## Universal Multiple-Octet Coded Character Set UCS

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- In order to solve the arguments on encoding the Small Seal Script, TCA/CMEX hosted an ad-hoc meeting during August 28-29, 2017 on Taipei. The participants include experts whose came from Taiwan, China, Japan and US. Ms. Selena Wei, Ms. Wang Xiaoming, Mr. Toshiya Suzuki and Mr. Richard Cook had submitted their contributions to the meeting. The major conclusions of the meeting are as follows:
  - (1) There is unanimous agreement that Shuowen Seal characters should be encoded as a separate script, in a new block, independent of CJKUI.
  - (2) As a separate script, CJKUI guidelines (such as Annex S) will not apply, but new rules will be developed and documented in the process of determining the repertory.
  - (3) There is agreement that 藤花樹本 may serve as "baseline", for the determination of the repertory (the number of rows / code points), and for production of a single-column chart in 藤花樹本 glyph style.

Further information please refer to WG2n4853.

- 2. TCA had quickly reviewed the proposal for IRG Working Set 2017 from member bodies, we found some problems:
  - (1) There have no evidences provided, and no suitable references.
  - (2) There has no qualified evidences provided (i.e., one image per ideograph).
  - (3) Some evidences cannot be opened, and found lots of duplicated ideographs,

For improving member bodies' proposals of IRG-WS 2017, TCA would like to suggest delaying the submission of proposals to after IRG#49 meeting.

3. On the IRG WS 2015 review, TCA experts believe that the character set is not yet stable and recommends re-examining a round.

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