

To: RDA Steering Committee
From: Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary
Subject: Proposal to Revise Name of Corporate Body

The text below sets out decisions taken by the RSC in their meeting in July 2024.

RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/1 and its responses were [published on the RSC website](#) and [with stable URI in the institutional repository](#). Its discussion is recorded as Item 475 in [RSC/Minutes/469-482](#).

Publication of this Decisions Document was delayed until the Working Group presented [RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/2](#), which dealt with the rejected Recommendation 4.

Recommendation 1

Accepted with amendments:

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Ancient ~~and~~ international bodies

Examples of ancient or international bodies include religious bodies, councils, and assemblies (~~including church councils~~); fraternal and knightly orders, ~~church councils~~; and diplomatic conferences.

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Recommendation 2

Accepted:

Remove the instructions on [Autocephalous patriarchates, archdioceses, etc.](#):

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~~Autocephalous patriarchates, archdioceses, etc.~~

~~CONDITION A corporate body is an ancient autocephalous patriarchate, archdiocese, etc., of the Eastern Church. A corporate body has an official name and a name of place by which it is identified.~~

~~CONDITION OPTION Record a value of Place: name of place of a place by which a corporate body is identified.~~

Recommendation 3

Accepted with amendments:

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[Local Places of worship](#)

CONDITION

A corporate body is a religious institution that congregates at a ~~local~~ place of activity.

A value of Corporate Body: [name of corporate body](#) appears in different forms.

CONDITION OPTION

Record a value that appears most frequently in sources of information.

Example ...

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Record a value that is chosen in this order of preference:

1. a form of name containing the name of any person, object, place, community or event to which a ~~local church, etc.~~, place of worship is dedicated or after which it is named
2. a form of name ~~beginning with~~ containing a word or phrase descriptive of a type of ~~local church, etc.~~ place of worship
3. a form of name ~~beginning with~~ containing a name of a place in which a ~~local church, etc.~~, place of worship is or has been situated.

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Record a value that includes the name of a larger corporate body with which the place of worship is affiliated.

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Record a value that is chosen in this order of preference:

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Recommendation 4

Rejected. The Religions in RDA Working Group revised their approach, taking on board the feedback from the RSC at Item 475.2 in [RSC/Minutes/469-482](#) and this will be discussed at the November meeting of the RSC as [RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/2](#) (also archived with stable URI to [ALAIR](#)).