SUPPORT FOR TRANSCODING TO OUR MYAZEDI UNICODE CLIENTS

Re: N3043, Proposal to encode seven additional Myanmar characters in the UCS

I am Ngwe Tun, a software vendor of SOLVEWARE SOLUTION, one of the people who helped to write the proposal which the UTC and WG2 are evaluating. I am the first vendor in Myanmar of Myanmar Unicode fonts and related technologies. It is true that the font we released earlier is non-conformant, because it uses reserved code positions (U+1050~9F) and not Private Use Area. I regret this, but it solved problems we had at the time especially in the face of lack of support from international OS vendors. As a local vendor in Myanmar, I charged for Life-Time support to my customers, and part of my commitment to improving Unicode support for Myanmar will be to help them to transcode their data to the improved standard which has been proposed. Probably a lot of the web pages out there using the reserved code points are using my fonts or fonts based on those. The Transcoding of the data of my customers is really easy, though I can't directly support other font vendors products, we will make transcoding tools available so people can do it.

These are some of our customers who are using MyaZedi products;
www.myazedi.com
www.etrademyanmar.com
www.lexiconstar.com
www.myanmargoal.com
www.buddha-dhamma.org
www.spmyanmar.com
www.girlza.com/my.php
www.todaygroup.com.mm
www.mahasi.org

and there are many Myanmar content web sites which are also using them.

We have informed our customers that a proposal has been made to revise the Unicode standard which will improve Myanmar script if it is accepted. They have not expressed any disagreement and they agree to perform Transcoding when the standard is improved. We are hoping very much for the new standard and we want to implement it timely.

Sincerely

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