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To: Unicode Technical Committee
Subject: Emoji Variation Sequences List
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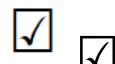
Many emoji in the core emoji set are represented by (unified with) pre-6.0 Unicode characters or sequences, whose range of presentations may include:

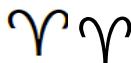
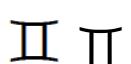
- A traditional black & white text style
- An emoji style, whose presentation often involves color/grayscale and/or animation

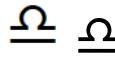
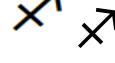
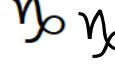
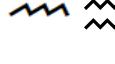
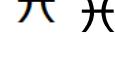
For 107 of these unified emoji (represented by 96 single characters and 11 sequences), the table below proposes a pair of variation sequences for addition to StandardizedVariants.txt. One sequence of the pair uses U+FE0E (VS15) to request that the range of presentations be restricted to a “text” style, the other uses U+FE0F (VS16) to request that the range of presentations be restricted to an “emoji” style.

In the absence of any such variation selector associated with these characters or sequences, a display system may choose a glyph based on other context information, or may always prefer one style. Many display systems will not have an emoji-style glyph associated with all of these characters and sequences, and may thus display a text-style glyph even when presented with a variation sequence requesting an emoji-style glyph.

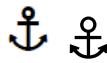
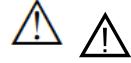
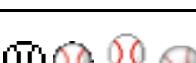
Unicode character	Variation selectors for use after the character	Sample glyphs
2139; INFORMATION SOURCE	FE0E; text style;	ℹ️ ℹ️ ℹ️
	FE0F; emoji style;	ℹ
203C; DOUBLE EXCLAMATION MARK	FE0E; text style;	!! !! !!
	FE0F; emoji style;	(!!)
2049; EXCLAMATION QUESTION MARK	FE0E; text style;	!?!?!?
	FE0F; emoji style;	!?!?!?

231A;WATCH	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
231B;HOURGLASS	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
24C2;CIRCLED LATIN CAPITAL LETTER M	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2600;BLACK SUN WITH RAYS	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2601;CLOUD	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
260E;BLACK TELEPHONE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2611;BALLOT BOX WITH CHECK	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2614;UMBRELLA WITH RAIN DROPS	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

2615;HOT BEVERAGE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
261D;WHITE UP POINTING INDEX	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
263A;WHITE SMILING FACE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2648;ARIES = ram	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2649;TAURUS = bull	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
264A;GEMINI = twins	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
264B;CANCER = crab	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

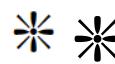
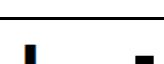
264C; LEO = lion	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
264D; VIRGO = virgin maiden	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
264E; LIBRA = scales	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
264F; SCORPIUS = scorpion	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2650; SAGITTARIUS = archer	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2651; CAPRICORN = goat	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2652; AQUARIUS = water carrier	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2653; PISCES = fish	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

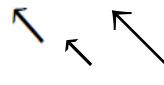
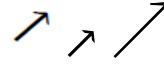
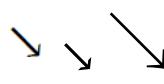
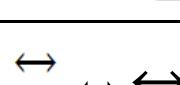
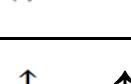
2660;BLACK SPADE SUIT	FE0E; text style; FE0F; emoji style;	
2663;BLACK CLUB SUIT	FE0E; text style; FE0F; emoji style;	
2665;BLACK HEART SUIT	FE0E; text style; FE0F; emoji style;	
2666;BLACK DIAMOND SUIT	FE0E; text style; FE0F; emoji style;	
2668;HOT SPRINGS	FE0E; text style; FE0F; emoji style;	
267B;BLACK UNIVERSAL RECYCLING SYMBOL	FE0E; text style; FE0F; emoji style;	
267F;WHEELCHAIR SYMBOL	FE0E; text style; FE0F; emoji style;	

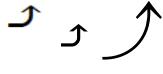
2693;ANCHOR	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26A0;WARNING SIGN	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26A1;HIGH VOLTAGE SIGN	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26BD;SOCCER BALL	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26BE;BASEBALL	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26C4;SNOWMAN WITHOUT SNOW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26C5;SUN BEHIND CLOUD	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26D4;NO ENTRY	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

