**Notes for Plenary Meetings
at IRG Meeting #30 in Busan, Republic of Korea**

PART 1

**Notes of Discussion at the Plenary Session
Held in the Morning of 9 June 2008**
Opening and Appointments

The plenary session started at 10:00 a.m.

The host of the meeting Korean Agency for Technology and Standards (KATS) welcomed all to Busan, the second largest city in Korea.

The Rapporteur highlighted the Agenda and asked participants to briefly introduce themselves.

After a roll call, the Rapporteur appointed Mr. Peter Cheng (HKSAR) to serve as the meeting secretary, Mr. Retarkgo Yan (HKSAR) as the drafting group leader and Mr. Wu Jian (China) the name card and email address collector.

The Rapporteur then reviewed the draft Agenda (N1403) and briefed members on schedules of meeting in the coming few days. The meeting unanimously approved the Agenda.
Activity Reports of Member Bodies

Chief Editors took turn to briefly present the salient points in their Activity Reports as follows:

China (N1409)
China's Ministry of Education was refining 'The Table of Normalised Chinese Characters', which contained some 8 800 characters. Un-encoded characters in the table had been submitted and included in either CJK Extension D or UNC.
Hong Kong SAR (N1410)
Six newly accepted characters in the Hong Kong Supplementary Character Set (HKSCS) were not yet included in the ISO 10646 Standard. HK had submitted these characters for inclusion. Earlier on 31 March 2008, the HKSAR Government promulgated 'Revised Principles for the Inclusion of Characters in the HKSCS', with a view to promoting a wider adoption of the ISO 10646

Standard in HK.

Japan (N1411)
Japan's Ministry of Economy, Trade and Industry was finalising its study on the real usage of Kanji (Hanzi) glyphs for Japanese e-government. Japan would submit new proposals to the IRG based on the findings of this study.

Macao SAR (N1421)
Macao SAR was absent from the meeting and its activity report was read out by the Rapporteur. Macao's Committee for Unification of Computer Chinese Character Encoding was working hard to publish its 'Macao Information Systems Character Set'.

The Chinese Language Standardisation Council of Malaysia (N1418)
The main objective of the Council was to standardise the Malaysian Chinese language and encouraging the use of standard Chinese in the Chinese community and the mass media. The Council was to submit two characters at this IRG meeting (see N1455).

Republic of Korea (ROK)(N1412)
ROK had revised fonts for its characters in CJK Extension B. It had appointed a new Chief Editor, namely Dr Mi-young KANG.

Taipei Computer Association (TCA) (N1413)
CNS 11643-3 'Stroke Classification for Chinese Characters' had been adopted in a learning programme for stroke order of frequently used Chinese characters.

US/Unicode (N1414)
The Unicode Standard version 5.1.0 had been published and Ideographic Variation Selectors (IVS) were officially recognised in this release.

Vietnam (N1419)
Vietnam was absent from the meeting and its activity report was read out by the Rapporteur. Vietnam had suggested opening CJK Extension E to include new characters from member bodies.

Review of IRG #29 Resolutions (N1377)
The plenary session reviewed the resolutions made at the last IRG meeting and noted that HK might swap with China to host IRG#31 and another Chinese city might replace Chongqing as the host city of IRG#32.

Main Discussion Items During IRG #30

Main items to be discussed at this meeting included CJK Extension B and Extension D, Multiple Column Format for Ideograph Charts, the review of Annex S, the UNC project (including HKSAR's submission N1405) and the formulation of IRG Principles and Procedures.

Review of WG 2 Meeting #52 Resolutions (N1415)

WG2M52 Resolutions related to the IRG included M52.2 Items j, k and l (Disposition of FPDAM5 Ballot Comments); M52.4 (Additions to Principles and Procedures); M52.14 (Japanese TV Symbols); M52.26 (Multiple Column Format for Ideograph Charts) and M52.27 (IRG Matters).

SC2 Chair invited member bodies to take note of WG2 N3441 (Proposed Changes to Principles and Procedures).

Close of Meeting

The plenary session closed at 12:00 noon. CJK Editorial Group would meet at 1:30 p.m. after the lunch break.

PART 2

Notes of Discussion at the Plenary Session
Held in the Afternoon of 11 June 2008

The plenary session started at 1:35 p.m.

Dr Ken Lunde gave a presentation on Ideographic Variation Sequences (IVS)(N1435). He also demonstrated the operation of IVS.

Dr Richard Cook then gave a presentation on Character Description Language (CDL) Tool (N1449).

The Rapporteur reviewed the updated Agenda (N1403) and briefed the participants on the progress so far. The Rapporteur also discussed the meeting schedule for the days to come to deal with outstanding as well as new issues and new documents.

The Rapporteur further told the meeting that Lijiang in Yunnan had been proposed as the host city to replace Chongqing in Sichuan.

Close of Meeting

The plenary session closed at 2:45 p.m.

PART 3

**Notes of Discussion at the Plenary Session
Held in the Afternoon of 13 June 2008**

The plenary session started at 2:50 p.m.

Details of the Coming Meeting

The next IRG meeting would be hosted by China in Kunming, Yunnan (other cities considered were Lijiang, Shanghai and Wuhan). At the request of ROK, meeting dates had been changed to 10 November to 14 November 2008.

Agenda Item 7.9--Remainder of 'UNC Submissions'
Member bodies did not have any comments. This item would be reviewed at IRG #31.
Approval of the Resolutions (N1450)
The Resolutions were examined item by item, with leaders of each ad hoc group making a briefing on their respective work reports.

Close of Meeting
With the passage of the Resolutions (N1450), IRG #30 closed at 4:05 p.m. on 13 June 2008.

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