

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

LIBRARY OF CONGRESS

TO: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

FROM: Barbara B. Tillett, LC Representative

SUBJECT: Issues deferred until after the first release of RDA -- LC decisions

LC agrees with the referral/assignment of various topics to specific groups as reported by ALA in its response. See below for LC's priority assignments for addressing issues raised by LC and for some topics raised by others. The page numbers refer to pages in the 6JSC/Sec/1 document.

Some new topics are included below: one under "Musical works, p. 10:" and two under "First part of the name is the surname p. 18". Two additional topics related to RDA Chapter 2, not included in 6JSC/Sec/1, are included at the end of this response.

Attached to this response is an appendix of other proposals LC has considered. Some are related to proposals to be directed to groups other than the JSC. Although all were assigned a low priority, LC is sharing the list with the JSC for information.

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Use of square brackets, p. 4:

Current RDA instruction number: **2.2.4**; AACR2 rule: 1.0A4

LC response: Medium priority.

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Introductory words, p. 5:

Current RDA instruction number: **2.3.1.6**; AACR2 rule: 1.1B1

LC response: Low priority.

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Place of origin of the work, p. 10:

Current RDA instruction number: **6.5**

LC response: Low priority.

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Musical works, p. 10:

Current RDA instruction number: **Chapter 6**

- **additional topic:** delete the instructions on devised titles for music at RDA **2.3.11.4**

LC response: High priority. LC will draft a series of proposals to address these topics.

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Bible, p. 11:

Current RDA instruction numbers: **6.23.2.5**; AACR2 rule: 25.18A

LC response: Low priority.

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First part of the name is the surname, p. 18:

Current RDA instruction number: **9.2.2.9**; AACR2 rule: 22.4B2

LC response: High priority. LC will draft a proposal to revise this instruction and others related to personal names:

- **p. 19: Name that consists of a phrase/Additions to names** (Current RDA instruction numbers: 9.2.2.9; 9.2.2.22; 9.2.2.23; AACR2 rule: 22.11A; 22.11B; 22.15A) –
We note that ALA identified this topic as a Medium priority and said it would develop a proposal. We would like to collaborate with ALA to develop a joint proposal for the JSC on this topic.
- **p. 19: Part of the name treated as a surname** (Current RDA instruction number: 9.2.2.9.2; AACR2 rule: 22.5B1)
- **p. 19: Persons known by a surname only** (Current RDA instruction number: 9.2.2.9.3; AACR2 rule: 22.15A)
- **p. 20: Word or phrase included in the name** (Current RDA instruction number: 9.2.2.18; AACR2 rule: 22.8A1)
- **p. 20: Initial articles in phrases used as the names of persons** (Current RDA instruction numbers 9.2.2.25, 9.2.2.26; AACR2 rule: 22.11D)
- **additional topics:** (1) convert the instruction at RDA 9.2.2.5.3 to an alternative; (2) re-evaluate treating names known not to be surnames as surnames.

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Other variant name, p. 21:

Current RDA instruction number: **9.2.3.10**

LC response: Low priority.

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Terms indicating incorporation, p. 25:

Current RDA instruction number: **11.2.2.10**

LC response: High priority. LC will draft a proposal to revise this instruction if ALA and BL do not wish to draft a proposal.

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Additional uses for place names, p. 29:

Current RDA instruction number: **16.2.2.4, 4th paragraph**

LC response: Medium priority.

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Places in Australia, Canada, Malaysia, the United States, the U.S.S.R., or Yugoslavia, p. 29:

Current RDA instruction number: **16.2.2.9**

LC response: Medium priority.

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Corporate bodies as creators, p. 29:

Current RDA instruction number: **19.2.1.1**; AACR2 rule: 21.1B2

LC response: Medium priority.

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Appendix H - Dates in the Christian calendar, p. 31:

AACR2 rule: 22.17A

LC response: Low priority.

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Access points for manifestations and items, p. 35:

LC response: Medium priority.

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Dates associated with an element, p. 35:

LC response: Low priority.

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Additional topics related to Chapter 2:

- Add instructions throughout the chapter to address situations when the description of a multipart monograph or serial was not based on the first/earliest issue or part and the cataloging agency doesn't re-describe the resource when information about earlier issues or parts becomes available. (Also affects the scope of Earlier variant title and Later variant title.)
- Allow repeating of element with dates rather than recording changes in element over time in notes.

