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## Replace Non ASCII Character with value

Hi All

I am writing a class to take a general HL7 replace the non ASCII characters in all the segments to construct another message. I have the following solution working to an extent however it is inserting *k* at the end of the segments that have been transformed. Firstly is this the correct approach and secondly how do I get rid of *k* at the end of the segment that is affected?

Thank you for your help.

```
ClassMethod Transform(source As EnsLib.HL7.Message, Output target As EnsLib.HL7.Message) As %Status {
```

```
Set $ZT="Trap",tSC=$$$OK
Do {
```

Try {

#Dim tMSHin As EnsLib.HL7.Segment
#Dim tSegIn As EnsLib.HL7.Segment
#Dim tSegOut As EnsLib.HL7.Segment
#Dim tmp As EnsLib.HL7.Segment
#Dim tSegString as %String

```
#Dim NonASCIIChar as %String="©"
#Dim ASCIIChar as %String="(c)"
```

```
Set target = ##class(EnsLib.HL7.Message).%New()
Set:source.DocType'="" target.DocType=source.DocType
Set tMSHin = source.GetSegmentAt(1, .tSC)
```

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For i = 1:1:tMSHin.Count
{
Set tSC = target.SetValueAt(tMSHin.GetValueAt(i),"1:"_i)
}
```

//get the data lookup characters //check each segment for each of the character

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For i = 2:1:source.SegCount
{
Set tSegIn = source.GetSegmentAt(i,.tSC)
Set tSegOut = tSegIn.%ConstructClone()
```

//get all the fields within the segment
set tIndex =0
while \$FIND(tSegIn.OutputToString(),"©",tIndex) > 0 {

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set mystr =$Replace(tSegIn.OutputToString(),"©","(C)")
  set tSegOut =##class(EnsLib.HL7.Segment).ImportFromString(mystr, tSC)
  do tSegIn.SetValueAt(tSegOut,i)
 set tIndex = $FIND(tSegIn.OutputToString(),"©",tIndex)+1
 }
 set tSC = target.AppendSegment(tSegOut)
}
}
Catch ex
Set tSC = ex.AsStatus()
}
} while (0)
Exit
Quit tSC
Trap
Set $ZT="",tSC=$$$EnsSystemError
Goto Exit
}
```

Kind Regards,

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#Ensemble

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