

L2/05-339

TO: Unicode Technical Committee  
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RE: Liaison report, Script Encoding Initiative, UC Berkeley Dept. of Linguistics

***Ongoing Work:***

*Lycian, Lydian, and Carian:* A proposal that combines these three is in the works by Michael Everson.

*Saurashtra:* I am currently soliciting feedback on the Saurashtra proposal from the Saurashtra community in India, using contacts provided by Prof. Peri Bhaskararao.

*Meitei:* I am trying to reach experts in India for feedback on the draft Meitei proposal. I have received confirmation they received my message, and await further response.

*Myanmar Extensions:* Pending arrangements from Myanmar, Michael Everson will make a trip there in 2006 to work on Myanmar script extensions (as proposed in N2827 and N2768).

*Byzantine Epigraphic symbols:* A letter from Joel Kalvesmaki, Assistant Editor at Dumbarton Oaks, has been submitted to the UTC, indicating their interest in proposing characters needed for publication of Byzantine epigraphic materials.

*Medieval (European) texts:* The lengthy preliminary proposal, L2/05-183, will be revised pending the receipt of additional funding from the University of Bergen and the Norwegian Research Council project.

*Script Research:* A visiting doctoral student at UC Berkeley is doing background research on the unencoded scripts for the SEI website--collecting information on where a script is used, which languages use it, and links to any fonts that are available. Once the material is vetted, it will be uploaded and available on the SEI website.

***Follow-up Activities:***

The epigraphical section of the Society of Biblical Literature is planning on holding a panel on the ancient Near Eastern scripts that need encoding in Unicode at its November 2006 meeting.

UNESCO's Initiative B@bel will be funding work on a N'ko font and for the collection of CLDR information. The project will run from November 2005 until April 2006.