To:Renate Behrens, Chair, RDA Steering CommitteeCC:Anne Welsh, RSC SecretaryFrom:Ahava Cohen, Europe representativeSubject:Formal response to RSC/EOO/2025/1 - Proposal to revise Guidance:Aggregates and Guidance: Diachronic Works following fromRSC/TechnicalWG/2024/2/rev/Decisions

EURIG thanks the Education and Orientation Officer and the Technical Team Liaison Officers for their continuing work on this guidance chapter.

Recommendation 1:

In general, approve, bearing in mind two points of wording which could be improved:

1. Returning the word "require" to the clean copy of paragraph 3. (The word does appear in the marked-up version):

If at least one of the expressions or works that are aggregated is recorded, a well-formed metadata description set does not *require* the aggregating expression or work to be recorded.

2. The use of "metadata description set" to refer both to the entirety of what a metadata description set can encompass and the specifics of a metadata description set describing aggregates is likely to confuse catalogers. When the intention is to the description of aggregates the term should explicitly say so.

Recommendation 2:

Approve.