To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

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Subject: Changes in content characteristics

The text below reflects changes to RDA content from 6JSC/LC/7/rev and decisions made by the JSC during subsequent discussions via email and a conference call.

7.29 Note on Expression

7.29.1 Basic Instructions on Making Notes on Expression

7.29.1.1 Scope

A note on expression is an annotation providing additional information relating to content recorded as an expression attribute.

7.29.1.2 Sources of Information
Take information for notes on expression from any source.

7.29.1.3 Making Notes on Expression
When making a note on expression, apply the general guidelines on notes given under 1.10.

7.29.2 Note on Changes in Content Characteristics

7.29.2.1 Scope

A note on changes in content characteristics is a note providing information on changes in content characteristics that occur in subsequent issues or parts of a resource issued in successive parts or between iterations of an integrating resource.

7.29.2.2 Sources of Information

Use evidence presented by the resource itself (or on any accompanying material or container) as the basis for making notes on changes in content characteristics of the expression. If desired, take additional evidence from any source.

7.29.2.3 Change in Content Characteristics

Make notes on changes in content characteristics as instructed under 7.29.2.3.1 (multipart monographs and serials) or 7.29.2.3.2 (integrating resources), as applicable.

7.29.2.3.1 Multipart Monographs and Serials

If a content characteristic is changed in a subsequent issue or part,
make a note if the change is considered important for identification or selection. If the changes have been numerous, a general statement may be made.

**EXAMPLE**
Volumes 1-3 in French, volumes 4-7 in German.
Armenian, 1999-2007; Cyrillic, 2008-
Volumes 3-5 lack illustrations.
Volumes 1, 4, and 8 lack indexes.

7.29.2.3.2 Integrating Resources

Make notes on content characteristics no longer present on the current iteration if the change is considered important for identification or selection. If the changes have been numerous, a general statement may be made.

**EXAMPLE**
In French and English, 2002-2009
*Web site now only in French*

Related changes:

2.20 Note on Manifestation or Item
2.20.1 Basic Instructions on Making Notes on Manifestations or Items
2.20.1.1 Scope

A note on manifestation or item is an annotation providing additional information relating to manifestation or item attributes.

For notes on describing carriers, see 3.22.

2.20.1.2 Sources of Information

Take information for notes on manifestation or item from any source.

2.20.1.3 Making Notes on Manifestation or Item

When making a note on manifestation or item, apply the general guidelines on notes given under 1.10.

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3.22 Note on Manifestation or Item
3.22.1 Basic Instructions on Making Notes on Manifestations or Items
3.22.1.1 Scope

A note on manifestation or item is an annotation providing additional information relating to manifestation or item attributes.

For notes on identifying manifestations and items, see 2.20.

3.22.1.2 Sources of Information

Take information for notes on manifestation or item from any source.

3.22.1.3 Making Notes on Manifestation or Item

When making a note on manifestation or item, apply the general guidelines on notes given under 1.10.

=Glossary:

Note
An annotation providing additional information relating to data recorded in another element.

Note on Changes in Content Characteristics
A note on changes in content characteristics that occur in subsequent issues or parts of a resource issued in successive parts or between iterations of an integrating resource.

Note on Expression
An annotation providing additional information relating to content recorded as an expression attribute.

Note on Manifestation or Item
An annotation providing additional information relating to manifestation or item attributes.