

TO: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

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SUBJECT: Proposed revision of RDA 2.1.2.2 and 2.1.2.3, Basis for Identification of the Resource

BL acknowledges the work of the ALA task group, but in general we see little benefit from the changes proposed.

Recommendation #1: Collective Titles

The addition to the first paragraph at 2.1.2.2 is redundant as the instruction already states that the source should identify the resource as a whole.

Recommendation #2: Predominant Work

The additional paragraph provides clarification about what to do if there is no such resource: we are not convinced it is required. If JSC decides to retain we would like to see more varied parenthetical examples.

Recommendation #3: Resources Issued in More Than One Part

We don't think the proposed changes are an aid to understanding.