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Title: Proposal to encode seven Cham characters in the BMP of the UCS **UC Berkeley Script Encoding Initiative (Universal Scripts Project)** Source:

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1. Character additions. This document requests the addition of four new Cham characters to the UCS. Five of these letters represent final consonants, one represents a fossilized syllable, and one is a punctuation character. If this proposal is accepted, the following characters will be encoded:

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AA3B
             CHAM LETTER FINAL PH
       N
AA3C
          ת
             CHAM LETTER FINAL B
       20
AA3D
             CHAM LETTER FINAL M
       B
AA3E
             CHAM LETTER FINAL V
          なり
AA3F
             CHAM LETTER FINAL S
AA4F
       พด หา CHAM LETTER NUN
AA5B
          ٢
             CHAM TANA PATOK SAP
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• repetition sign

The original proposal for the Cham script relied heavily on available resources at the time. The Eastern Cham variety of the script and Eastern Cham language resources were more plentiful. As more resources become widely available for Western Cham, as used in Cambodia, examples of characters not covered by the original proposal are more accessible. In this document, the Eastern Cham glyphs are shown on the left (this is the code chart style) and the Western Cham glyphs to the right.

Western Cham has adopted loan words from Malay, Khmer, Arabic and other languages. Additional final consonants have been added to the Cham character repertoire to write these words.

The additional Cham characters covered by this proposal fall into two groups:

- 1. Pre-existing characters in use within Cambodia, and
- 2. Characters added to Western Cham by the Cham Language Advisory Committee (2011-2012) in Cambodia, and subsequently the characters have been in use in Cham literacy programs and are used in Cham literacy materials.
- 2. Final consonants. Five additional explicit final consonants are required by Western Cham, as used in Cambodia: PH, B, M, V, and S.

U+AA3B of the Cham Letter final ph is the final form of U+AA1C of the Cham Letter pha. This letter was added by the Cham Language Advisory Committee to represent a final "f" sound in loan words. See Figure 1.

U+AA3C & W CHAM LETTER FINAL B is the final form of U+AA1D & V CHAM LETTER BA. This letter was added to the Western Cham repertoire by the Cham Language Advisory Committee to distinguish and differentiate separate sounds that were originally represented by U+AA47 & CHAM LETTER FINAL P. See Figure 2.

U+AA3D \(\mathcal{D} \) \(\mathcal{V} \) CHAM LETTER FINAL M is the final form of U+AA1F \(\sigma \) \(\mathcal{V} \) CHAM LETTER MUE. See Figure 3.

U+AA3E YO W CHAM LETTER FINAL V is the final form of U+AA25 YO W CHAM LETTER VA. This letter has a long established use in Western Cham in Cambodia but has no corresponding character in Vietnam. See Figure 4.

U+AA3F or so cham letter final s is the final form of U+AA27 or so cham letter sa. Western Chauses uses final s instead of using U+AA4B of cham letter final ss, which fell out of traditional usage in Cambodia. In Cambodia, final s is used in contexts that in Vietnam would see final ss used. See Figure 5.

- 3. CHAM LETTER NUN. U+AA4F & CHAM LETTER NUN is used to represent a complete syllable. The glyph is based on what appears to be a ligature of U+AA17 & CHAM LETTER NUE. and U+AA46 & PCHAM LETTER FINAL N. Ligation is not a productive feature of Cham, so this fossilized form should be encoded uniquely. This character was not one of the additions of the reform, but is a pre-existing character. It is treated as part of the Cham alphabet, placed in the same column as the independent vowels. In Cham language classes in Cambodia it is taught as a specific letter of the Cham alphabet. The age of this character is currently unknown; many books and manuscripts were destroyed during the Khmer Rouge Period and the community have been attempting to recover their literary past. It is currently used to represent the word nun 'that'. See Figure 6.
- **4. Repetition sign.** Western Cham documents in Cambodia use a repetition sign U+AA5B \sim 7 TANA PATOK SAP. Its function in Cham is similar to the function of U+17D7 \mathfrak{V} LEK TOO in Khmer. See Figure 7.