LC response: High priority. LC will draft proposals to address these topics.

Appendix: LC list of other possible proposals

Proposals to groups other than the JSC:

- ISBD Review Group: merge *Designation of edition* (RDA 2.5.2) and *Designation of a named revision of an edition* (RDA 2.5.6). [LC will include this recommendation in its response to the current draft of the Consolidated edition of ISBD.]
- FRBR Review Group:
 - a. Merge *Illustrative content* (RDA 7.15) with *Supplementary content* (RDA 7.16) in FRBR.
 - b. Merge *Field of activity of the person* (RDA 9.15) with *Profession or occupation* (RDA 9.16) in FRAD.

Proposals to the JSC for RDA:

Note: LC assigns a low priority for now to all the topics listed below.

1.6.1: When a single unit becomes a multipart monograph, change the practice from re-doing the existing description to creating a new description.

1.7.7: Change instruction for the transcription of letters or words intended to be read more than once to transcribe as found and give access to both forms.

Gradual replacement editions: add to chapter 2 (perhaps only needed for edition statements?)

Ch. 2: Reduce number of elements where transcription is required because some “transcribed elements” aren’t really transcribed as found now (e.g., omitting corporate hierarchy in the name of the publisher).

2.3.4.6: Expand application for moving image resources beyond trailers.

2.6.1.1: Simplify wording from “issues or parts of a serial” to “issues of a serial” throughout RDA.

2.12.10.4: Revisit identification of “new series” and “second series” as title of unnumbered subseries.

3.9: Add instructions for sound recording production.

3.9.2.3: Investigate creating sub-elements for copies (carbon copy, photocopy, transcript) and sub-subelements for transcripts (handwritten, typewritten, printout)

6.2.2.10: Re-examine the need for conventional collective titles. [LC will have more information after the US RDA Test.]

6.3.1: Create a controlled list of terms for *Form of work*. [LC will have more information after more work has been completed on genre/form terms at LC.]

7.2.0: Consider the overlap between *Nature of the content* with genre/form terms. [LC will have more information after more work has been completed on genre/form terms at LC.]

7.25.5.3, 2nd paragraph: Remove the requirement to give the information in quotation marks.

7.27.1.3: Because coordinates are attributes of a work, consider if information about coordinates should be deleted here and covered under the Work section of the chapter.

11.0: When FRSAD is published, consider a different approach to *Events* (they are a separate Group 3 entity).

11.2.2.5.4: Remove the exception for Autocephalous Patriarchates, Archdiocese, etc.

11.2.2.24.1: Change to use a standardized form rather than a conventionalized form of the place as a qualifier for the name of a court. [Perhaps AALL would be interested in making such a proposal.]

11.2.2.25.1: Resolve discrepancies in instructions that result in names such as Australian Army Psychology Corps and South African Army Service Corps being established differently. [LC wonders if ALA's proposal for subordinate bodies would include this topic.]

11.3.3.4: Consider handling the change of name of jurisdiction or locality as a name change.

16.2.2.13+: Add an instruction for a place within a place within a city. [Perhaps such an instruction will be included when chapter 16 is expanded.]

19.2.1.1: Add another category to those for corporate bodies as creators: "named individual works of art by two or more artists acting as a corporate body" (category g) in LCRI 21.1B2 [Perhaps ARLIS would be interested in making such a proposal.]

19.3.2.2: Consider merging Jurisdiction governed by a law, regulation, etc., with Issuing agency or agent (19.3.2.3).

Legal works (various chapters): Investigate if "international" in "international intergovernmental bodies," etc., is excluding categories/situations (i.e., intergovernmental bodies at national level or below). [Perhaps AALL would be interested in making such a proposal.]

Appendix A: Remove the appendix from *RDA*. [LC will have more information after the US RDA Test.]

A.2.1: Expand the scope to names of persons and families by deleting "corporate" in "For corporate names with unusual capitalization" because personal and family names could also have unusual capitalization.

Appendix B: Expand the language scope beyond those languages covered now in B.7-B.10.