

**To:** Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

**From:** Bill Leonard, CCC representative

**Subject: Transcription issues associated with the Production Statement (RDA 2.7)**

CCC thanks the American Library Association for this exploration of issues surrounding the production statement. CCC discussed this discussion paper together with 6JSC/BL rep/1. CCC supports changes that move RDA towards alignment with current content standards for archival resources and cultural and naturally occurring-objects.

1. Some produced resources are self-describing so transcription is possible, e.g., manuscripts, theses. CCC is not convinced it is necessary to remove the explicit transcription instructions from 2.7. As mentioned in the CCC response to BL rep 1, it would be possible to apply a triage system whereby self-describing resources are treated first, then if there is nothing to transcribe, as in non-self-describing resources, cataloguers would look for other sources of information to be used to devise data for this element.
2. CCC agrees that consistency among 2.7, 2.8, 2.9 and 2.10 should not be the driver for the structure of these instructions.
3. a) Self-describing resources could have data in multiple languages. CCC does not agree with removing these parallel elements.  
b) CCC sees a need for retaining the possibility of transcription for self-describing resources.
4. Yes, recording information as relationships is an idea that should be pursued.