With regard to the proposed solution to the Irish and Iranian comments on Amd. 2 of Part 1 of ISO/IEC 10646 (see N2565), further discussion has shown that despite the existence of a word *basmala* to describe the phrase, this word is not widely known and would not be an appropriate identifier for the character at U+FDFD.

Ireland and Iran provided conflicting comments on the spelling of the name of this character in the ballot on Amd. 2 of Part 1 of ISO/IEC 10646. Neither country thought that the spelling **ARABIC LIGATURE BISMILLAH ARRAHMAN ARRAHIM** was appropriate for this character name in the UCS.

Ireland proposed:

**ARABIC LIGATURE BISMILLAH AL-RAHMAN AL-RAHIM**

Iran proposed:

**ARABIC LIGATURE BESMELLAH ERRAHMAN ERRAHIM**

**ARABIC LIGATURE BESMELLAHERRAHMANERRAHIM**

Discussion of these options has yielded consensus on

**ARABIC LIGATURE BISMILLAH AR-RAHMAN AR-RAHEEM**

This differs from the ballotted name in two particulars: it inserts a hyphen between the article and noun in the last two words (satisfying the Irish comment), and it distinguishes between [i] <i> and [i:] <ee> (as suggested by the Iranian comments), using the same convention for the long vowel as is used for naming **MEEM, SHEEN, JEEM**, and so on. It also retains the spelling **BISMILLAH**, which is widely recognized as an English loanword.