To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

From: Bill Leonard, CCC representative

Subject: Revision of RDA 2.11.1.3, Recording Copyright Dates

CCC approves of the revisions to instruction 2.11.1.3 Recording Copyright Dates to better accommodate copyright dates on resources with multiple aspects. We are concerned about the proposed order of sections within this instruction as we note a missing statement. The optional addition in this instruction relates to the unwritten assumption or rule-of-thumb that we will record only one copyright date per resource. The relevance of the text in the optional addition would be improved by adding the assumption, and by placing the option to precede the exception.

CCC suggests revising the proposal by adding a sentence to cover the situation of a single aspect with multiple copyright dates. This added sentence would precede the current optional addition. Those two sentences would be followed by the proposed exception.

Proposed revision:

2.11.1.3 Recording Copyright Dates

Record copyright dates applying the general guidelines on numbers expressed as numerals or as words given under 1.8. Precede the date by the copyright symbol (©) or the phonogram copyright symbol (℗), or by copyright or phonogram if the appropriate symbol cannot be reproduced.

EXAMPLE

©2002
copyright 2005
℗1983
phonogram 1993

If the resource has multiple copyright dates that apply to various aspects (e.g., text, sound, graphics), record only the latest copyright date.

If the resource has multiple copyright dates that apply to a single aspect (e.g., text, sound or graphics), record only the latest copyright date.

(remainder unchanged)