

# **Proposal to Revise Name of Corporate Body**

Prepared by the Religions Working Group for the April 2024 meeting of the RSC

## **Abstract**

Proposes new condition options for different forms of name for the same corporate body.

## **Background**

In light of the discussion in the July 2024 RSC meeting regarding Recommendation 4 in [RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/1](#) ([RSC/Minutes/469-482](#) Item 475.2), the Religions WG is revising its previous proposal.

## **Justification**

The instructions for [different names or forms of name for the same corporate body](#) do not currently explicitly permit use of the less-common name of preferred by the organization itself. Both condition options that we are suggesting are implicit, but we are trying to make them explicit.

## **Impact**

As stated in RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/1, we believe that existing practices for describing most religious institutions are still valid with our proposed revisions. The generalized instruction we are proposing to replace the existing instructions regarding places of worship provide the means to add policy statements that would address those specific institutions.

We believe that existing examples in the deleted instructions could be moved to other instructions and examples involving these persons in other parts of the Toolkit will still be valid.

## Recommendations

### Recommendation 1

Add a condition option under [different names or forms of name for the same corporate body](#) at [36.94.12.26](#)

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#### CONDITION

Two or more values of a name appear in manifestations.

No value of a name is predominant or *formally presented*.

A value of Corporate Body: name of corporate body is a brief form that is not specific enough to differentiate two or more corporate bodies with the same or similar names.

#### CONDITION OPTION

Record the form of name that appears in a source of information over the official form.

Example ...

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Record the official name.

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## **Recommendation 2**

Add a condition option to instructions for [conventional name](#).

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## CONDITION

A corporate body has a real or official name and a *conventional name*.

A corporate body is frequently identified by a *conventional name* in sources of information in a language of the corporate body.

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Example ...

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## Summary of Recommendations

**Recommendation 1:** Add a condition option under [different names or forms of name for the same corporate body](#) to record the official name.

**Recommendation 2:** Add a condition option to instructions for [conventional name](#) to record a real or official name.