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Terminology used in this document:

"Descender" refers to the specially formed appendage on letters like the one in the already encoded letter U+A790 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER N WITH DESCENDER.

"Typographical descender" refers to the part of a letter below the baseline, thus resembling the term "descender" as used in typography.

1. Introduction

In 2012, the document L2/12-045 "Revised proposal to encode Latin letters used in the Former Soviet Union" was presented, proposing a larger set of Latin letters for several languages used in the Soviet Union. For several reasons, the work was not continued at that time.

Now, the document L2/19-224 is presented, which proposes letters for two single languages, Komi-Zyrian (simply referenced as "Komi" in L2/12-045) and Komi-Permyak. All the proposed letters are contained in L2/12-045 or documents referenced there.

This proposal supports L2/19-224 by presenting parts of L2/12-045 regarding Komi, and supplements it by listing the proposed letters as requested for valid Unicode proposals.

1.1 Deviations from L2/19-224

- The letters named "Latin capital/small Letter Komi Back I" in L2/19-224 are here named "LATIN CAPITAL/SMALL LETTER YERU", as they are common in Latin alphabets devised for languages in the Soviet Union during the 1920s/1930s. See e.g. L2/12-045.
- As the stroke overlay on the S is actually short and not oblique in every case, U+A7A8/A7A9 LATIN CAPITAL/SMALL LETTER S WITH SHORT STROKE OVERLAY (proposed elsewhere; accepted according to L2/19-250) seems more appropriate than U+A7C9/A7CA LATIN CAPITAL LETTER S WITH OBLIQUE STROKE.

1.2 Deviations from L2/12-045

• For the letter pairs named "Latin capital/small letter C with middle tilde" and "Latin capital/ small letter Ze with descender" in L2/12-045, the namings of L2/19-224 are proposed: "Latin capital/small Komi cha" resp. "Latin capital/small letter reversed open e with descender".

2. Encoding Considerations

All characters proposed here are Latin letters in case pairs without special properties.

2.1 The descender

A common feature of the letters newly created for the 1920s/1930s Latin orthographies of the Soviet Union is the descender.

It is an appendage put on the bottom of the letter to create a new one, which usually is phonetically related to the original one. Obviously, it has its model in the appendage which distinguishes the Cyrillic letters \coprod (SHA) and \coprod (SHCHA).

In the Latin orthographies, it has no precedence and therefore no typographic tradition. Thus, in the evidence presented here and L2/12-045, it shows many different forms (rectangle, triangle, Π -descender, hook similar to a palatal hook, cedilla, or comma below). Most often, it is placed at the right end of the bottom of the base character, but small right deplacements from the central line or exact central placements also occur (especially on letters with round bottom like C/D/S).

Usually (but not in every case), it is more prominent than the Ш/Ш difference in common Cyrillic fonts, probably to support eyes which are not accommodated to the Ш/Щ difference.

This variation occurs within samples of the same orthography and even also within the same book (see e.g. fig. 3).

Therefore, all forms of the same Latin base letter with descender are unified.

In accordance with the already encoded Latin H/K/N/Z with descender, and as the descender has no characteristic shape by itself, all letters with descender are proposed as individual atomic letters, rather than to propose a new diacritical mark "DESCENDER BELOW".

2.1.1 Descender vs. cedilla

This is also done for C and S. These letters, while occasionally show a form of the descender resembling a cedilla or comma below, in most of the specimens show a form resembling the descender form used for the other letters (e.g. triangle). Also, the horizontal placement is right from the vertical center in many cases. The examples show such variations even in the same book.

We deliberately do not propose a unification of the descender with the cedilla or the comma below. In contexts where only one diacritical mark attached at the bottom of letters prevails in everyday use, it is commonly observed that there prevails no carefulness regarding of the exact form. This e.g. can be observed in modern Turkey and Romania, where the cedilla and comma below are often confused or reduced to more simple forms like a vertical line. This, however, does not affect the basic identity of the diacritical marks, which are a cedilla for Turkish and a comma below for Romanian.

