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Subject: Re: 16 bits wchar

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sergei wrote on Wed, 26 September 2007 16:54

P.S. does anyone know why chars/wchars tend to be signed? IMHO unsigned character values are much more clear - after all the ASCII codes we use are unsigned (in hex).

I think it is an artifact left over from C, where char was also used a lot for storing 8 bit integers and booleans (on 16-bit systems both int and short would often be 16 bit long, so an 8 bit integer was needed).

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