To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA
From: Alan Danskin, United Kingdom Representative
Subject: Recording the Fuller Form of Name (9.5.1.1). UK Response

The British Library and CILIP thank CCC for this proposal. The paper was discussed by the CILIP/BL Committee on RDA at its meeting on 10th September.

General
We agree with the changes proposed, with the following suggestions and caveats.

Change #1
Revision of 9.5.1.1

A fuller form of name is a name or a group of names associated with a person that includes names not commonly used as part of the preferred name for the person. A fuller form of name may include:

We prefer the following definition,

“A fuller form of name is a name associated with a person that includes names not commonly used in the form chosen as the preferred name.”

This is closer to the current wording. We think the proposed insertion of, “or a group of names” is redundant.

a) the fuller form of a part or parts of a name represented only by an initial or abbreviation in the form chosen as the preferred name.

We think that the insertion of “or parts” is redundant. We believe that “diminutive form” would be a more accurate term than “nickname”. A nickname is more properly an alternative name, e.g. Pele.

We propose the following wording

a) "the fuller form of a part of any name represented by an initial, abbreviation, or diminutive, in the form chosen as the preferred name."