TITLE: Comments on the Editors' Disposition of Comment about FCD2375 and Draft FDIS2375

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Japan accepts almost all the Editors' Disposition of Comment about FCD2375. However, there remain some questionable items in the Editors' Disposition of Comment and Draft FDIS2375. Therefore, Japan requests the editors to clarify the questionable items and reflect these Japanese comments into the FDIS2375 text.

1. J-1 (FCD Clause 11.2.1)

Japan disagree with the editors about their rationale that RA-JAC is subordinate to and reports to RA instead of SC 2 for the following reasons:

1) According to FCD Clause 11.3.1, the subcommittee concerned with coded character sets (SC 2) appoints members of RA-JAC. If RA-JAC is subordinate to and reports to RA, "RA" should be the body that appoints the RA-JAC members. SC 2, which now becomes just related but a separate body, can only recommend the RA-JAC members to RA.

2) According to FCD Clause 11.4.2 and 11.4.3, responsibilities of RA-JAC include consideration of appeals received by RA and meditation between RA and appealing party. It is strange that a subordinate body considers and meditates appeals against the parent body.

2. J-2 (FCD Annex D, Clause D.2)

Japan accepts the editors' disposition in principle. But revised 8-bit code table in Draft FDIS Clause D.6 is strange a little. If it is really intended to contain "8-bit graphic character set not conformant to ISO/IEC 2022", shadows of code positions 0x00-0x20 and 0x7F should be erased.

3. J-4 (FCD Clause 13.6)

Now, Japan supports the editor's intention that an application of registration and its mapping can be reviewed separately.

But some part of the editors' disposition text may be based on misunderstanding of J-4.

Japanese intention to delete "and the mapping" was

1) When an application of registration includes a mapping, the mapping is one of inner part of the application.

2) When RA circulates the application, its mapping is automatically circulated as a part of the application.

3) The phrase "and the mapping" reminds that a mapping is an outer part of the application.

Therefore, Japan requests to delete these following sentences from the editors' disposition

text.

If "and the mapping" is deleted from the first paragraph of Clause 13.6, how will the mapping be circulated to the members of the subcommittee concerned with coded character sets for review? If the mapping is not circulated to the members for review, only the RA-JAC will be judging it for technical suitability. The editors believe that mappings should be reviewed by the RA-JAC and also by members of the subcommittee concerned with coded character sets to achieve maximum accuracy.

4. J-5 (FCD Annex F)

Japan accepts this editors' disposition of comment, and now supports the flowchart in Draft FDIS2375 Annex F. However, there remain some questionable items.

In the attached flowchart of Japanese voting, Japan added a phrase "Make Mapping in Machine-readable Form" into the Box 15.2:RA. Then by the discussion with Mr. Edwin F. Hart, Japan has noticed its misunderstanding; a machine-readable form of mapping shall be made by SA, not by RA.

However, through the Draft FDIS2375 (and FCD) it is not explicitly described that SA shall make the machine-readable form and shall serve it RA when an application of registration includes a mapping.

Therefore, Japan proposes a change of Draft FDIS2375 Annex A, Clause A.2.5 as follows.

A.2.5 The mapping to ISO/IEC 10646 shall be in machine-readable form. (A registration application <u>shall</u> include a printed copy of the mapping <u>equivalent to its machine-readable form. The machine-readable form shall be attached to the registration application.</u>)

5. J-6 (FCD Table of Contents)

J-6 only pointed out an error about the correspondence between Table of Contents and the main text about the title of FCD Clause 14.

This error remains in Draft FDIS Clause 13.

By the way, in Table of Contents "<u>1</u>SO/IEC 10646" is misspelled.

6. J-13 (FCD 10.1.1)

J-13 was accepted by the editors, but it is not applied into the Draft FDIS Clause 9.1.1.

7. J-20 (FCD Annex A, Clause A.2.11)

About the tabulation character defined in ISO/IEC 6429,

1) Its name is CHARACTER TABULATION (not HORIZONTAL TABULATION).

2) Its acronym is HT (not CT).

(See the latest version of ISO/IEC 6429.)

Therefore, Japan requests to rewrite the editors' disposition text as follows.

Accepted in principle. The actual wording will be "<u>CHARACTER TABULATION</u> (HT)"; a

similar change will be made later on in this same clause for CARRIAGE RETURN (CR) and LINE FEED (LF).

This editors' disposition of comment is not applied into Draft FDIS2375.

8. Other editorial errors (or questions) of Draft FDIS2375

    1)   Clause 3 Terms and definitions. Layout of each Clause is changed. Why?

    2)   Clause 17.2.3. Insert "See" before "clause 13" in the parentheses at the tail of the paragraph.

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