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This is a summary to IRG Meeting No. 49(IRGN2260, WG2N4970 SC2N4594) and No. 50 (IRGN2290, WG2N4971, SC2 N4609)

1. Future Meetings: recommendations IRG M49.1 and IRG M50.1 (for Information and Approval)

The following gives the IRG future meeting schedules:

IRG #51	Hanoi, Vietnam, 2018-10-22/26, Approved
IRG #52	Hong Kong, 2019-05-13/17, for approval
IRG #53	China(Tentative), 2019-10-21/25, (location TBD) for approval

2. Extension G Work: IRG M49.2, IRG M50.2 (for Information and for Review)

IRG has followed its schedules for the review of Extension G work(IRG WS2015) including one round of review(IRGN2223) before IRG #49 for discussion in IRG #49. Another round of review (IRGN2269) was also conducted before IRG #50. Discussion in IRG #50 has also included the disposition comments from UCS project editor. IRG has already submitted the mapping table and revised font to UCS project editor by 2018.06.10 for code chart production of Extension G. IRG will wait for WG2 instruction for further works related to Ext. G.

3. IRG PnP: IRG M49.3 and IRG M50.4 (for Information and Feedback)

IRG PnP was revised twice to include description of derived simplified characters(Version 10, IRGN2275) and inclusion of version information of member submitted glyphs for better tracking(Version 11, IRGN2310). The latest version of IRGN2310 is submitted to SC2(SC2N4611 and WG2(WG2N4979)

4. IRG WDS update: IRG M49.4 (for Information)

IRG has accepted IWDS updates in UCV(IRGN2242) and NUCV(IRGN2243) examples with updated text(IRGN2234). IRG also accepts ROK's normalizations Version 1.1B (IRGN2226)¹.

5. Relexing IVD Unification Rules M49.5 (for Information)

In response to WG2 recommendation, IRG supplied revised text to UTC for consideration for revision in Section 2 of UTR-37.

6. Horizontal Extension Request from Vietnam: IRG M49.6 (for Information)

IRG provided feedback(IRGN2265) to Vietnam on its Horizontal Extension and expect Vietnam to follow up.

7. Glyph Change Request from Vietnam: IRG M49.7 (for Information)

IRG accepted glyph change requests of 10 V-source characters and ask Vietnam to submit the updated fonts to UCS editor through IRG Rapporteur.

8. Updated Glyphs of HB characters and remapping request: IRG M49.8 (for Information)

IRG accepts the glyph changes for HB characters submitted by HK government and updated mapping table of HKSCS-2016 . The HB font and the mapping talbe are already submitted to UCS project editor.

9. UK Source Reference Update: IRG M49.9 (for Information)

IRG agrees to separate characters from UK from “UTC-” to “UK-” from Ext. G collections.

10.Misc. updates: IRG M49.10 and IRG M50.9 (for Information)

IRG asks China to review some source revision comments. IRG accepts ROK glyph change for one character in Ext. F to match its original glyph. ROK should submit the revision to UCS editor by WG2#67.

11.IRG Working Set 2017: IRG M49.11 and IRG M50. (for Information)

IRG called for IRG WS 2017 submission after IRG #48 and made a pre-irg work consolidation for quality check. IRG agrees for submitters to update the submissions and make the WS 2017 Version 1.0 for review before IRG #50. IRG #50 accepts all submissions as they data are consider to have passed the 5% rule. IRG has now started formally on the review of WS 2017.

12.Proposal to add new IDC characters: IRG M49.12 (for Information)

IRG received a proposal to add 3 IDCs in IRG #49 and a revised version was submitted to UTC. In IRG #50, IRG considers two IDCs acceptable (taking into consideration of feedback from UTC), and ask the proposer to update (IRG#50, IRGN2293).

¹ ROK also submitted an updated Version 1.2(IRGN2303) to IRG #50. But, due to time limit, no review was conducted. IRG expects to review it in IRG #51.

13.Proposal to Develop CJK Regional Supplementary Ideographs in place of the current unified CJK ideograph development process: IRG M50.5 (for Information and Feedback)

IRG considers this proposal lacks sufficient details and some of the rationales may not be suited to replace the current unified CJK ideograph development process.

14.Proposal to remove UCS 2003 Glyphs: IRG M50.7 (for Information and Feedback)

IRG considers that single column representative glyphs are being used by vendors, and removing them may cause technical issues and thus, recommend not to remove it under a better solution is agreed upon.

15.: IRG M50.10 (for Information and Feedback/instruction)

IRG agrees that more liberal unifications should be applied to IRG WS2017. More unification examples will be added to IWDS while reviewing submitted characters, and unifiable variants are encouraged to be implemented with IVS method. IRG considers it very useful for WG2 and SC2 to give strict and clear instructions on more extensive use of IVS and IVD registration for ideograph variants, especially those used for personal names or character glyphs evolved due to individual variations in the long history of character writing. Examples of the latter would include vulgar variants, Small Seal variants and Lishu variants.

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