

To: Renate Behrens, Chair, RDA Steering Committee

Cc: Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary

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Subject: Formal response to RSC/PlacesWG/2023/2 – Revision of Corporate Body: jurisdiction governed and Place: jurisdiction governed of

Recommendation 1. Revise the labels for Corporate Body: jurisdiction governed and Place: jurisdiction governed of to Corporate Body: place governed and Place: place governed of.

I approve of the recommendation in principle, but I recommend that the label for **Place: *place governed of*** be changed to **Place: *place governed by***. According to English grammar, a place is governed *by* an agent, not *of* an agent. A grammatically correct label is easier for RDA trainers, learners, and translators to understand, whereas the label recommended in the proposal may introduce confusion.

Recommendation 2. Revise the definition of the current Corporate Body: jurisdiction governed.

I approve of the revised definition presented in the proposal.

Recommendation 3. Revise the definition of the current Place: jurisdiction governed of.

I approve of the revised definition, but please see my response to Recommendation 1 regarding the element label.