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Unicode Standard Announcement Letter

Myanmar Computer Federation (MCF) hereby announces that we fully support and endorse the Myanmar language related encodings and standards prescribed in the Unicode Standard.

The ISO-10646 standard, better known as the Unicode Standard, is the computing industry standard for the consistent encoding, representation and handling of text. The latest version of Unicode Standard contains a repertoire of more than 110,000 characters covering more than 100 scripts and various symbols.

(www.unicode.org/versions/Unicode6.3.0/)

We believe that the Unicode Standard fully supports the natural language processing of Myanmar text, which is crucial for our country inclusive socio-economic development. By having countrywide policy to adopt Unicode Standard, Myanmar will enable reliable searching, sorting, indexing, information retrieval and processing of Myanmar text, independent of fonts and keyboards.

Major technology companies (such as Microsoft, Apple, Google, Facebook, Canonical, etc.) have been adding built in supports and features for the Myanmar Unicode standard since a few years back. For example, MS-Windows 8, Mac OS X, Android 4.4, Ubuntu.

We request and call upon all vendors to build and develop Myanmar language related applications, tools and devices to be fully compliant with the Unicode Standard.

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