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GB	Throughout the text		ed	The text does not conform to Annex H of the ISO Directives defining acceptable verbal forms for the expression of provisions (i.e. the use of "shall", "should", etc.). It uses the conventions of IETF RFC 2119 instead. Our understanding is that the PAS procedure does not allow exemption from this requirement.	Edit all provisions to conform to Annex H of the ISO Directives.	
GB	Throughout the text, e.g. 15.2.15		ed	The text contains many uses of ambiguous terminology, such as "last page number" meaning "preceding page number".	Copy-edit the text to eliminate all such ambiguities, if necessary defining specific terms to avoid misinterpretation.	
GB	Throughout the text		ed	The text frequently uses terms borrowed from other standards but with narrower or in other ways altered meanings.	Add definitions for all terms borrowed from other standards that do not have exactly the same meaning as in the standards in which they are defined.	
GB	Throughout the text		ed	There are many occurrences of spelling and punctuation errors and missing inter-word spaces.	Copy-edit the text to eliminate all such errors.	
GB	Normative references		ed	Some standards that are cited normatively, e.g. RELAX NG, are citing a standard other than the ISO standard.	Where applicable, replace normative references to non-ISO standards with references to the corresponding ISO standards.	
GB	Normative references		ed	The OASIS extension to RELAX NG for specifying default values of attributes should be referenced explicitly in addition to the ISO reference for RELAX NG.	Add separate normative reference to the OASIS version of RELAX NG.	
GB	Normative references		ed	Some standards, for example UNICODE and BASE64, are cited without adequate references.	Add references for all cited standards for which no references currently exist.	
GB	Normative references OR new clause required		ed OR te	It is suspected that no satisfactory normative reference exists for the ZIP compression format, unless it be a reference to the specification of the Java JAR format. The alternative is that the format should be fully specified.	If no suitable normative reference can be found, specify the format in a new clause.	
GB	Throughout the text		te	The ODF schema contains a number of features whose use appears to relate to specific implementation choices or be constrained by a specific implementation restrictions. Examples include features that are	In such cases the features should, as far as possible, be generalized, and implementation-specific options and constraints be moved to informative annexes.	

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				application-specific or which would only be available on specific operating platforms (such as DDE, OLE).		
GB	Throughout the text		te	Some properties whose values are measurements constrain the choice of units of measurement in ways that are implementation-dependent. While it is recognised that not all implementations will be able to support all choices of units of measurement, the format should be flexible enough to allow new implementations that do not impose the same constraints.	Constraints upon the choice of sensible units of measurement should as far as possible be eliminated, while making it clear which units of measurement should be supported by all implementations and which need not be supported by all implementations (e.g. '%' and 'em' as relative units of measurement in formatting properties).	
GB	Throughout the text		te	The use of patterns to define constraints on string values for measurements is not applied consistently.	Either avoid the use of patterns or apply to ALL value type definitions of this kind.	
GB	Throughout the text		te	Spatial frames of reference for page layout and object rotation are not clearly defined.	Add clear definitions of spatial frames of reference for page layout and layout object rotation.	
GB	Throughout the text		te	The rationale for mixing functionalities from different sources/namespaces (e.g. XSL-FO, SVG and CSS2) is not properly explained in each case.	Add further explanatory text in each case.	
GB	Throughout the text		te	There does not appear to be support for combination of different writing directions within a single paragraph.	Add support for bi-directional text.	

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CA	4.6.3	Example: Insertion of text	ed	There is a typo in the example. The <text:change-end> element is shown as an end tag, "</text:change-end text:change-id="c001"/>", when it should be an empty tag, "<text:change-end text:change-id="c001"/>".	In the example, change ""</text:change-end text:change-id="c001"/>", to "<text:change-end text:change-id="c001"/>".
CA	5.8	First paragraph	ed	There is a grammatical error at the end of the first sentence.	The end of the sentence, "...or as an character." should read "...or as a character.".

