

Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set
UCS

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As required by IRG#23 resolution, experts from Beijing Normal University (北京師範大學) and East China Normal University (華東師範大學) developed some samples of 3 Old Hanzi and submitted to the leader of Old Hanzi Experts Group in February. Chinese Old Hanzi experts met in February and April, they reviewed the samples and proposed some comments for modification and refined of classification principles of characters.

The Chinese version of ISO/IEC 10646: 2003 (GB 13000-200x) is finished and is expected to be released in late 2005 or early 2006.

The Ministry of Public Security has issued over 14 millions of ID cards with IC chips in the past year, the encoding of ideographs and Chinese minority nationalities' scripts is UCS or its transformation format(s).

General Administration of the Press and Publication is developing an industrial standard of coded character (ideograph) set, with CJK Unified ideographs and extensions in ISO/IEC 10646 as reference.

A Chinese Character Design and Research Center and a Chinese Ideograph Normalization Research Center were jointly founded by Ministry of Education and Founder Group and by Ministry of Education and Beijing Normal University in order to normalize Chinese ideographic glyphs and fonts management.