LETTER OF RECOMMENDATION

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SUBJECT: Encoding of Myanmar alphabets in the Unicode

In order to encode the Myanmar alphabets in the ISO 10646 and the Unicode, we have reviewed and agreed with the proposals submitted to ISO by Myanmar Unicode and NLP Research Center, which is a research division of Myanmar Computer Federation [http://www.mcf.org.mm]. Myanmar Computer Federation is the non-profit organization as well as a non-governmental organization, formed by 1994 Myanmar Computer Development Law. MCF takes a leading role in ICT standardization in Myanmar.

We hope that the 2 proposals submitted Myanmar NLP Research Center to the ISO will be approved by both ISO and the Unicode Consortium with regard to the standardization of the Myanmar alphabets. I hope this recommendation letter is useful in respect of the purpose stated above.

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RECOMMENDATION

RE: Implementation of Myanmar Unicode, the 3rd generation Myanmar Language Software Standard

Regarding the 2 proposals¹ (documents numbers listed below) submitted to ISO by Myanmar Unicode and NLP Research Center about Myanmar alphabets in 2004, we (Mr. Tun Tint of Department of Myanmar Language Commission and I myself, representing Myanmar Computer Federation²), had a fruitful meeting with Mr. Annan Yasuhiro, in China several months ago.

The results of our meeting was same as the proposals submitted earlier. Myanmar Computer Federation believes that the 2 proposals submitted by Myanmar NLP Research Center to the ISO will be approved by both ISO and the Unicode Consortium with regard to the standardization of the Myanmar alphabets.

We trust and recommend Mr. Yasuhiro’s expertise on this matter.

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¹ (1) N2827 - Proposal of 4 Myanmar Semivowels
   (2) N2768 - Proposal of Myanmar Script Extensions: Mon, Shan, and Karen (Kayin)

² MCF is the national representative body for ICT standardization in Myanmar.