Subject	**Koasati Language Project**
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Dear Mr. Langley,

my name is Chris Bentz, I'm a PostDoc at the University of Zurich involved in a
project to build a text corpus for 100 typologically diverse languages in order to
also give under-resourced languages a place in corpus linguistics
(https://www.spur.uzh.ch/en/departments/research/textgroup/MorphDiv.html). In our
search we came across your Koasati Language Project. I wanted to inquire if we could
built a text corpus for Koasati for example by using example sentences given in the
online dictionary. The aim is to transcribe and annotate texts in a standardized
format enabling computational research.

We also have some funding and expertise available to help with transcribing hand-
written texts, so this could be mutually profitable. Our long-term aim is to make the
100 language corpus available under a CC by 4.0 (non-commercial) license to the
public.

Let me know if the Koasati tribe would be interested to collaborate,
Thanks for your time!
Chris Bentz