We have a similar situation here. Komi uses the descender, which in its essential form is attached at the bottom of the base character as rightmost as typographically acceptable. For characters with a symmetric round bottom like C, S, or 3, this position may in fact be the middle, and then a cedilla or "comma below" form may considered adequate.

This does not change the underlying identity of the "descender". If the descender were unified with the cedilla or the "comma below" for the letters with round bottom, no longer can a font be made which is conformant to the majority of the designs which retain the descender form used for N, Z, and so on.

Also, a unification with either "cedilla" or "comma below" hampers the identity of these two

diacritics, as font designers have to be free in their decision whether they give the descender the form of either a cedilla or a "comma below" when they would address the design of any original font doing this. In the case of a unification, they had to give a "cedilla" the form of a "comma below" or vice versa, instead of being able to preserve the identity of these diacritical marks while giving the form they want to the descender only, which in fact has this larger glyph variation bound to its character identity.

2.2 Character forms similar to Cyrillic ones

The Latin and Cyrillic alphabets share several letters which commonly have identical forms, independent whether they usually denote the same phoneme (A/a) or different ones (P/p). Also, in several cases, the complete case pair resembles (e.g. C/c), while in other cases only the capital letters resemble (e.g. T/t vs. T/r).

Thus, it is no surprise that some of the additional letters proposed here also resemble Cyrillic letterforms.

This leads to the possibility of unifying the Latin characters proposed here with the existing Cyrillic letters, to save a few code points.

However, we consider such script mixing being a bad thing for the following reasons:

- The issue of identically looking letters in different scripts is understood and handled very well already (e.g. for URL spoofing).
- Script mixing within one orthography (i.e. within one locale) makes issues like sorting and searching (and specifying the rules for this) unnecessary complicated. It is expected that people will create library catalogs and archive pages using the original titles of publications using these orthographies (e.g., this fact was emphasized in private communication with people of the Bayerische Staatsbibliothek [Bavarian National Library]).
- Script mixing irritates the common user: When they know that they have to use Cyrillic letters in Latin text anyway, they will do so for any letters when the outcome shows correct to them.

Thus, they will use Cyrillic characters even when an appropriate Latin one exists (e.g. Cyrillic small B instead of Latin small capital B, to give an example not as trivial as mixing Cyrillic P/p with Latin P/p in the same text although in fact only the latter one was yielded).

 Besides the heritage of Unicode 1.0, script mixing within European Alphabetic Scripts was done in no case for orthographies (i.e. character sets which are intended for use in everyday life, as opposed to scientific sets like the Uralic Phonetic Alphabet). As an example, U+A698/A699 CYRILLIC CAPITAL/SMALL LETTER DOUBLE O were accepted (see WG2 N4107), instead of unifying them with U+A74E/A74F LATIN CAPITAL/SMALL LETTER OO which exactly look the same.

3. Proposed letters

(Note: Explanations given in italics are intended to be not included in the final standard text.)

Block: Latin Extended-D

Letters for orthographies of the Soviet Union used in the 1920s/1930s

Ь U+A7C0 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER YERU

Ь U+A7C1 LATIN SMALL LETTER YERU

- → 0131 latin small letter dotless i
- \rightarrow 0185 latin small letter tone six
- → 044B cyrillic small letter yeru
- \rightarrow 044C cyrillic small letter soft sign
- · in Tatar and other Janalif-based orthographies, it denotes sounds like those denoted by the dotless i in Turkish or the yeru (ы) in Russian

(this letter pair may be unified with Latin letter tone six (U+0184/0185), if the representative glyphs of the latter will be changed according to the "Proposal B" contained in L2/19-258 "Proposal to change the representative glyphs of the Latin letter tone six (U+0184/0185)").

