Comments received for
ISO 639-3 Change Request
2014-057

Outcome: Accepted with modification
Effective date: January 12, 2014
Registration Authority decision on Change Request no. 2014-057: to update the name and denotation for the code element [vaj] for Vasekela Bushman.

The request to update the name and denotation for the code [vaj] for Vasekela Bushman is accepted with modifications. The Registration Authority received several comments on the proposal during the comment period. Most comments were about the proposed name change. It was noted that the name “Vasekele” includes the particle “va” meaning “person”, rather than “language”. It was suggested that the name “Sekele” would be better to represent the language. A second comment noted that Sekele is the name assigned by outsiders to the language. This comment requested that “Northwestern !Xun” be used as the primary name.

After some discussion, and a review of the usage of various names, the Review Committee accepts the name update of Vasekele. But in addition, the names of “Sekele” and “Northwestern !Kung” will be added as additional names for this language.