TO: Joint Steering Committee for Revision of AACR

FROM: Alan Danskin, British Library representative to JSC

SUBJECT: Proposed revision of *RDA* chap. 6, Additional instructions for musical

works and expressions

The British Library's response to this proposal was prepared with the assistance of colleagues in the library's Music Collections.

The numbering in this response corresponds to the numbering used by LC in 5JSC/LC/12/LC follow-up/2.

General Comments

The British Library welcomes the proposals by the Library of Congress and generally supports the intentions. The reviewers experienced some difficulty in reconciling the various versions of the text and would welcome a clean version of Chapter 6, showing the changes in context.

Specific Comments

6.15.1 Choosing the preferred title BL agrees with proposed changes

6.15.1.3.3.3

BL agrees with proposed changes

6.15.1.3.4-5

BL agrees with new instruction

6.15.1.4.3

BL agrees with rewording of 'In the following examples' etc. which adds clarity.

6.15.1.3.4-5

BL Agrees.

6.15.1.5

BL agrees with rewording in LC12 follow-up/2 to 'Preferred title is not distinctive' and the proposed deletion of the last paragraph and example.

6.15.1.6 and 6.15.1.7

BL agrees with the proposed deletion

6.16.0.8

BL welcomes the simplification proposed by this amendment.

6.16.1.10

BL Agrees.

6.28.1.2

Writer's works set by several composers: BL agrees with LC that this should be deleted as it is covered in 6.27.1.4

6.28.1.3

BL agrees

6.28.3.2

The British Library recommends making the inclusion of texts explicit. This could be done by changing the caption to, "Added performance parts or texts"

The BL agrees with the proposed changes to the content and order of the list.

The BL agrees with the proposal to delete "librettos and song texts" on the understanding that these will be considered as separate, related works.

6.28.3.2.1:

The BL agrees with LC's proposed changes to wording

6.28.3.3

An example is required to illustrate 6.28.3.3.2.1. The 3 existing examples should be moved to illustrate 6.28.3.3.3