To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: Kathy Glennan, ALA Representative
Subject: Revision of 0.6 Core Elements

ALA thanks BL for this proposal, which we support.

ALA commenters emphasized the importance of continuing to have ready access to a comprehensive list of RDA core elements within the Toolkit; most believe that the proposed link to an external list in 0.6.2 will suffice.

However, because subsets of the complete core element list will remain in RDA (1.3, 5.3, 8.3, 17.3, and 18.3), ALA wonders if references to those specific instructions should be added to the end of the proposed 0.6.2. We suggest the following as the final paragraph in 0.6.2, working from the BL proposal:

The elements identified in RDA as core elements are listed at <link to authoritative source>. RDA core elements are listed at <link to authoritative source>; specific core elements are also identified in the following instructions:

a) for data identifying and describing a manifestation or item, see 1.3
b) for data identifying a work, see 5.3
c) for data identifying a person, family, or corporate body, see 8.3
d) for primary relationships between a work, expression, manifestation, and item, see 17.3
e) for relationships between a resource and persons, families, and corporate bodies associated with that resource, see 18.3.

Note: If the JSC agrees with this recommendation and with the establishment of a core element instruction in 23.3 (proposed in 6JSC/ALA/31), 23.3 would also need to be represented on the above list. We suggest:

f) for relationships between a work and an entity that is the subject of that work, see 23.3.