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The UTC (*Unicode Technical Committee*) and other experts in the US have been involved in the following standardization-related activities since IRG Meeting #64 took place:

1. [Unicode Version 17.0](#) was successfully released on 2025-09-09:
 - Five characters were added to the [Ideographic Symbols and Punctuation](#) block (U+16FF2 through U+16FF6).
 - 18 urgently-needed ideographs were appended to the CJK Unified Ideographs [Extension C](#) (6: U+2B73A through U+2B73F) and [Extension E](#) (12: U+2CEA2 through U+2CEAD) blocks, filling the former block.
 - 4,298 ideographs were added in the new [CJK Unified Ideographs Extension J](#) (U+323B0 through U+33479) block.
 - Four [Standardized Variation Sequences](#) (SVSes) for the Sibe (aka Mongolian) forms of the four quotation marks — U+2018, U+2019, U+201C, and U+201D — that use VS3 (*Variation Selector 3* or U+FE02) were added.
 - The [Unihan Database Lookup](#) page was updated for Unicode Version 17.0.
 - [UTN #43](#) (*Unihan Database Property “kStrange”*), [UTN #45](#) (*Unihan Property History*), and [UTN #50](#) (*KP-Source Property Value History*) were updated for Unicode Version 17.0.
 - The open source [Last Resort Font](#) project was updated for Unicode Version 17.0.
2. The Unihan database that is associated with Unicode Version 17.0 includes the following noteworthy changes (see [UAX #38](#) for more details):
 - The provisional *kGB7* and *kJa* properties were removed.
 - The new provisional *kTayNumeric* property was added.
 - The delimiter and description of the *kTotalStrokes* property were adjusted to allow only one property value.
3. A new version of the [IVD](#) (*Ideographic Variation Database*) was published on [2025-07-14](#) that registered the new [CAAPH](#) (*Culture and Art Publishing House*) IVD collection and its initial set of 198 IVSes.
4. UTC experts reviewed and submitted comments against the UTC-assigned portion of [IRG Working Set 2024 Version 3.0](#), specifically serial numbers 00001 through 01142, prior to the 2025-07-18 deadline, and will have responded to comments against UTC-submitted ideographs by the 2025-09-26 deadline.
5. The [UTC CJK & Unihan Working Group](#), which reports to the UTC, continues to meet approximately three weeks prior to each quarterly UTC meeting. See documents [L2/25-090](#) and [L2/25-186](#) for the CJK & Unihan Working Group recommendations that were prepared for the UTC Meetings #183 and #184, respectively. As a reminder, IRG experts are welcome to join the CJK & Unihan Working Group, which meets four times per year as a virtual (Webex) meeting. The next CJK & Unihan Working Group meeting, in preparation for the UTC Meeting #185, is scheduled to take place on 2025-10-10 from 6 to 9PM PDT (GMT Minus 7).

That is all.