To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

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Subject: Date of signing a treaty (6.29.1.33, 6.29.3.3)

The text and examples below reflect changes to RDA content from 6JSC/CILIP/2/rev and decisions made by the JSC during subsequent discussions via email and a conference call.

6.4 Date of Work

CORE ELEMENT

Date of work is a core element to identify a treaty. Date of work is also a core element when needed to differentiate a work from another work with the same title or from the name of a person, family, or corporate body.

6.4.1.3 Recording Date of Work

Record the date of the work in terms of the calendar preferred by the agency creating the data.

For works other than treaties, generally record the date of the work by giving the year or years alone. For treaties, generally record the date of the work by giving the year, month, and day (see 6.20.3.3).

6.20 Date of a Legal Work

CORE ELEMENT

Date of work is a core element to identify a treaty. Date of work also is a core element when needed to differentiate a legal work from another work with the same title or from the name of a person, family, or corporate body.

6.20.3 Date of Signing a Treaty, Etc.

CORE ELEMENT
Date of work is a core element when needed to differentiate a work from another work with the same title or from the name of a person, family, or corporate body.

6.20.3.3. Recording Date of Signing a Treaty, Etc.

Record the date a treaty, etc., or a protocol to a treaty, etc., was signed applying the basic instructions given under 6.20.1. Record the date as fully as possible in this order: year, name of the month, number of the day.

EXAMPLE

1978 December 18
Date of signing of a treaty between Australia and Papua New Guinea

1948 March 25
Date of signing of an agreement between Corporación de Fomento de la Producción (Chile) and the World Bank

1783 September 3
Date of signing of a treaty between France and Great Britain

1713
Year of signing of the Treaty of Utrecht

1994 April 15
Date of signing of the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization

Indicate the source from which the date was derived applying the instructions given under 5.8.

6.29.1.33 Additions to Access Points Representing Treaties, Etc.

[3rd and 5th paragraphs; 1st example for 5th paragraph]

If the access point representing a compilation of treaties, etc., is constructed using the collective name for the treaties, etc., (see 6.19.2.8), and the compilation contains all the treaties, etc., add the date, earlier date, or earliest date of signing (see 6.20.3).
If the access point representing a single treaty is constructed using the name by which the treaty is known, add the date, earlier date, or earliest date of signing (see 6.20.3).

**EXAMPLE**

Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization (1994 April 15)

**Resource described:** Uruguay Round of Multilateral Trade Negotiations / General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade. — Spine title: Final texts of the GATT Uruguay Round agreements including the Agreement Establishing the World Trade Organization as signed on April 15, 1994, Marrakesh, Morocco. Signatories not listed in text nor found in reference sources consulted