

Subject: Re: [irgeditors] Draft for the handling of modern self-created characters
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Dr Lu,

1. The title (Rules to Restrict the Encoding of Modern "Self-created Characters") is unnecessarily prohibitive. A more neutral title such as "Rules for Handling the Encoding of Modern "Self-created Characters"" would be better.
2. The term "self-created characters" is problematic, as discussed in Eiso Chan's feedback document, and needs to be clearly defined. Consider avoiding the term "self-created characters".
3. The scope of the term "modern" is unclear, and needs to be defined.
4. IRG has managed for almost 30 years without rules for self-created characters, and I am not convinced that such rules need to be added to the PnP now. I believe that the most important factor when evaluating characters for encoding is whether or not there is satisfactory evidence of textual usage in printed matter, and the genesis of the characters should not be an important consideration. In my opinion, adding these rules to the IRG PnP would be unnecessarily restrictive. Rephrasing these as "guidelines" may be acceptable, but I could not support adding "rules" such as these to the IRG PnP.

Andrew

On Thu, 28 Jul 2022 at 12:05, irgeditors@ml.comp.polyu.edu.hk wrote:

Dear IRG editors,

Attached please find my draft on this subject as instructed by IRG according to IRG recommendation IRG M58.8. Please give me your feedback latest two weeks before IRG #59 meeting. Sorry for the delay.

Best regards,

Lu Qin