5. Unicode Character properties

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AA3B; CHAM LETTER FINAL PH; Lo; 0; L;;;; N;;;;;

AA3C; CHAM LETTER FINAL B; Lo; 0; L;;;; N;;;;;

AA3D; CHAM LETTER FINAL M; Lo; 0; L;;;; N;;;;

AA3E; CHAM LETTER FINAL V; Lo; 0; L;;;; N;;;;

AA4F; CHAM LETTER FINAL S; Lo; 0; L;;;; N;;;;

AA4F; CHAM LETTER NUN; Lo; 0; L;;;; N;;;;

AA5B; CHAM SIGN TANA PATOK SAP; Lm; 0; L;;;; N;;;;
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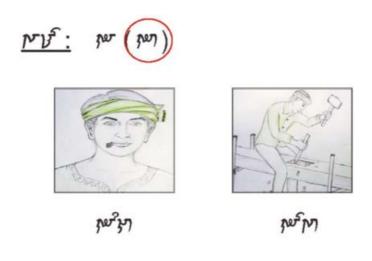


Figure 1. Example showing CHAM FINAL LETTER PH in use.

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Figure 2. Example showing CHAM FINAL LETTER B in use.

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Figure 3. Example showing CHAM FINAL LETTER M in use.



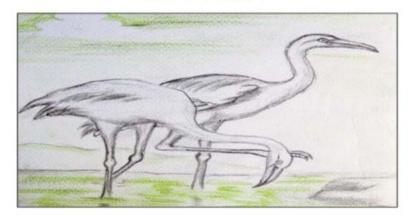
Figure 4. Example showing CHAM FINAL LETTER V in use.

Figure 5. Example showing CHAM FINAL LETTER S in use.

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Figure 6. Example showing CHAM LETTER NUN in use.

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Figure 7. Example showing CHAM TANA PATOK SAP in use.

A. Administrative

1. Title

Proposal to encode seven Cham characters in the BMP of the UCS

2. Requester's name

Script Encoding Initiative (authors: Michael Everson and Andrew Cunningham)

3. Requester type (Member body/Liaison/Individual contribution)

Liaison contribution.

4. Submission date

2016-04-25

- 5. Requester's reference (if applicable)
- 6. Choose one of the following:

6a. This is a complete proposal

Yes.

6b. More information will be provided later

No.

B. Technical - General

1. Choose one of the following:

1a. This proposal is for a new script (set of characters)

No.

1b. Proposed name of script

1c. The proposal is for addition of character(s) to an existing block

Yes.

1d. Name of the existing block

Nko.

2. Number of characters in proposal

7.

3. Proposed category (A-Contemporary; B.1-Specialized (small collection); B.2-Specialized (large collection); C-Major extinct; D-Attested extinct; E-Minor extinct; F-Archaic Hieroglyphic or Ideographic; G-Obscure or questionable usage symbols)

Category A.

4a. Is a repertoire including character names provided?

Yes

4b. If YES, are the names in accordance with the "character naming guidelines" in Annex L of P&P document?

Yes.

4c. Are the character shapes attached in a legible form suitable for review?

Yes.

5a. Who will provide the appropriate computerized font (ordered preference: True Type, or PostScript format) for publishing the standard? **Michael Everson.**

5b. If available now, identify source(s) for the font (include address, e-mail, ftp-site, etc.) and indicate the tools used:

Michael Everson. Fontlab.

6a. Are references (to other character sets, dictionaries, descriptive texts etc.) provided?

No.

6b. Are published examples of use (such as samples from newspapers, magazines, or other sources) of proposed characters attached?

Yes.

7. Does the proposal address other aspects of character data processing (if applicable) such as input, presentation, sorting, searching, indexing, transliteration etc. (if yes please enclose information)?

