To: RDA Steering Committee

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Subject: Revision to instructions for Commentary, Etc. Added to a Previously Existing Work (6.27.1.6)

CCC thanks the Library of Congress for this clarification of the application of the instructions in 6.27.1.6. CCC agrees with Option A but proposes a different wording in the first If/then structure to make clear that this is a compilation. The problem this instruction is trying to solve concerns the Authorized Access Point for the resource as a whole and whether to treat it as a compilation or as a single work. Once it is established that the resource can be treated as a compilation and not as a single work, and that the works contained within are also related to the resource, any further discussion of AAPs for commentaries, etc., becomes redundant.

CCC proposes this amendment of the first If/Then structure, building on LC’s Option A.

6.27.1.6 Commentary, Annotations, Illustrative Content, Etc., Added to a Previously Existing Work

If:

commentary, annotations, illustrative content, etc., is added to a previously existing work

and

it is considered important to identify both the previously existing work and the commentary, etc., as distinct works

then:

apply the instructions at 6.27.1.4 to construct an authorized access point for the compilation of the previously existing work and the commentary, etc. Treat the previously existing work and the commentary, etc., as related works (see RDA 25.1).

[example as proposed by LC]

The second If/then structure only has one condition, which normally could be given in a regular sentence. CCC suggests adding a second condition taking presentation into consideration.
If:

the work is presented as an expression of a previously existing work

and

it is not considered important to identify the commentary, etc., as a distinct work

then:

treat the previously existing work with added commentary, etc., as an expression of the previously existing work by using the authorized access point representing the previously existing work. If it is considered important to identify the particular expression, construct an authorized access point representing the expression as instructed at 6.27.3 RDA.

[examples unchanged]