

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: Ebe Kartus, ACOC Representative
Subject: Revision proposal for RDA 3.4.3.2 and RDA 3.21.2.5

ACOC thanks the Music Working Group for this proposal to RDA 3.4.3.2 and RDA 3.21.2.5. However, ACOC does not support the proposal.

ACOC agrees that the current exception at 3.4.3.2 does not clearly indicate that the score and parts are bound as one physical unit. However, ACOC feels that the proposed change makes it unclear that the resource is a music score with parts. The presence of score and parts is key *extent* information for music resources, and should therefore be recorded in the extent element, not relegated to a note field. This is not helpful to a user, and does not provide greater clarity. It also makes the recording of the extent statement for score and parts physically bound together inconsistent with those that are not physically bound together.