Yes.

8. Submitters are invited to provide any additional information about Properties of the proposed Character(s) or Script that will assist in correct understanding of and correct linguistic processing of the proposed character(s) or script.

See above.

C. Technical - Justification

1. Has this proposal for addition of character(s) been submitted before? If YES, explain.

No.

2a. Has contact been made to members of the user community (for example: National Body, user groups of the script or characters, other experts, etc.)?

Yes.

2b. If YES, with whom?

Andrew Cunningham.

2c. If YES, available relevant documents

3. Information on the user community for the proposed characters (for example: size, demographics, information technology use, or publishing use) is included?

Users of Cham.

4a. The context of use for the proposed characters (type of use; common or rare)

Common.

4b. Reference

5a. Are the proposed characters in current use by the user community?

Yes.

5b. If YES, where?

In Cambodia.

6a. After giving due considerations to the principles in the P&P document must the proposed characters be entirely in the BMP?

Yes

6b. If YES, is a rationale provided?

Yes.

6c. If YES, reference

Keep with other Cham characters.

7. Should the proposed characters be kept together in a contiguous range (rather than being scattered)?

No.

8a. Can any of the proposed characters be considered a presentation form of an existing character or character sequence?

No.

8b. If YES, is a rationale for its inclusion provided?

8c. If YES, reference

9a. Can any of the proposed characters be encoded using a composed character sequence of either existing characters or other proposed characters?

No.

10a. Can any of the proposed character(s) be considered to be similar (in appearance or function) to an existing character?

No.

11a. Does the proposal include use of combining characters and/or use of composite sequences?

Yes.

11b. If YES, is a rationale for such use provided?

Yes.

11c. If YES, reference

One of the characters is a combining character.

11d. Is a list of composite sequences and their corresponding glyph images (graphic symbols) provided?

Nο.

12a. Does the proposal contain characters with any special properties such as control function or similar semantics?

No.

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6	AA06	7 57	م رم	္နဲ့ AA36	D AA46	AA56
7	\$37 AA07	AA17	AA27		S AA47	SS AA57
8	CA08	AA18	AA28		YY AA48	AA58
9	ر ح AA09	AA19	S AA29		AA49	S AA59
Α	3 9	AA1A	S AA2A		AA4A	
В	3 9 AA0B	3 5 AA1B	AA2B	AA3B	۹ AA4B	S AA5B
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F	AA0E AA0F	AA1E AA1F	AA2E AA2F	AA3E AA3F	AA4F	AA5E

Independent vowels

AA00	ಧ್ಯ	CHAM LETTER A
AA01	೮	CHAM LETTER I
AA02	်	CHAM LETTER U
AA03	જુ	CHAM LETTER E
AA04	\mathcal{C}	CHAM LETTER AI
AA05	ล	CHAM LETTER O

Consonants

AA07 m CHAM LETTER KHA AA08 $\,_{\,\,\,}^{\,\,}$ CHAM LETTER GA AA09 vm CHAM LETTER GHA AAOA 37 CHAM LETTER NGUE AAOB y CHAM LETTER NGA AAOC ~ CHAM LETTER CHA AAOE SM CHAM LETTER JA AA0F & CHAM LETTER JHA AA10 & CHAM LETTER NHUE AA11 @ CHAM LETTER NHA AA12 😭 CHAM LETTER NHJA AA13 👸 CHAM LETTER TA AA14 & CHAM LETTER THA AA15 & CHAM LETTER DA AA16 & CHAM LETTER DHA AA17 & CHAM LETTER NUE AA18 % CHAM LETTER NA AA19 & CHAM LETTER DDA AA1A or CHAM LETTER PA AA1B 30 CHAM LETTER PPA AA1C & CHAM LETTER PHA AA1D & CHAM LETTER BA AA1E om CHAM LETTER BHA AA1F 💀 CHAM LETTER MUE AA21 😽 CHAM LETTER BBA AA22 ຫຼື CHAM LETTER YA AA23 ా CHAM LETTER RA AA24 ~ CHAM LETTER LA AA25 v CHAM LETTER VA AA26 & CHAM LETTER SSA AA27 ~ CHAM LETTER SA

