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The current U-Source for U+2B089 is UCI-00939 as shown as below, which means this character was once treated as a ghost character in IRG.

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UCI-00939

But now, we found new evidence and an explanation for this character which was used in the Chinese Teochew dialects (the Swatow vernacular included). The following image is cited from the article named *The Dialectical Characters in A Handbook of the Swatow Vernacular* (《〈汕头话读本〉的方言用字》) written by Dr. Huáng Shūfēn (黄淑芬).

節chat⁴[at⁴]：节。手指、竹子、甘蔗等物体各段之间相连的地方，用作量词。

According to the new evidence and the explanation, we now know that U+2B089 is not a ghost character, and it's suitable to change its reference to one that uses the UTC prefix.
We therefore have two options as provided below.
1) Leave UCI-00939 as-is and add a new U-Source character with the UTC prefix.
   UCI-00939 would have its data updated to include the cross-reference so the
   fact they are the same is documented.
2) Simply change UCI-00939 to UTC-00939.
The first option is clumsier but leaves a better paper trail, which is why we suggest the first option.

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