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Background:

Recent ballot responses to newer parts of ISO/IEC 8859 (see for example attached comments on ISO/IEC FCD 8859-16 in SC2/N3219 from national bodies such as Poland, the UK and Canada), indicate that there is a need for updating the common text used in the different parts of ISO/IEC 8859.

The comments are related to the sixth paragraph in the Scope section used as a template used in all published parts of 8859, which is outdated. Several of the newer parts of ISO/IEC8859 are NOT reflected in ISO/IEC10367, and there are NO plans to revise ISO/IEC 10367 at this time, nor is it considered wise to revise it. Even if ISO/IEC 10367 gets revised some day, the following suggested modification will still be valid into the future.

Canada has suggested the following modification to the above paragraph in the newer parts, and to keep the common text consistent in all parts of ISO/IEC 8859, proposes the same editorial changes be made also to all published parts of ISO/IEC 8859. The changes have no technical implications on existing parts.

Proposed editorial corrigendum text:

Change the second sentence in the sixth paragraph in the scope of each part of ISO/IEC 8859 to read:

".... 10367, or their corresponding G1 sets from '*ISO International Register of Coded Character Sets to be Used With Escape Sequences*', should be used "

(Note that the reference to ISO-IR is already in the Bibliography section, and should be sufficient.)

Actions for WG3:

Canada requests WG3 to consider and approve the above corrigendum and request SC2 to process it further as editorial corrigenda to all the published parts of ISO/IEC 8859, and adopt the revised text as part of the common text for any revisions (current and future) of existing parts or in the creation of any newer parts of ISO/IEC 8859.