

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

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Subject: Change to 19.3 and Appendix I. Recording relationships to persons, families, and corporate bodies associated with works of unknown or uncertain origin

ACOC thanks BL for this proposal to enable explicit designation of attributed responsibility for a creation of a work. We support the intent of the proposal but are not sure the changes, as proposed, achieve the expressed intention, and think the proposal may need further work.

The proposal acknowledges that *Other person, family, or corporate body associated with a work* is a person, family, or corporate body associated with a work other than as a creator, and that 'therefore it is proposed to add guidance at 19.3'. The proposal appears to be lacking that guidance, and the new instruction has been added at 19.3.1.4 without changing the definition of the element.

ACOC feels the heading proposed for the new instruction at 19.3.1.4 is a little awkward, and that a simpler phrasing would get the idea across a bit better, e.g., *Recording Other Persons, Families, and Corporate Bodies Attributed with the Creation of a Work*.

The wording of the proposed instruction at 19.3.1.4 should be in the plural form, i.e., 'one or more persons, families, or corporate bodies...', and there appear to be other grammatical clarifications required.

It may also be useful to provide a reference to the new instruction from the 19.2.1.1 scope, e.g., for instructions on recording other persons, families, and corporate bodies attributed with the creation of a work, see 19.3.1.4.