Letters for the Komi Latin alphabet and other historical Latin based orthographies used in the 1920s/1930s in the Soviet Union

(the annotations regarding other orthographies than Komi are taken from L2/12-045)

| Э | U+A7CB | LATIN CAPITAL LETTER KOMI CHA |
|---|--------|---|
| E | U+A7CC | LATIN SMALL LETTER KOMI CHA = latin small letter c with middle tilde → 0454 cyrillic small letter ukrainian e • Komi |
| Ç | U+A7CD | LATIN CAPITAL LETTER C WITH DESCENDER \rightarrow 2185 roman numeral six late form |
| Ç | U+A7CE | LATIN SMALL LETTER C WITH DESCENDER → 0481 cyrillic small letter koppa → 04AB cyrillic small letter es with descender Abkhaz, Adyghe, Kabardian, Komi, Udi the descender shape differs from the shape of LH04AB |

the descender shape differs from the shape of U+04AB

| U+A7CF | LATIN CAPITAL LETTER D WITH DESCENDER |
|--------|---|
| U+A7D0 | LATIN SMALL LETTER D WITH DESCENDER • Adyghe, Komi |
| U+A7D1 | LATIN CAPITAL LETTER L WITH DESCENDER |
| U+A7D2 | LATIN SMALL LETTER L WITH DESCENDER • Abaza, Kabardian, Komi |
| U+A7D3 | LATIN CAPITAL LETTER S WITH DESCENDER |
| U+A7D4 | LATIN SMALL LETTER S WITH DESCENDER • Abaza, Abkhaz, Avar, Bashkir, Komi |
| U+A7D5 | LATIN CAPITAL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER |
| U+A7D6 | LATIN SMALL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER • Abaza, Abkhaz, Avar, Komi, Kurdish, Tsakhur, Udi |
| U+A7D7 | LATIN CAPITAL LETTER REVERSED OPEN E WITH DESCENDER |
| U+A7D8 | LATIN SMALL LETTER REVERSED OPEN E WITH DESCENDER → 025E latin small letter reversed open e → 0499 cyrillic small letter ze with descender Komi the descender shape differs from the preferred shape for U+0499 |
| | U+A7D0 U+A7D1 U+A7D2 U+A7D3 U+A7D4 U+A7D5 U+A7D6 U+A7D7 |

Letters already accepted due to another proposal according to L2/19-250

(See also: L2/19-260 "Supplemental proposal on the Latin letter S with short stroke overlay")

 ${\bf S}$ $\,$ U+A7C9 $\,$ LATIN CAPITAL LETTER S WITH SHORT STROKE OVERLAY $\,$

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U+A7CA LATIN SMALL LETTER S WITH SHORT STROKE OVERLAY

 \rightarrow A7A9 latin small letter s with oblique stroke

- Gaulish
- Komi, Kumyk, Tsakhur (historical orthographies)
- stroke may be diagonal, vertical or horizontal

Properties

A7C0;LATIN CAPITAL LETTER YERU;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7C1; A7C1;LATIN SMALL LETTER YERU;Ll;0;L;;;;N;;;A7C0;;A7C0 A7CB;LATIN CAPITAL LETTER KOMI CHA;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7CB;;A7CB A7CC;LATIN SMALL LETTER KOMI CHA;Ll;0;L;;;;N;;;A7CB;;A7CB A7CC;LATIN CAPITAL LETTER C WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7CC; A7CC;LATIN SMALL LETTER C WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7CC; A7CF;LATIN SMALL LETTER D WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D0; A7D0;LATIN SMALL LETTER D WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D0; A7D0;LATIN SMALL LETTER D WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D2; A7D1;LATIN CAPITAL LETTER L WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D2; A7D2;LATIN SMALL LETTER L WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D1;A7D1 A7D3;LATIN CAPITAL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D3;A7D3 A7D4;LATIN SMALL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D3;A7D3 A7D5;LATIN CAPITAL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D5;A7D3 A7D6;LATIN SMALL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D5;A7D5 A7D7;LATIN CAPITAL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D5;A7D5 A7D7;LATIN SMALL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D5;A7D5 A7D7;LATIN SMALL LETTER T WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D5;A7D5 A7D7;LATIN SMALL LETTER T REVERSED OPEN E WITH DESCENDER;Lu;0;L;;;;N;;;A7D7;;A7D7;A7D7

