

**TO:** Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA  
**FROM:** Alan Danskin, British Library representative to JSC  
**SUBJECT:** Changes in content characteristics. BL Response.

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BL thanks LC for its proposal. BL has comments on both proposed revisions.

Possible Revision # 2

BL is concerned that defining a note which does not relate to a specific element will cause difficulties in future.

Possible Revision # 1

BL suggests a change to the proposed wording for 7.1.2., to make it clearer what to do when this situation is encountered.

LC text

"If it is known that the characteristic does not apply to the entire resource, identify the applicable part or iteration for that characteristic if considered to be important."

BL amendment

"If it is known that the characteristic does not apply to the entire resource, identify the applicable part or iteration and record the change for the part or iteration, if considered important for identification or selection, following the instructions under specific elements in this chapter (7.2-7.28)"

If JSC approves #2, this could be included as follows:

"If it is known that the characteristic does not apply to the entire resource, identify the applicable part or iteration and record the change for the part or iteration, if considered important for identification or selection, following the instructions under specific elements in this chapter (7.2-7.28)"; or, make a Note on Changes to Content Characteristics (7.29)