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#### Letterlike Symbols Supplement (New Block proposed at 2FE0...2FEF)

MC	U+2FE0	<ul> <li>RAISED MC SIGN</li> <li>= Marque de Commerce</li> <li>· Canadian legal use</li> <li>→ 2122 TRADE MARK SIGN</li> <li>≈ <super> 004D M 0043 C</super></li> </ul>
MD	U+2FE1	<ul> <li>RAISED MD SIGN</li> <li>= Marque Déposée</li> <li>· Canadian legal use</li> <li>→ 00AE REGISTERED SIGN</li> <li>≈ <super> 004D M 0044 D</super></li> </ul>
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The properties are modeled after U+2122 TRADE MARK SIGN. This also applies to the use of the term "SIGN" in the name, while otherwise the characters are named referring to their constituent letters, as the denoted terms are not English.

As the "Letterlike Symbols" block (2100...214F) is full, there is no appropriate block where the proposed symbols fit into. As they are not enclosed, they do not belong into the "Enclosing Alphanumeric Supplement" (1F100...1F1FF) where otherwise would be enough space to include them near otherwise similar symbols.

Therefore, it is proposed to utilize a small gap in the BMP as a new "Letterlike Symbols Supplement" block. To allocate a one-column block seems appropriate, as there seem to be no other symbols discussed at this time which would fit primarily into this new block.

*Note:* In an earlier proposal (L2/09-035: Proposal to encode a modifier letter "C" for Canadian legal use; Author: Alexander Blaise; see Acknowledgements), it was proposed to encode the MC and MD signs as sequences of modifier letters Capital M + capital C resp. capital M + capital D, of which only modifier letter capital C is not yet encoded.

However, UTC #118 decided by Action Item 118-A17: "Reply to author proposing to encode a modifier letter "C" that the UTC would consider adding two compatibility symbols for MC / MD". Therefore, the proposal now is resubmitted taking that way into account.

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## Introduction

In some regions where French is an official language, the raised letter combinations MC and MD are used for "Marque de Commerce" and "Marque Déposée", like <sup>™</sup> and <sup>®</sup> are used in English texts for "trade mark" and registered trade mark".

These two symbols in fact are used in Canada on a regular basis, as Canada is bilingual (English and French), and therefore the parallel use of both languages in equal extent is enforced even for abbreviations.

The typographic appearance of these two symbols resembles that of  $^{\text{TM}}$ , and like their English counterparts, they have a distinctive semantic value, and must be enabled to be written in plain text.

Information of the use is e.g. found on the site of the Canadian Intellectual Property Office. The following paragraph "Marking requirements" is taken from that site at: <a href="http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/h">http://www.ic.gc.ca/eic/site/cipointernet-internetopic.nsf/eng/h</a> wr00856.html

#### **Marking requirements**

Canada's <u>*Trade-marks Act*</u> does not contain any marking requirements. However, trade-mark owners often indicate their registration through certain symbols, namely, ® (registered), <sup>TM</sup> (trade-mark), SM (service mark), MD (marque déposée) or MC (marque de commerce). Although the Act does not require the use of these symbols, it is advisable to use them. The symbols TM, SM or MC may be used regardless of whether the trade-mark is registered. The ®, or MD, on the other hand, should be used only if the mark is registered.

## Acknowledgements

This proposal continues the work of Alexander Blaise (from Morningstar Research Inc.), who submitted "L2/09-035: Proposal to encode a modifier letter "C" for Canadian legal use". He has kindly given permission to incorporate his work into this proposal.

## **Examples**

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Fig. 1: Source: http://www.investissementsrenaissance.ca/fr/

The above example displays the "MC" character combination, which has a typographic appearance that resembles "Trademark" <sup>™</sup> – the English equivalent of Marque de Commerce (MC). This example is being used to communicate both the company's identity and marketing slogan have both been trademarked.

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- Fig. 2: Source: http://www.cibc.com/ca/portfolio-solutions/axiomportfolios-fr.html
- The above example depicts a product line that has been trademarked (Portefeuilles Axiom). CIBC is a Canadian financial institution that operates in both English and French – Canada's two official languages.

Consequently, the "MC" is displayed in the French text the same way as the "TM" in the English text.

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Fig. 3: Source: <a href="http://www.portefeuillesaxiom.com/funds/975.asp">http://www.portefeuillesaxiom.com/funds/975.asp</a>

Another example of an identity bearing the "MC" (marque de commerce ).