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5. Examples and Figures

| Fig. | . 1: Komi alphabet table, retrieved 2011-09-28 from |
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| | http://foto11.com/komi/docs/latin1930thfont.htm (http://foto11.com is an internet page |
| | dedicated to Komi culture). |

| Aa - a | Ff - ¢ | Nn - нь | Uu - y |
|---------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Вв - б | Gg - r | 00-0 | Vv - в |
| Сс-ц | і - н,і | Pp - n | Xx-x |
| Çç-ч | Jj − # | Rr - p | Zz - 3 |
| Ес - тш | Kk - ĸ | Ss - c | Zz - 36 |
| Dd - д | L1 - л | SS - Ch | 22 - * |
| Д - дь | Ц - ль | Ss - m | 33 - дж |
| Ee - 3 | Мт - м | Tt · T | 33 - дз |
| 0- ee | Nn - н | Tt -™ | Ьь - ы |

Алфавит Коми языка на латинской основе был официальным в 1930–1935. Алексей Грен (1862–1932), основатель Общества изучения

Fig. 2: Title page and excerpt from p.17 of a Komi grammar printed in 1933. The excerpt shows LATIN CAPITAL/SMALL LETTER KOMI CHA.



§ 6. Sьеz 8 da E.

Zadaça 45. Luddə viştsə. Gizə sijə tetradə. Gizikas kurəvtuslə uluşan 8 supassə ətik kurələn, a ε supassə kuk kurələn.

8kolaə loktikə.

Misa kotərtə skolaə. Қәz vыыn pukalə kaca. Misa çagokən supkis kacasə. Kaca leszis.

Zadaça 46. Gizə viştsə. Gizikas kərəvtəslə uləşan e səpassesə.

Eakjavtən.

Me radejta єakjavnь. Tən nolən vetlimə: Masa, Kaeko, Əndrej, Sura da me. Eupəta log dьnəз kajlim. Me єaksə tьr əkti dozjam.

Fig. 3: Showing the outer and inner title page of a book printed 1933. While both pages share the same content, different fonts are used. This proves the existence of considerable glyph variation regarding the positioning and shape of the descenders and the slanting angle of the stroke of LATIN CAPITAL LETTER WITH SHORT STROKE OVERLAY.

On the outer title page shown left, U+0044 LATIN CAPITAL LETTER D shows a mirrored glyph variant.



Fig. 4: Ibid., two excerpts from p.51 showing LATIN CAPITAL LETTER S WITH SHORT STROKE OVERLAY, having a vertical stroke in a bold font and a slanted stroke in a common font.



Fig. 5: Title page and sample page (p.85) of a Komi-Russian dictionary printed 1934. Note the glyph variation for LATIN CAPITAL LETTER L WITH DESCENDER on the sample page. Also, "Medeεaьs" contains a LATIN SMALL LETTER KOMI CHA. On the title page, the subtitle starts with LATIN CAPITAL LETTER D WITH DESCENDER.

| Had -0 PROEKT | L | |
|---|--|-------------------------------|
| OMI OBISPOLKOM BERDSA VIL ALFAVIT KOMITET | Ladmətəmlun, jirşəm Ladmətəmlun panəş, | Склока Склочник |
| Koma-3 81.664, 2-4 K63 | jirşış, ladmətəm Ləgaləm, ləgutəm, ləgkəskəm | Вражда |
| -1278302 hos | Ləşədçəm | Договор, согла- шение |
| | Lotajtəm, targajtəm Lu, forma | Разбазаривание Форма |
| KOMI ŢERMINOLOGIJA | Lъđ | Количество |
| SLOVAR | Lьdavist, lьddovtas Lьdpas | Перечень Цифра |
| (DELƏVƏJ GIZƏD KUZA) | Ludvula Boştam Ludvuluş Buradam, Buradam, yestam | Зачисление Упразднение |
| Г.П.Б. в Лнтра | Lujanpas Lujam | Мишень Расстрел |
| Ц. 1934 г. | Ļ | 1 |
| ANT NO TO | Lolakod adjas M | Черепашьи темпы |
| LI LESƏMA RUKOPIŞ PRAVAƏN | Mati verkud, mati | Приблизительно |
| | sь gəgər Medaləm | Наем |
| Андиональная | Meda us Medecass, medsa eca; med içət, med- | Наемный труд Минимальный |
| 1 | şa içət Med unaьş, medşa una; med gьгьş | Максимальный |
| 13.0-64 | Medvozsan, ponsan, vozsan, pervojsan | Сначала |
| Komi GIZ | Mezdəm | Освобождение, из- бавление |
| Sektevkar 1934 | | ξ |

