

**To:** Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA  
**From:** Dave Reser, LC Representative  
**Subject:** Addition of the Copyright holder relationship – Amendments to RDA 21.6.1.1 and Appendix I

We thank ACOC for raising the question of Copyright holder and the scope of RDA. We note that the earlier decision of the JSC, documented in 5JSC/M/170-215 (minutes of the October 2007 JSC meeting) is as follows: “The JSC decided to have only an element for Copyright date as the other information is to do with rights management which is outside the scope of the first release of RDA”. This decision is represented in RDA at 0.3.3 (Alignment with FRAD) “**Attributes and relationships currently out of scope** ... attributes and relationships (associated with the entities person, family, corporate body, work, and expression) whose primary function is to support user tasks related to rights management.” If the JSC moves forward with recording this relationship, 0.3.3 will need to be adjusted accordingly.

While LC is unlikely to record this information if added to RDA, we do not oppose this if the JSC agrees. We do, however, question whether the relationship of a copyright holder is to a manifestation in FRBR. Our assumption would be that the relationship is to a work, part of a work, or an expression of a work.