5. Sont aussi inclus dans ce forfait les services suivants : chèques personnalisés (1 commande de 100 chèques par an, modèle Desjardins), chèques visés, chèques de voyage American Express<sup>MD</sup> à une signature, traites et mandats (toutes devises), remise d'images de chèques (membres avec relevé de compte mensuel seulement), rabais annuel de 15 \$ (incluant les taxes) sur location d'un coffret de sûreté.

\* La Fédération des caisses Desjardins du Québec, usager autorisé de ces marques déposées

MD Marque déposée et marque de commerce d'American Express Company

Fig. 4: Source:

http://www.desjardins.com/fr/particuliers/produits\_services/compt es-services-relies/forfaits/index.jsp

An example showing "MD" (marque déposée) in plain text within an HTML page. The "MD", in absence of an encoded character, is simulated by superscripting, which yields in an unpleasant deviation of the line spacing between the first and second line.

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# Qui est Iceberg Select<sup>™D</sup>?

Iceberg Select<sup>™</sup> est la meilleure marque de moules produites en Amérique du Nord. Ces moules de classe mondiale sont produites par Badger Bay Mussel Farms Ltd. ainsi que huit autres producteurs affiliés qui, ensemble, forment Iceberg Select<sup>™</sup>. La cueillette de nos

Fig. 5: Source: http://www.icebergselect.com/fr/iceberg-f.php

Another example showing "MD" in plain text within an HTML page. Here, the "MD" also is simulated by superscripting, which here yields in different heights relative to the baseline, resulting in a discordant typographical appearance.

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SERVICES À LA PME CIBC	Hypothèque travailleur autonome CIBC <sup>MD</sup>	
Opérations bancaires courantes	Si vous travaillez à votre compte, l'Hypothèque travailleur autonome CIBC vous facilitera l'achat d'une maison. En plus des critères d'approbation souples, plusieurs produits hypothécaires vous sont proposés. Flexible et conçu spécialement pour les entrepreneurs, ce prêt hypothécaire facilitera l'achat de votre maison. Aucune preuve de revenu n'est	
Emprunts et crédit	exigée si la totalité du revenu provient de votre entreprise*.	
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Placements et gestion des avoirs	prêts hypothécaires commerciaux de 3, 5, 7 et 10 ans à taux variable.	
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Services internationaux	sont applicables. <sup>MC</sup> Marque de commerce de la Banque CIBC.	
Sites institutionnels	<sup>MD</sup> Marque déposée de la Banque CIBC.	
Fig. 6: Source: <u>http://</u>	www.cibc.com/ca/small-business/mortgages-fr.html	

An example showing both "MD" and "MC" (both at the bottom; "MD" also after the first underlined link).

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#### C. Technical - Justification

1. Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before? If YES explain (Note: L2/09-035 addressed the same symbols in another way; thus that is superseded by	No y this proposal)
2. Has contact been made to members of the user community (for example: National Body,	
user groups of the script or characters, other experts, etc.)?	No
If VEC with whene?	
If YES, available relevant documents:	
3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example:	
size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included?	Yes
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4. The context of use for the proposed characters (type of use; common or rare)	
5. Are the proposed characters in current use by the user community?	Yes
If YES, where? Reference: Canada (mainly Quebec)	100
6. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P&P document must the proposed character	ers be entirely
in the BMP?	Yes
If YES, is a rationale provided?	Yes
If YES, reference: Existing similar characters are in the BMP	
7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than being scattere	-d)?
8. Can any of the proposed characters be considered a presentation form of an existing	
character or character sequence?	Yes
If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?	
If YES, reference: They are closely related semantically	
9. Can any of the proposed characters be encoded using a composed character sequence of either	
existing characters or other proposed characters?	No
If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?	
10. Can any of the proposed character(s) be considered to be similar (in appearance or function)	
to an existing character?	No
If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?	110
If YES, reference:	
11. Does the proposal include use of combining characters and/or use of composite sequences?	No
	No
If YES, is a rationale for such use provided?	
If YES, reference:	dod2
Is a list of composite sequences and their corresponding glyph images (graphic symbols) provi	
If YES, reference:	
12. Does the proposal contain characters with any special properties such as	No
control function or similar semantics?	
If YES, describe in detail (include attachment if necessary)	
12. Dece the proposed contain any Ideographic compatibility character(a)?	
13. Does the proposal contain any Ideographic compatibility character(s)?	No
If YES, is the equivalent corresponding unified ideographic character(s) identified?	INO
If YES, reference:	

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