Fig. 6: showing a song text by the Komi poet Victor Savin (Нёбдінса Виттор; Nobdinsa Vittor;Виктор Алексеевич Савин; 1888–1943). Note that all descenders are placed rightmost here. Retrieved 2011-09-28 from http://foto11.com/komi/art/singing/songsavin.shtml#more



Fig. 7: Title page, p.27 and p.32 from a book printed 1932 in Kudymkar, showing several letters with descender including LATIN CAPITAL/SMALL LETTER REVERSED OPEN E WITH DESCENDER.

| | - ²⁷ – Şug ə. | | VI | — з Ļ ком | | VIT | 1 |
|---|--|----|----|--------------|----|------------|------|
| T | Şuris kolxozə kulak Petra. Petra pondis şugnь uz kolxozьn. | Aa | Вв | Cc | Ç¢ | Ee | Dd |
| | Petra zugdis vundan masina. Guşən vartis tan. Unaəs petkətis kolxoziş. Çoza kazalis kolxoz şugəmsə Petraliş. Ku- | ₽d | Ee | Ðə | Ff | Gg | li . |
| ALL THE REAL PROPERTY AND ADDRESS OF A DECK | akəs kolxoz as dəniş vasətis. Petişşez bər pəri- ə kolxozə. Şin oşən pondis bədmənə kolxoz. | Jj | Kk | LI | 4 | Mm | Nn |
| | Udarnik Ţima. | Ŋŋ | 00 | Рр | Rr | Ss | Şş |
| VELƏTÇAN LISBOK | Bura Țima usalə коlxozьn. (ər toko Țima uzə? Asələn oş Țima ьв vələn. /undə masinaən коlxozьn. | Ss | Tt | Ţţ | Uu | Vv | Xx |
| 1927 I.a. Kudamkai Koki-Pierkackaj izdatelstvo | Koknita tərtə norma. Korə Tima vətçənə şəras mədik kolxoznikəs. Bəd usən Tima munə oşən. Kolxoz praznik lurə Timalə noznalisə sapoggez. | Zz | ζz | Zz | 33 | 3 3 | Ьь |

Fig. 8: Excerpt of page 22 from: Tupicьn, F. A.: Orfografija da Grammatika Upraznennoeza Sbornik. Vol. I: Naçalnəj Skola Ponda 1 da 2 Klassezlə. Kudьmkar 1936.

Marked red: LATIN CAPITAL/SMALL LETTER REVERSED OPEN E WITH DESCENDER Marked green: LATIN SMALL LETTER KOMI CHA See also the numerous LATIN SMALL LETTER C WITH DESCENDER in the two last lines.

63. Si3zə, kьз 62 №, toko pervo gizə seeəm kьvvez, kьtən em z, sьвəгьп kьtən з.

Mijan velətçan зыты ызыт. Zarən viзпы зытяр оz ləşav. Зозыя зытјая kraşitəm vez kraskaən. Ətik ştena vыып ет зазок.

64. Si3zə, kьз 62 №, toko pervo gizə kьvvez, kьtən ет викva ç, sьвəгьп kьtən з.

Зозод – gort pətка, eməş i vər зозодgez. Зиlim—исәtiк кајок, olə kussezьn. Me kazali kəç. Sija jirəm pipu каç. Uşkətçis kəсьs çassa kolasə.

