Ko in the future, I am in full support of your efforts N'Ko and therefore pledge my support for the work of the Script Encoding Initiative in this endeavour.

Sincerely,

  
Karamo Jammeh

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27<sup>th</sup> August 2003

Dear Sir, I am writing to express my

Support for the inclusion of n'ko into Unicode.

I am from the Gambia and living in Sweden for 28 years now.

I am a story writer and teller and have already given out 2 books in Swedish and presently on the 3<sup>rd</sup> one which might be out in very near future.

As I would be user of n'ko in future, I am in full support of your efforts in n'ko and therefore pledge my support for the work of the Script Encoding Initiative in this endeavour.

Sincerely,  
Senko Kebba Landring



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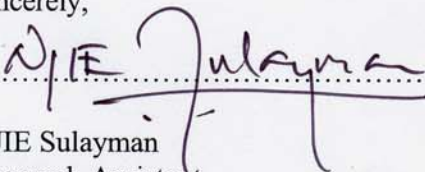
Dear Dr Anderson,

I am writing to express my support for the inclusion of N'Ko into Unicode, one of the scripts being promoted by the Script Encoding Initiative. I am from the Gambia and am at present working as a Research Assistant within the **Umeå Krio Corpus Project** at the above named University, Department of Modern Languages/English.

I have, since the beginning of the 1980s, had the opportunity of working with the three recognised national languages of the Gambia – Wolof, Fula and Mandinka – though I use the Latin script for the above mentioned languages; alongside my research in English and Krio<sup>1</sup>. As an integral part of my work, I collaborate with educationalists, writers, women's organisations etc. in West Africa on practical applications of my research especially with regard to literacy and developmental issues. I was recently re-introduced into the study of N'Ko here in Sweden and this, to say the least, has opened another aspect of my research.

This effort for the inclusion of N'Ko into Unicode from your side will make us be able to communicate fully in N'Ko, not only within West Africa but throughout the world, by using all the communicative techniques at our disposal. As a would be user of N'Ko in the future, I am in full support of your efforts vis-à-vis N'Ko and therefore pledge my support for the work of the Script Encoding Initiative in this endeavour.

Sincerely,

  
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NJIE Sulayman  
Research Assistant

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<sup>1</sup> Krio is an Afro-English creole language spoken mainly in Sierra Leone but also in the Gambia. The language forms part of a continuum of English-lexicon-oriented pidgins and creoles found throughout West Africa.