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1. Future Meetings

1.1. IRG Meeting #26(for information)

WG2 has approved IRG #26 to be held in Hue, Vietnam, 2006-06-5~9(confirmed in IRG 25).

1.2 IRG #27 - #29(for approval/endorsement)

IRG #27 Taipei, Taiwan (TCA), 2006-11-27 ~ 12-1

IRG #28 Hangzhou, China, May/June 2007 (to be confirmed later)

IRG #29 USA, end of 2007 (needs to confirm with authority)

2. Quality Assurance measures for CJK Extension work (for information /endorsement)

2.1 Adoption of IDS

The IRG has decided to adopt the Ideographic Description Sequence (IDS) Scheme (IRG N1153) for review of duplicated ideographs in CJK_C1 and future versions. Most of the IDS for the CJK characters in BMP and BIP are available in IRG for editorial work.

2.2. Maintenance of CJK Error List

The IRG has decided to maintain an internal list of errors found in CJK, CJK_A, CJK_B. The list includes all confirmed errors and arguments and shall be updated in a timely manner and maintained by the chief editor. A concise list of errors should be submitted by the chief editor to WG2 either upon WG2 request or IRG resolution.

3. CJK Ext C1 progress and plan (for information and possible instruction)

IRG #25 resolves to postpone CJK_C1 work (Targeted for WG2 #48 in previous approved schedule) with a target date of IRG# 27 to ensure quality submission. Review of C1 work has incorporated quality assurance measures which will be outlined in **Item 2**. Characters that are considered **stable** and can be measured by the assurance measures will be processed first. The definition of stable is defined as CJK_C1 characters that are reviewed at least three times without any dispute (different opinions by technical editors). The estimated number of these characters is about 5,000(Latest working version of the stable characters is 4,629 characters in CJK_C1 v60). All stable characters

will be checked against encoded CJK characters using both manual checking and IDS. Technical editors are also encouraged to use other effective methods they see fit. All remaining characters will be considered in CJK_C2.

4. Submission of CJK Strokes for inclusion in ISO 10646 (for discussion and acceptance)

The IRG has completed its “Proposed Addition to the CJK Strokes Block of the UCS” and the “Summary for Stroke Submission”. The documents are submitted to this WG2 for consideration (WG2 N3063). The total number of submitted symbols is 20.

5. Status Old Hanzi (for information)

Members have submitted samples of Old Hanzi for discussion at IRG #25. The IRG will focus on the development of Oracle Bone inscription repertoire with the proposed work plan to gather the set of Oracle Bone inscription characters categorized under the first 180 radicals of Shuowen Jiezi before 8th May, 2006. The IRG also resolves to use encoded UCS characters as the modern characters in the mapping of Old Hanzi to modern ideographs. The IRG further accepts the Expert Group’s proposal to improve the data exchange format by using XML.