To: Kathy Glennan, Chair, RDA Steering Committee

Cc: Linda Barnhart, RSC Secretary

From: Charlene Chou, Wider Community Engagement Officer

Subject: Response to RSC/TranslationsTLO/2022/1, proposal for correction of the narrower element hierarchy in Manifestation: manufacturer agent (etc.) and its inverses

In general, I agree with this proposal, and would like to share a suggestion for RSC consideration. This proposal includes certain important terms, which various communities (such as AAT and RBMS) have their preferred terms, definitions and best practices. Therefore, community resources may need to be created for community refinements and vocabularies. These terms are English-centric or based on western civilization. When the official RDA is translated into more languages, this would be a challenging task since the creation of rare books and manuscript might have different processes in different regions. For instance, different language communities have different guidelines or vocabularies, and they include MELA Manuscripts Cataloging Manual <u>MELA ConC - Manuscripts (google.com)</u> and East Asian relationship designator mapping

(http://rdaandcjkworkshop.pbworks.com/w/file/106405902/2016_workshop_CJK_RD.pptx).