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Comment to the "YES" vote of MSZT for ISO Ballot DIS 26300

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JP			editorial	URI should be replaced with IRI.		
JP			editorial	Remove the unstable normative references (such as DOM level 3 and CSS3) and add the corresponding specifications within this standard.		
JP			technical	Add the features of accessibility, if possible.		

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EG	Document in General	General	te	ISO/IEC DIS 26300 document does not include requirements necessary for Arabic language users. To be useful to the Arabic user, the standard needs to take into consideration requirements necessary for Arabic language formatting styles and presentation… Those are summed up in the following • Orientation: Right to Left (RTL) versus Left to Right (LTR) for different elements including text, tables and other elements... • Numeric digits presentation for Arabic Indic digits. • Calendar support for Hijri Lunar based Islamic calendar and other local calendars. For example Arabic tables start on the right and progresses towards the left. While English tables start on the left and progress towards the right. Accordingly a table in an Arabic document requires that the first column starts on the right hand side the second on its left and so on... **General requirements** Bidirectional (BiDi) scripts such as Arabic generally run from right to left, except for embedded segments of text in western scripts	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirements sections numbers: 1. Text Orientation 2. Direction 3. Numeric Digits presentation 4. Calendar	

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				(Latin-based ones such as English or French), which run from left to right. [1] http://www-306.ibm.com/software/globalization/topics/bidi/index.jsp Bidirectional support requirements missing in this standard could be summed up in the above four attributes. We are willing to work with the technical group on the detailed suggestion to update and review the standard document to include Arabic requirements. Following are detailed explanation for main 4 attributes we need to add 1. Text Orientation *This attribute should apply to text in general…* Global orientation, also known as writing order, reading order, or paragraph direction, is that side of the screen, window, or page from which the text begins. Global orientation does not necessary imply that the reader will read the text starting from the same side it has been written. In other words, global orientation is not obvious from the context itself, as the following example illustrates. In the following examples		

PT[1] TPhttp://www-306.ibm.com/software/globalization/topics/bidi/index.jsp

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				English uppercase letters represent Arabic letters:
				
				Example 1:
				Typed text in this → direction
				  →
				    language ARABIC (1)
				The text is typed on the keyboard and stored as shown in the segment (1). This segment would have different meanings if read from Left to Right or Right to Left.
				
				Left to Right Orientation (LTR)
				    language CIBARA (2)
				Presenting/reading the stored text (1) in a Left to Right Orientation would read as shown in the segment (2).
				
				Right to Left Orinetation (RTL)
				    CIBARA language (3)
				Presenting/reading the stored text (1) in a Right to Left Orientation would read as shown in the segment (3).
				
				Example 2:
				
				fred does not believe TAHT YAS SYAWLA I
				
				This sentence has one meaning when read		

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				from left to right: 'Fred does not believe I always say that,' and another when read from right to left: 'I always say that Fred does not believe.' Both meanings are valid. Text that is predominantly oriented right to left will be read by readers of Arabic from right to left. It would be preferable for the global orientation of the text be also right to left, but if nothing is done or specified in the rendering program, the default global orientation will probably default to the natural writing and reading order for English text. Since global orientation is not always obvious from its context, an application processing bidirectional data must understand and specify it.[2] http://www-306.ibm.com/software/globalization/topics/bidi/characteristics_bi.jsp An Orientation attribute should be added, possible values include: • Left to Right • Right to Left • Contextual, determining the orientation according to the data. LTR in case the first typed character is a Latin character, RTL in case the first typed		

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				character is Arabic.
				• Inherit parent settings. Use the value selected on the parent level by default, the user can explicitly change it if necessary.
				
