

To: Renate Behrens, Chair, RDA Steering Committee

CC: Anne Welsh, Secretary, RDA Steering Committee

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Subject: Formal response to RSC/TechnicalWG/2024/2, Proposal to revise definitions of *aggregate*, *aggregating work* and *Aggregates Guidance*

The RDA Examples Editor thanks the Technical Working Group and Education and Orientation Officer for their work and this proposal.

Recommendation 1: Revise the Glossary definition of aggregate.

Approve.

Recommendation 2: Revise the Glossary definition of aggregating work.

Approve.

Recommendation 3: Revise the *Aggregates Guidance*.

Approve, with suggested revisions:

- Under “Aggregate manifestations,” add text to second paragraph:
“In addition to the distinct expressions that are aggregated, An aggregate also embodies one and only one aggregating expression that realizes one and only one aggregating work that is the plan for selecting and arranging the expressions that are embodied in an aggregate.”
This addition helps to clarify the difference between aggregates and aggregating expressions.
- Retain the original order of contents in the Toolkit for the *Aggregates guidance* chapter (i.e., “Aggregating expressions” before “Aggregating works”). This order logically follows the flow of the WEMI model.
- A diagram would be helpful, perhaps one based on the diagram illustrating the model for aggregates in the LRM.