TO : Unicode Technical Committee
FROM: Deborah Anderson, UC Berkeley
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RE: Liaison Report from UC Berkeley, Script Encoding Initiative

Proposals from SEI have been submitted on:
Egyptian hieroglyphs by Michael Everson and Bob Richmond
Bamum by Michael Everson and Chuck Riley. A much larger proposal covering historic
characters will be prepared in 2008.
Tangut by Richard Cook
Anatolian Hieroglyphs by Michael Everson. A review by a graduate student at the School of
Oriental and African Studies (SOAS), University of London, will be done in June.
Additional expert input is being sought from other experts.
North Indian Accounting by Anshuman Pandey (and a proposal on the Kaithi script by the same
author is also anticipated)

Ongoing Work
Vedic accents: A review of this proposal is underway by scholars; a revision of the current
proposal will probably be submitted at the August UTC.
Warang Chiti (Varang Kshiti): Two linguists, K. David Harrison and Greg Anderson, will be
working with the Ho population to provide documentation and feedback on the proposal.
Samaritan: A preliminary proposal by Michael Everson and Mark Shoulson is in the works.
Old South Arabic: Work on a proposal is being done by a Yemen typographer under Kamal
Mansour's supervision. A preliminary proposal should appear in the near future.
Greek Papyrological symbols: The Center for Tebtunis Papyri at UC Berkeley will be working on
a proposal for those symbols needed by papyrologists. Input from the user community is
still being sought.
Alchemical symbols: "The Chymistry of Isaac Newton" project hosted by Indiana University
Digital Library Program (http://www.dlib.indiana.edu/collections/newton)will be
working on a proposal for missing alchemical symbols.
Future work for 2007: Unicode proposals for Pahlavi, Manichaean, Javanese, Batak,
UCAS, and Mandaic are slated for 2007. Contact with the proposer of the
Orkhon runic proposal and Yi experts at the Frankfurt WG2 meeting will
hopefully yield proposals on these scripts within the 2007-08 timeframe.

Future Activities
Debbie Anderson has organized a panel at the Dictionary Society of North America being held at
the University of Chicago in June 2007. The panel will include project directors from the Digital
Dictionaries of South Asia project, the Chicago Demotic Dictionary, and the Chicago Hittite
Dictionary, all of which are involved in online dictionary production. This will provide an
opportunity to also mention missing dictionary symbols and to discuss scripts not yet in Unicode.

She will also give a presentation on Unicode at the Linguistics Society of America
Summer Institute, the latter of which will be held at Stanford in the summer of 2007.
[Note: There will be a LSA Summer Institute workshop on "Scripts, Non-scripts and
(Pseudo)decipherment)" on Wednesday, July 11, 2007, from 9-5:30 in the Braun Auditorium,
Stanford. There is no fee, but registration is required. For further information, see:
http://serrano.ai.uiuc.edu/2007Workshop/#reg, registration:
http://serrano.ai.uiuc.edu/2007Workshop/registration.cgi.]