				Attribute definition example:
				`<attribute name="text:orientation">`
				`    <choice>`
				`        <value>Inherit</value>`
				`        <value>Left          to Right</value>`
				`        <value>Right          to Left</value>`
				`        <value>Contextual</value>`
				`    </choice>`
				`</attribute>`
				
				2. Direction
				This attribute should apply to presentation elements like tables, sequence of fields, lists, ..etc.
				
				Since the user starts reading from right and progresses towards the left, different controls/elements need to become from right to left, accordingly direction should be considered in:		

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	n NMULOC			• Column sequence of tables. Left to Right table: | column 1	column 2	…	column n
			| Right to left table: |		…	2 NMULOC	1 NMULOC

				|
				
				• Flow layout of GUI elements,
				• Lists including bulleted, numbered, menus or other types of lists
				• Tabbing sequence on fields presented in the same row.
				Note that the directions of Cartesian chart coordinates in Arabic diagrams are similar to those in English.
				
				A Direction attribute should be added, possible values include:
				• Left to Right
				• Right to Left
				• Inherit parent settings. Use the value selected on the parent level by default, the user can explicitly change it if necessary.
				
				Attribute definition example:
				`<attribute name="text:direction">`
				`        <choice>`		

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				```<value>Inherit</value>``` ```<value>Left to Right</value>``` ```<value>Right to Left</value>``` ```</choice>``` ```</attribute>``` **3. Numeric digits presentation** *This attribute should apply to text in general…* Digits could be represented in different manners according - National, Arabic-Indic digits are generally used in the region and they are represented in Unicode range u0660 – u0669. Other national digits for example Farsi or Urdu digits are represented in Unicode range as well for example Urdu and the - Nominal, Numeric digits represented in Unicode range u0030 – u0039. - Contextual, determine the presented digits according to the surrounding text. If the digits occur in Arabic text then National digits otherwise present the Nominal digits. - Inherit parent settings. Used when nothing is explicitly selected.		

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				Attribute definition example:
				`<attribute       name="text:numeric digits">`
				`    <choice>`
				`        <value>Inherit</value>`
				`        <value>Contextual</value`
				`>`
				`        <value>National</value>`
				`        <value>Nominal</value>`
				`    </choice>`
				`</attribute>`
				
				4. Calendar
				This attribute should apply to dates.
				
				Support different calendars used in the region including:
				• Hijri lunar based Islamic calendar
				• Gregorian
				• Inherit platform settings. Used when nothing is explicitly selected.
				A Calendar attribute should be added, to reflect the above possible values.
				
				Attribute definition example:
				`<attribute name="text:calendar">`
				`    <choice>`
				`        <value>Inherit</value>`		

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				`<value>Islamic</value>`
				`<value>Gregorian</value>`
				`</choice>`
				`</attribute>`		

EG	4	Text Content	te	attributes 1,2,3 from above comments on document in general	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers: 1. Text Orientation 2. Direction 3. Numeric Digits presentation Calendar	
EG	5	Paragraph element content	te	attributes 1,2,3 from above comments on document in general	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers: 1. Text Orientation 2. Direction 3. Numeric Digits presentation	
EG	6	Text Fields	te	attributes 1,3,4 from above comments on document in general	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers: 1.Text Orientation 3.Numeric Digits presentation 4.Calendar	
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					language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers: 2.Direction	
EG	8	Tables	te	attributes 1,2 from above comments on document in general	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers: 1. Text Orientation 2. Direction Numeric Digits presentation	
EG	9	Chart Content	te	attributes 1,3 from above comments on document in general	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers: 1. Text Orientation 3.Numeric Digits presentation	
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EG	12	Common Content	te	attributes 1,2,3 ,4 from above comments on document in general	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers:	

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EG	13	SMIL Animation	te	attributes 2,4 from above comments on document in general	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers: 2. Direction 4. Calendar	
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EG	15	Formatting properties	te	attributes 1,2,3,4 from above comments on document in general	Please add attributes to support Arabic language requirements. See attachment General requirement sections numbers: 1. Text Orientation 2. Direction 3. Numeric Digits presentation 4. Calendar	

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