TO: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

FROM: Alan Danskin, British Library representative to JSC

SUBJECT: Revision to 6.2.2.10 (Recording the Preferred Title for a Compilation of Works of One Person, Family, or Corporate Body) and 6.2.2.4 (Works created after 1500)

The British Library acknowledges the National Library of New Zealand’s proposal to revise 6.2.2.10, but we do not support it.

We reject the suggestion that it is our policy to prefer the conventional collection title to the preferred title for a compilation; this is a misunderstanding of our practice.

In general, the Library takes the view that conventional collective titles have outlived their usefulness and that a review of this area is required.

Comments on Proposed Revisions

6.2.2.10 Recording the Preferred Title for a Compilation of Works of One Person, Family, or Corporate Body

We do not support the proposed change.

We believe that the existing wording is adequate. A compilation of works “known by a title that is used in resources embodying that compilation or in references works” makes it clear that a title used on the resource should be preferred to a conventional collective title.

6.2.2.4 Works Created after 1500

We do not support the proposed change.

We believe that the existing wording is adequate.