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Changes from -02

- Updated references
- Replaced US-ASCII with ASCII
- Added comment to language listing failure example
- Removed IMAP4 reference

 Replaced RET8, LST8, and TOP8 commands with a single modeswitch UTF8 command issued before authentication. This simplifies the protocol, and allows servers to optionally down-convert a cache of the maildrop prior to issuing the +OK response entering TRANSACTION state

Changes from -02 #2

- Removed most upconversion material
- Removed definition of up-conversion
- Added AUTH command to list of those affected by UTF8 capability

- Removed LST8 and TOP8 capability parameters and commands
- Removed NO-RETR
 capability. POP servers
 are now unconditionally
 required to support
 down-conversion of
 UTF8-native maildrops

Changes from -02 #3

- Added sentence about modifying authentication code to Security
 Considerations
- Deleted references to RFCs 1341, 1847, 2049, 2183, 3501, 3516, 3490

 Made eai-downgrade draft normative and required

Changes for -04

- Make eai-downgrade draft informative
- Rationale: UTF8-capable clients will use
 UTF8 mode, so no downconversion needed
- The only clients that need downcoversion are those that don't support UTF8, hence don't need a normative way to reconstruct the UTF8 message

Doubts Even Here

 However, if the client is upgraded in the future to support UTF8, having a normative and consistent way to reconstruct original UTF8 message (for display/reply) may be helpful