

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

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Subject: Proposals for Subject Relationships

CCC in its meeting on September 20, 2013, gave consideration to both 6JSC/ALA/Discussion/2 and 6JSC/Chair/8 as they present different options for the accommodation of instructions for subjects and classification in RDA. CCC prefers to wait until publication and approval of the FRBR Review Group report on consolidation of the FRBR models before revising the placeholder chapters.

CCC has a general preference for the approach taken in 6JSC/Chair/8 over 6JSC/ALA/Discussion/2 but for the reason already stated, we feel it is not the appropriate time to revise these chapters. We do offer some general comments for future reference.

- The use of the phrase “authorized access points” automatically excludes classification systems. We recommend that future proposals avoid use of that phrase;
- Alignment with FRSAD requires its own instruction 0.3.4. FRSAD should not be subsumed under FRAD;
- A discussion on the future of Chapter 16 would be required. Should it be re-scoped to include instructions on the use of “place as subject” and remaining instructions moved to Chapter 11?
- The future of the Concept, Event, Object and Place chapters should be given consideration after the release of the report on the consolidated FRBR model;
- proposed chapter 23 provides a definition of resource but the term is not used subsequently
- “Authorized Access Point for a Manifestation” and “Authorized Access Point for an Item” are not in RDA. If these are intended to be defined, they should be submitted in a separate proposal in the future;
- 23.5 Classification Numbers was not included.