

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: John Attig, ALA Representative
Subject: Adjustment to exception for recording acronym/initialism titles in favor of base instruction (2.3.2.5, exception)

ALA thanks the Library of Congress for this clarification of the exception at 2.3.2.5. ALA agrees that the question of whether and where to record the acronym or initialism should be governed by the general instruction, and supports the deletion of the final sentence of the exception.

However, we believe that the cataloger should be allowed to record the acronym or initialism **both** as other title information or as variant title, if desired. It is not clear whether the "... either ... or ..." constructions allows this, and we would prefer to see this made explicit.