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Report of Yi ad hoc committee.

References: WG2 N 1814, WG2 N 1821

The Yi ad hoc committee met to resolve outstanding issues regarding the resolution of comments for the Yi PDAM (Amendment 14 - WG2 N 1774). Attending were Ken Whistler (U.S.), Michael Everson (Ireland), Chen Zhuang (China) and another member of the Chinese delegation.

The ad hoc decided:

1. Bburx 1990 will be used as the reference to determine the order of the overall table for Yi syllables. This accomodates Ireland's Technical comment 1, except that vowel initial syllables will be ordered ahead of b. Ireland accepts this as a resolution for T1. China agrees to this resolution. The U.S. concurs.

2. Ireland's Technical comment 2 has two parts. The first requests the addition of more radicals to the list of Yi radicals. This comment is rejected. The list of radicals will stay as shown in the PDAM text. Ireland acquiesces to this disposition and agrees that the question of any more radicals could be dealt with in the context of a possible future proposal, and not as part of this amendment.

3. The second part of Ireland's Technical comment 2 questions some of the names in the Yi Radicals list. This comment is accepted in principle. Doing so implicitly involves rejecting a part of the Chinese comments on the PDAM, since they were expressed simply as a complete list of names. The detailed disposition of this issue is as follows:

A4B7 The proposed Chinese name change is rejected. The name stays YI RADICAL X

A4C7 The proposed Chinese name change is rejected. The name is changed instead to
YI RADICAL OP.

Justification: The proposed names are not possible Yi syllables, and do not follow the general principles by which the radical names were assigned.

A4B3, A4C1, A4C2, A4C3 The ad hoc committee cannot determine the validity of these names. They also appear not to be valid Yi syllables, but the committee could not determine what the names should be. We invite the Chinese national body to provide clarification about the status of the names for these four characters. In the meantime, the names as they stand in the PDAM text can stand, pending further clarification.

Ireland agrees that this accomodates its comments in part two of T2. China concurs with the changes for A4B7 and A4C7 and agrees to investigate the other radical names. The U.S. concurs with these changes.