

Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set

UCS

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1. The “Computer Chinese Character Encoding Workgroup” of Macao SAR was formally established in April 2008. The Director of Public Administration and Civil Service Bureau (SAFP) is the workgroup coordinator. The representatives come from the following public departments in Macao: Public Administration and Civil Service Bureau, Legal Affairs Bureau, Identification Bureau, Civic and Municipal Affairs Bureau, University of Macau, Macau Polytechnic Institute, Financial Services Bureau, and Education and Youth Affairs Bureau.
2. During this year, the Workgroup has been working in full effort to establish and publish the “Macao Information Systems Character Set”¹ standard. After the standard is formally published, we will submit the Macao Supplementary Character Set (MSCS) to the IRG.
3. In the coming year, we are going to arrange related administrative and technical facilities, such as working guidelines, fonts, web site, etc, to help successfully implement the unification framework, and further promote the ISO 10646 standard to the public.

¹ “Macao Information Systems Character Set” is a character set that Macao public departments will use to exchange information. It is based on ISO/IEC 10646 standard plus the characters in Macao Supplementary Character Set (MSCS).

4. Due to intensive working schedule, we sincerely apologize not be able to join the IRG#31 meeting. Any input / changes for Macao characters, please contact our Committee's members: Mr Simon Chan (kmchan@safp.gov.mo) and Mr Clement Chau (cchau@safp.gov.mo) before any decision is made. Once again, we greatly appreciate the effort of all IRG members.

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