| ISO/IEC JTC 1/SC 2/WG 2 | | | | |
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| A. Administrative | | | | |
| Proposal to encode Latin letters for the Komi Latin alphabet 2. Requester's name: Karl Pentzlin 3. Requester type (Member body/Liaison/Individual contribution): Individual Contribution 4. Submission date: 2019-07-09 5. Requester's reference (if applicable): 6. Choose one of the following: This is a complete proposal: Yes (or) More information will be provided later: Yes | | | | |
| B. Technical – General | | | | |
| 1. Choose one of the following: No a. This proposal is for a new script (set of characters): No Proposed name of script: No b. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block: Yes Name of the existing block: Latin Extended-D | | | | |
| 2. Number of characters in proposal: 16 | | | | |
| 3. Proposed category (select one from below - see section 2.2 of P&P document): A-Contemporary B.1-Specialized (small collection) C-Major extinct D-Attested extinct F-Archaic Hieroglyphic or Ideographic G-Obscure or questionable usage symbols 4. Is a repertoire including character names provided? Yes | | | | |
| a. If YES, are the names in accordance with the "character naming guidelines" in Annex L of P&P document? b. Are the character shapes attached in a legible form suitable for review? Yes | | | | |
| Fonts related: a. Who will provide the appropriate computerized font to the Project Editor of 10646 for publishing the standard? | | | | |
| Karl Pentzlin (on request) b. Identify the party granting a license for use of the font by the editors (include address, e-mail, ftp-site, etc.): Karl Pentzlin | | | | |
| 6. References: a. Are references (to other character sets, dictionaries, descriptive texts etc.) provided? Yes b. Are published examples of use (such as samples from newspapers, magazines, or other sources) of proposed characters attached? Yes | | | | |
| 7. Special encoding issues: Does the proposal address other aspects of character data processing (if applicable) such as input, presentation, sorting, searching, indexing, transliteration etc. (if yes please enclose information)? | | | | |
| 8. Additional Information: Submitters are invited to provide any additional information about Properties of the proposed Character(s) or Script | | | | |
| that will assist in correct understanding of and correct linguistic processing of the proposed character(s) or script. Examples of such properties are: Casing information, Numeric information, Currency information, Display behaviour information such as line breaks, widths etc., Combining behaviour, Spacing behaviour, Directional behaviour, Default Collation behaviour, relevance in Mark Up contexts, Compatibility equivalence and other Unicode normalization related information. See the Unicode standard at http://www.unicode.org for such information on other scripts. Also see Unicode Character Database (http://www.unicode.org for such information on other scripts. Also see Unicode Character Database (http://www.unicode.org/reports/tr44/) and associated Unicode Technical Reports for information needed for consideration by the Unicode Technical Committee for inclusion in the Unicode Standard. | | | | |
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C. Technical - Justification

| C. Technical - Justification | |
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| 1. Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before? | Yes |
| If YES explain See introduction | •••••• |
| 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.)? | Yes |
| If YES, with whom? Linguists, Librarians | |
| If YES, available relevant documents: see text | • |
| 3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example: | |
| size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included? | Yes |
| Reference: once used by several millions of people (see text) | |
| | cally common |
| Reference: see text | |
| 5. Are the proposed characters in current use by the user community? | Yes |
| If YES, where? Reference: see text (e.g. historians, librarians, linguists) | |
| 6. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P&P document must the proposed character | rs be entirely |
| in the BMP? | Yes |
| If YES, is a rationale provided? | Yes |
| If YES, reference: To keep them in line with already encoded chara | cters |
| 7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than being scattere | |
| 8. Can any of the proposed characters be considered a presentation form of an existing | |
| character or character sequence? | No |
| If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided? | |
| If YES, reference: | |
| 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? | |
| If YES, reference: | |
| 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? | |
| If YES, reference: (besides the long-standing fact that there are Cyrillic letter Latin ones) | ers similar to |
| 11. Does the proposal include use of combining characters and/or use of composite sequences? | No |
| If YES, is a rationale for such use provided? | |
| If YES, reference: | |
| Is a list of composite sequences and their corresponding glyph images (graphic symbols) provide | ded? |
| If YES, reference: | |
| 12. Does the proposal contain characters with any special properties such as | |
| control function or similar semantics? | No |
| If YES, describe in detail (include attachment if necessary) | |
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| 13. Does the proposal contain any Ideographic compatibility characters? | No |
| If YES, are the equivalent corresponding unified ideographic characters identified? | |
| If YES, reference: | |
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