Dependent vowel signs

AA28 " CHAM LETTER HA

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AA29	ೆ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN AA
AA2A	ੈ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN I
AA2B	ಿ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN II
AA2C	ੈ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN EI
AA2D	્ર	CHAM VOWEL SIGN U
AA2E	ੱ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN OE
AA2F	? ○	CHAM VOWEL SIGN O
AA30	९ ०	CHAM VOWEL SIGN AI
AA31	૿ૼ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN AU
AA32	ં,	CHAM VOWEL SIGN UE

Consonant signs

AA33	್ಯಂ	CHAM CONSONANT SIGN YA
AA34	্	CHAM CONSONANT SIGN RA
AA35	O,	CHAM CONSONANT SIGN LA
AA36	Q,	CHAM CONSONANT SIGN WA

Final letters

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AA3B	S	CHAM LETTER FINAL PH			
AA3C	ಬ	CHAM LETTER FINAL B			
AA3D	0.0	CHAM LETTER FINAL M			

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AA3E 🕠 CHAM LETTER FINAL V
    CHAM LETTER FINAL S
AA3F
AA40 m
         CHAM LETTER FINAL K
AA41 \,\varpi\, CHAM LETTER FINAL G
AA42 33 CHAM LETTER FINAL NG
AA43 ~
         CHAM CONSONANT SIGN FINAL NG
AA44 🔗
        CHAM LETTER FINAL CH
AA45 ⊗
         CHAM LETTER FINAL T
AA46 🔊
         CHAM LETTER FINAL N
AA47
         CHAM LETTER FINAL P
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AA48 vn
         CHAM LETTER FINAL Y
AA49
         CHAM LETTER FINAL R
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AA4A 🖘
         CHAM LETTER FINAL L
AA4B
         CHAM LETTER FINAL SS
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AA4C
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AA4D ? CHAM CONSONANT SIGN FINAL H
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Consonants

AA4F and CHAM LETTER NUN

Digits

AA50	0	CHAM DIGIT ZERO
AA51	9	CHAM DIGIT ONE
AA52	Ø	CHAM DIGIT TWO
AA53	S.	CHAM DIGIT THREE
AA54	ح	CHAM DIGIT FOUR
AA55	g	CHAM DIGIT FIVE
AA56	S	CHAM DIGIT SIX
AA57	<i>જ</i>	CHAM DIGIT SEVEN
AA58	જુ	CHAM DIGIT EIGHT
AA59	ဃ	CHAM DIGIT NINE

Various signs

AA5B	~	CHAM SIGN TANA PATOK SAP
		• repetition sign
		→ 0E46 η thai character maiyamok

Punctuation

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AA5C	9	CHAM PUNCTUATION SPIRAL
AA5D	1	CHAM PUNCTUATION DANDA
AA5E	η	CHAM PUNCTUATION DOUBLE DANDA
AA5F	η	CHAM PUNCTUATION TRIPLE DANDA

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6	AA05	V	AA25	AA35	3-7 3-7	AA55
7	AA06	AA16	AA26	AA36	AA46	AA56
8	AA07	AA17	AA27		AA47	AA57
9	AA08	AA18	AA28		AA48	AA58
Α	195	AA19	AA29		AA49	AA59
В	382	AA1A	AA2A	zen	AA4A	7
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Independent vowels

AA00	şr	CHAM LETTER A
AA01	ന്ദ	CHAM LETTER I
AA02	9	CHAM LETTER U
AA03	ଂଖ	CHAM LETTER E
AA04	£13	CHAM LETTER AI
AA05	33	CHAM LETTER O

