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Re: Liaison report from UC Berkeley (Script Encoding Initiative)

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This document serves as a summary of the UC Berkeley Script Encoding Initiative's recent activities.

Proposals currently submitted to UTC that have involved SEI assistance:

- Extensions to Unified Canadian Aboriginal Syllabics (by SEI Michael Everson and Chris Harvey)
- Old Bamum (by SEI Michael Everson, Charles Riley, Konrad Tuchscherer]
- Batak (by SEI Michael Everson)

Ongoing work continues on the following:

- Old Sundanese (proposal being written)
- Manichaean (proposal being revised)
- Old Hungarian (proposal written but alternative proposals have been submitted)
- Anatolian Hieroglyphs (proposal still under review)
- Meroitic (additional research being done)
- Varang Kshiti (preliminary proposal only, await user feedback)
- Sorang Sompeng (preliminary proposal only, await user feedback)
- Chakma (await user feedback)

Other proposals:

- Work on a number of Indic scripts proposals (including Khojki, Takri and Sharada) is underway.
- Book Pahlavi has posed several obstacles and is currently on hold.
- Assisting on Newton Alchemical Symbols

For the remaining part of 2008, work is planned for Newari and possibly Pahawh Hmong. Proposals for missing Greek papyrological signs, Byzantine Greek, and Palaeohispanic characters are being discussed. Deborah Anderson is encouraging additional participation from Egyptologists for future work on Ptolemaic signs. She has also submitted an application to NEH for funding to cover 2009-2011.