Learn how to use the Option UTF16 config.txt directive to specify that content sent using UTF-16 is transformed into UTF-8 and processed by EZproxy.

**Option UTF16** specifies that content sent using UTF-16 encoding should be transformed into UTF-8 and processed by EZproxy. UTF-16 and UTF-8 are UNICODE standards for encoding character sets, especially for international characters. The main purpose for this option is to support the Chinese database Siku Quanshu.

**Option NoUTF16** is the default behavior for EZproxy and indicates that UTF-16 content should not be processed by EZproxy.

**Option NoUTF16** is a repeatable position-dependent config.txt directive that interacts with database stanzas, following database stanzas until overridden.

**Syntax**

```plaintext
Option UTF16
```

**Example**

Enable UTF-16 processing for Siku Quanshu, but disable it for Other Database and any databases that follow Other database.

```plaintext
Option UTF16

Title Siku Quanshu
URL http://skqs.yourlib.org
DJ skqs.yourlib.org

Option NoUTF16

Title Other Database
URL http://www.otherdb.com
DJ otherdb.com
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