Consonants

AA06	٦	CHAM LETTER KA
AA07	יקיו	CHAM LETTER KHA
AA08	or	CHAM LETTER GA
AA09	¥	CHAM LETTER GHA
AA0A	w	CHAM LETTER NGUE
AA0B	'n	CHAM LETTER NGA
AA0C	<u>የ</u>	CHAM LETTER CHA
AA0D	ኤ	CHAM LETTER CHHA
AA0E	\$pr	CHAM LETTER JA
AA0F	<i>55</i>	CHAM LETTER JHA
AA10	ஷ	CHAM LETTER NHUE
AA11	æ	CHAM LETTER NHA
AA12	Œ	CHAM LETTER NHJA
AA13	የኬ	CHAM LETTER TA
AA14	v	CHAM LETTER THA
AA15	$\boldsymbol{\mathcal{V}}$	CHAM LETTER DA
AA16	\mathcal{F}	CHAM LETTER DHA
AA17	r	CHAM LETTER NUE
AA18	3r	CHAM LETTER NA
AA19	ŗ	CHAM LETTER DDA
AA1A	\$V	CHAM LETTER PA
AA1B	V	CHAM LETTER PPA
AA1C	w	CHAM LETTER PHA
AA1D	V	CHAM LETTER BA
AA1E	¥	CHAM LETTER BHA
AA1F	प्र	CHAM LETTER MUE
AA20	ਮ੍ਹ	CHAM LETTER MA
AA21	ਸ਼	CHAM LETTER BBA
AA22	יע	CHAM LETTER YA
AA23	5	CHAM LETTER RA
AA24	ፔ	CHAM LETTER LA
AA25	ĸ	CHAM LETTER VA
AA26	စှာ	CHAM LETTER SSA
AA27	å.	CHAM LETTER SA
AA28	38-	CHAM LETTER HA

Dependent vowel signs

AA29	ું	CHAM VOWEL SIGN AA
AA2A	ૺ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN I
AA2B	ૺૺ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN II
AA2C	ૺૼ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN EI
AA2D	G	CHAM VOWEL SIGN U
AA2E	ੱ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN OE
AA2F	್	CHAM VOWEL SIGN O
AA30	ु	CHAM VOWEL SIGN AI
AA31	ំ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN AU
AA32	\circ	CHAM VOWEL SIGN UE

Consonant signs

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Final letters

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AA3B	רשנ	CHAM LETTER FINAL PH
AA3C	ת	CHAM LETTER FINAL B
AA3D	भ्रा	CHAM LETTER FINAL M

AA3E	ฆ	CHAM LETTER FINAL V
AA3F	r)	CHAM LETTER FINAL S
AA40	ויון	CHAM LETTER FINAL K
AA41	๗	CHAM LETTER FINAL G
AA42	ושנו	CHAM LETTER FINAL NG
AA43	Ó	CHAM CONSONANT SIGN FINAL NG
AA44	וצ	CHAM LETTER FINAL CH
AA45	вb7	CHAM LETTER FINAL T
AA46	भा	CHAM LETTER FINAL N
AA47	ריק	CHAM LETTER FINAL P
AA48	ריע	CHAM LETTER FINAL Y
AA49	ภ	CHAM LETTER FINAL R
AA4A	ħ	CHAM LETTER FINAL L
AA4B	ମ	CHAM LETTER FINAL SS
AA4C	ં	CHAM CONSONANT SIGN FINAL M
AA4D	ា	CHAM CONSONANT SIGN FINAL H

Consonants

AA4F	भुभ	CHAM	LETTER	NUN
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Digits

AA50	0	CHAM DIGIT ZERO
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Punctuation

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AA5C	9	CHAM PUNCTUATION SPIRAL
AA5D	,	CHAM PUNCTUATION DANDA
AA5E	;;	CHAM PUNCTUATION DOUBLE DANDA
AA5F	111	CHAM PUNCTUATION TRIPLE DANDA