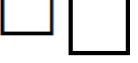
26EA;CHURCH	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26F2;FOUNTAIN	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26F3;FLAG IN HOLE =golf	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26F5;SAILBOAT	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26FA;TENT	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26FD;FUEL PUMP = gas station	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2702;BLACK SCISSORS	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2708;AIRPLANE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

2709;ENVELOPE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
270C;VICTORY HAND	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
270F;PENCIL	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2712;BLACK NIB	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2714;HEAVY CHECK MARK	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2716;HEAVY MULTIPLICATION X	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2733;EIGHT SPOKED ASTERISK	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2734;EIGHT POINTED BLACK STAR	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

2744;SNOWFLAKE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2747;SPARKLE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2757;HEAVY EXCLAMATION MARK SYMBOL	FE0E; text style;	!
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2764;HEAVY BLACK HEART	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
27A1;BLACK RIGHTWARDS ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2B05;LEFTWARDS BLACK ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2B06;UPWARDS BLACK ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2B07;DOWNWARDS BLACK ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

2196;NORTH WEST ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2197;NORTH EAST ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2198;SOUTH EAST ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2199;SOUTH WEST ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2194;LEFT RIGHT ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2195;UP DOWN ARROW	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
21A9;LEFTWARDS ARROW WITH HOOK	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

21AA;RIGHTWARDS ARROW WITH HOOK	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2934;ARROW POINTING RIGHTWARDS THEN CURVING UPWARDS	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2935;ARROW POINTING RIGHTWARDS THEN CURVING DOWNWARDS	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
25AA;BLACK SMALL SQUARE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
25AB;WHITE SMALL SQUARE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
25B6;BLACK RIGHT-POINTING TRIANGLE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
25C0;BLACK LEFT-POINTING TRIANGLE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
25FB;WHITE MEDIUM SQUARE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

25FC;BLACK MEDIUM SQUARE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
25FD;WHITE MEDIUM SMALL SQUARE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
25FE;BLACK MEDIUM SMALL SQUARE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26AA;MEDIUM WHITE CIRCLE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
26AB;MEDIUM BLACK CIRCLE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2B1B;BLACK LARGE SQUARE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2B1C;WHITE LARGE SQUARE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

2B50;WHITE MEDIUM STAR	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
2B55;HEAVY LARGE CIRCLE	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
303D;PART ALTERNATION MARK	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
3297;CIRCLED IDEOGRAPH CONGRATULATION	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
3299;CIRCLED IDEOGRAPH SECRET	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
1F004;MAHJONG TILE RED DRAGON	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	
1F17F;NEGATIVE SQUARED LATIN CAPITAL LETTER P	FE0E; text style;	
	FE0F; emoji style;	

1F21A; SQUARED CJK UNIFIED IDEOGRAPH-7121	FE0E; text style;	無
	FE0F; emoji style;	無
1F22F; SQUARED CJK UNIFIED IDEOGRAPH-6307	FE0E; text style;	指
	FE0F; emoji style;	指
Unicode sequence	Variation selectors for use after the base character of the sequence	Sample glyphs
0023 20E3; NUMBER SIGN + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	#
	FE0F; emoji style;	#
0030 20E3; DIGIT ZERO + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	0
	FE0F; emoji style;	0
0031 20E3; DIGIT ONE + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	1
	FE0F; emoji style;	1
0032 20E3; DIGIT TWO + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	2
	FE0F; emoji style;	2
0033 20E3; DIGIT THREE + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	3
	FE0F; emoji style;	3

0034 20E3;DIGIT FOUR + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	(4)
	FE0F; emoji style;	[4] [4] [4] [4]
0035 20E3;DIGIT FIVE + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	(5)
	FE0F; emoji style;	[5] [5] [5] [5]
0036 20E3;DIGIT SIX + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	(6)
	FE0F; emoji style;	[6] [6] [6] [6]
0037 20E3;DIGIT SEVEN + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	(7)
	FE0F; emoji style;	[7] [7] [7] [7]
0038 20E3;DIGIT EIGHT + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	(8)
	FE0F; emoji style;	[8] [8] [8] [8]
0039 20E3;DIGIT NINE + COMBINING ENCLOSING KEYCAP	FE0E; text style;	(9)
	FE0F; emoji style;	[9] [9] [9] [9]