

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: EURIG
Subject: 2.7 Production statement: changing method of recording

EURIG thanks the British Library for this proposal.

The majority of EURIG members agree with the proposed changes, but we would like to offer the following comments regarding "Change 1: revision of 2.7 Production Statement":

2.7.4.3. Recording Producer's Names

[...]

Optional omission

[...]

Do not use a mark of omission (...) to indicate such an omission.

If the name is known to be fictitious, or requires clarification, record the actual name and make a note giving the fictitious name, etc. [...].

It contradicts some European cataloguing traditions to record the actual name in these cases. We would like to adhere to the current RDA rules. Furthermore, the use of the mark of omission is regarded as essential for manuscripts and rare books.

2.7.4.4. Statement of Function

[...]

Deletion of the Optional Addition "If the function of a person, family, or corporate body recorded in the producer's name sub-element is not explicit or clear, add a term indicating the function. Indicate that the information was taken from a source outside the resource itself [...]").

This kind of addition is frequently needed to clarify functions which are not explicit or clear in a manuscript, as well as the indication that the information was not included in the resource.