TO: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

FROM: Alan Danskin, British Library representative to JSC

SUBJECT: Clarifying core element status for “not identified” elements in the Distribution and Manufacture Statements (RDA 2.9 and 2.10)

The British Library acknowledges the issues ALA has identified in relation to the Distribution and Manufacture Statements. We take the view that a more fundamental discussion concerning the revision of all instructions between 2.7 Production Statement and 2.10 Manufacture Statement, as outlined in 6JSC/BL rep/1, is necessary to address these problems. While we do not reject the proposed changes, we are not convinced that this level of change is worthwhile.

If the changes are approved, we suggest the following changes to wording:

2.8.2.6
e) place of publication is unknown

2.8.2.6.5 Place of Publication Unknown

2.9.2.6
e) place of distribution is unknown

2.9.2.6.5 Place of Distribution Unknown

2.10.2.6
e) place of manufacture is unknown

2.10.2.6.5 Place of Manufacture Unknown