TO: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

FROM: Judith A. Kuhagen, JSC Secretary

SUBJECT: Revisions to Date Associated with the Person (9.3) when recording more than a year alone

The text below reflects the decisions made by the Joint Steering Committee during its November 2012 meeting. This text will be merged with the reworded chapter 9 before it appears in the 2013 RDA Update of the RDA Toolkit.

The addition of a new last paragraph and examples in 9.3.1.3 is from 6JSC/LC/14/Sec final.

9.3.1.3   **Recording Dates Associated with Persons**

[*1st-3rd paragraphs unchanged*]

Optional Addition

Add the month or month and day in the form [year] [month] [day] or [year] [month]. Record the month in the language and script preferred by the agency creating the data.

[*exception is deleted; remainder of existing instruction unchanged; new last paragraph and examples added*]

Record a period of activity expressed as a range of centuries in the form [century]–[century].

EXAMPLE

13th century–14th century
Period of activity

1st century B.C.–1st century A.D.
Period of activity

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9.3.2.3   **Recording Date of Birth**

[*1st paragraph and examples unchanged*]

[*paragraph beginning "If the person was born in the same year ..."*

deleted]

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9.19.1.3   Date of Birth and/or Death

Add the date of birth (see 9.3.2) and/or date of death (see 9.3.3), if necessary, to distinguish one access point from another, recording the year alone.

[*examples unchanged*]

Add the month or month and day if necessary to distinguish one access point from another.

EXAMPLE

Smith, John, 1936 May 5-

Smith, John, 1936 December 17-

[*optional addition and examples unchanged*]