To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA  
From: Dave Reser, LC Representative  
Subject: Attributes of manifestations: Instructions for more than one instance of an element

LC thanks DNB for helping to resolve an issue that has caused considerable discussion here. We support the proposal, with a few specific comments:

0.6.1: Although DNB indicated that changes to 0.6.1 may be superfluous, we think the modifications to this instruction are key to understanding the principle. We suggest inserting the word “recording” in the new sentence proposed by DNB and changing “are” to “is”:

If only one instance of a core element is required, recording subsequent instances is discretionary.

2.8.2.4: DNB indicated that additional examples would be unnecessary as a result of this proposal. While we generally agree, we ask that at least one example illustrate the situation of more than one place of publication, as it has become a major concern with regard to records created for our Cataloging in Publication program. Rather than add a new example, we would like to modify the 4th existing example to add an explanation that illustrates the point of the DNB proposal:

London, UK  
Lawrence, KS, USA  
Source of information reads: London, UK – Vancouver, BC, Canada – Lawrence, KS, USA – Sydney, NSW, Australia. First and third places of publication recorded.