

TO: Unicode Technical Committee
FROM: Deborah Anderson, Project Leader, Script Encoding Initiative, UC Berkeley
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RE: Liaison Report from UC Berkeley (Script Encoding Initiative)

This document serves as a summary of the UC Berkeley Script Encoding Initiative's recent activities.

Proposals currently submitted to the UTC that have involved SEI assistance:

- Old Bamum (by SEI – Michael Everson, Charles Riley, Konrad Tuchscherer)
- Batak (by SEI – Michael Everson)
- Manichaeic (by SEI – Michael Everson and Desmond Durkin-Meisterernst)
- Exploratory proposal to encode Germanicist, Nordicist, and other phonetic characters (Everson)
- Newton Alchemical Symbols proposal (Newman et al.)

Ongoing work continues on the following:

- Old Sundanese (proposal drafted)
- Chakma (proposal drafted, await information on additional characters)
- Pahawh Hmong (proposal drafted, await additional information)
- Old Hungarian (proposal written but alternative proposals have been submitted)
- Meroitic (work on proposal continues)
- Varang Kshiti (proposal drafted, await user feedback)
- Sorang Sompeng (proposal drafted, await user feedback)
- Pahawh Hmong (await additional information from user community)
- Kpelle and Bassa Vah (preliminary research on these scripts being conducted)
- Jurchen codechart and codecharts for Old Albanian alphabets
- Khojki, Takri, and Sharada scripts (proposals drafted)
- STIX proposal for various symbols (assisting in review of this work)
- Anatolian Hieroglyphs (proposal still under review)
- Ranjana (working with user community on a proposal)
- Work on a number of Indic scripts proposals (including Modi and Tirhuta extensions for Bengali)

Proposals for missing Greek papyrological signs, Byzantine Greek, and Palaeohispanic characters are being discussed. Deborah Anderson is encouraging additional participation from Egyptologists for future work on Ptolemaic signs, and is working with users to submit locale data to CLDR on modern scripts that were proposed through SEI. She has also submitted an application to NEH for funding to cover 2009-2011.