To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

From: Kevin Marsh, ACOC Representative

Subject: Musical arrangements – Revision of RDA 6.18.1.4 and 6.28.3.2.1

ACOC thanks EURIG for this proposal to revise the instructions for identifying arrangements more accurately. We support the proposal in general, but consider some aspects require further attention.

We recommend the words ‘judged useless’ in the proposed Alternative to 6.18.1.4 be replaced by ‘redundant’.

We recommend the fuller form of name (not just the last name) be used in the proposed examples at 6.28.3.2.1. As they stand these examples seem to indicate the last name is all that is required.

We also consider the way the proposed examples are laid out at 6.28.3.2.1 may not be as useful as it could be; they may be read as prescribing a preferred format for recording information, and inclusion of parenthesized information in catalogue records can be fraught when it comes to data interchange.