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CC: Anne Welsh, Secretary, RDA Steering Committee

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Subject: Technical Working Group formal response to RSC/ExtentWG/2025/2: Proposal for Manifestation: **extent of unitary structure**

Recommendation 1.1: Create the element Manifestation: **extent of unitary structure.** Associate the **RDA Carrier Type** vocabulary encoding scheme and the new RDA Unitary Structure vocabulary encoding scheme with this element.

Approve.

The definition as written is ambiguous, and it should be made clear that the element applies both when recording the number of kinds of carriers of the same kind in a multiple unit manifestation, or the kind of carrier in a single unit manifestation. This could be done by amending the definition, or by adding guidance for when the number of units of the same kind of carrier of manifestation is "1".

Recommendation 1.2: Refer the issue of using terms from the vocabulary encoding scheme **RDA Format of Notated Music** for a possible source of values for Manifestation: **extent of unitary structure** to the RSC Music Working Group.

Approve.

Recommendation 2.1: Create a new vocabulary encoding scheme **RDA Unitary Structure**, in accordance with the details that follow, with several terms moved from **RDA Carrier Extent Unit** and definitions updated. When all the terms have been moved or removed, delete the vocabulary encoding scheme **RDA Carrier Extent Unit**. Some of those terms are proposed to be moved to other extent vocabulary encoding schemes.

Approve.

Some members of the Technical Working Group expressed a desire to avoid the new VES for **RDA Unitary Structure** becoming too large or unwieldy.

Recommendation 2.2: Adopt the following list of recommended terms for **RDA Unitary Structure** derived from the current **RDA Carrier Extent Unit** vocabulary.

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.1: activity card

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.2: coin

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.3: collage

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.4: diorama

Approve,

Recommendation 2.2.5: drawing

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.6: flash card

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.7: folded sheet

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.8: game

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.9: globe

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.10: jigsaw puzzle

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.11: medal

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.12: mock-up

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.13: model

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.14: painting

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.15: photograph

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.16: postcard

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.17: poster

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.18: print

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.19: sculpture

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.20: specimen

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.21: study print

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.22: toy

Approve.

Recommendation 2.2.23: wall chart

Approve.

Recommendation 2.3: Adopt the term *exhibit* for **RDA Unitary Structure** from **RDA Carrier Extent Unit**. Update the definition to refer to a collection manifestation.

Approve.

One member of the Technical Working Group wondered if the definition had been compared to similar definitions of *exhibit* in the CIDOC CRM.

Recommendation 2.4: Delete the term *atlas* from the **RDA Carrier Extent Unit** vocabulary encoding scheme.

Approve.

Recommendation 2.5: Adopt the following list of recommended new terms for the **RDA Unitary Structure** vocabulary:

Recommendation 2.5.1: sketchbook

Approve.