

To: Renate Behrens, Chair, RDA Steering Committee
 From: Anne Welsh, RSC Secretary
 Subject: Formal responses to RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/2 – Proposal to Revise
 Name of Corporate Body

This document collates in tabular form the responses received from voting members of the RSC to [RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/2](#) viz.:

- [RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/2/EOO](#)
- [RSC/ ReligionsWG/2024/2/EURIG response](#)
- [RSC/ ReligionsWG/2024/2/ExamplesEditor](#)
- [RSC/ ReligionsWG/2024/2/NARDAC response](#)
- [RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/2/ORDAC response](#)
- [RSC/ ReligionsWG/2024/2/TranslationsTLO](#)
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Recommendation 1	Approved by 7 : EOO , EURIG , Examples Editor , ORDAC , TranslationsTLO , TTWG , WCEO Approved with suggested edits by 1 : NARDAC	Note 1: NARDAC suggests and alternative wording. Note 2: NARDAC suggests widening the application of approach.
Recommendation 2	Approved by 8 : EOO , EURIG , Examples Editor , NARDAC , ORDAC , TranslationsTLO , WCEO	Note 3: TTWG responds to a comment from NARDAC on the use of real / official name.
General Remarks		Note 4: EURIG calls for work from the Examples Editor and Examples Working Group

Note 1

[RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/2](#) suggests the wording:

CONDITION OPTION

Record the official name.

[NARDAC](#) observes: “We note that the usual RDA syntax would read “Record **an** official name” (and perhaps the syntax in the existing condition option should read “**an** official form”)”

Note 2

[NARDAC](#) states, “We do not understand why the condition option to use and official name offered with Recommendation 1 would not reply to any case where there are different forms of name for the same corporate body. We do not understand why it would apply only in cases where no value of a name is predominant or formally presented. All the preceding conditions/options could also involve a name that is not a real or official name and therefore require another option to choose the real or official name.”

NARDAC suggests placing a generalized Condition Option under Entities>Corporate Body>preferred name of corporate body> Different names or forms of name for the same corporate body ([82.09.48.83](#)). It suggests the wording:

CONDITION

Two or more values of a name appear in manifestations.

One value of a name is a real or official name.

CONDITION OPTION

Record a real or official name.

Note 3

The [Technical Team Liaison Officer](#) shares their response to an inquiry from the Chair of the Religions in RDA Working Group about an issue raised in [RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/1/NARDAC response](#):

“The second line of the condition, ‘A corporate body has a real or official name and a conventional name’ seems strange (aren’t all names real?).”

This is clearly relevant to the wording of Recommendation 2 in [RSC/ReligionsWG/2024/2](#).

The Technical Team Liaison Officer’s response is:

“It is an established policy for RDA that concepts with an understood and well-established meaning and terminology do not need to be defined in the RDA Glossary. Real or official names are commonly understood to be the name used for legal or official purposes, and which may be, and often are, different from a name used in day-to-day interactions or found on an information resource.”

Note 4

General remarks from [EURIG](#):

“EURIG appreciates this proposal for allowing the useful distinction between conventional and official names and for making implicit options explicit. We would strongly urge that the current examples be repurposed within the Toolkit and that the Working Group and the Examples Working Group consider whether additional examples would be useful, particularly the examples raised by the RSC in its July meeting and recorded in RSC/Minutes/469-482, item 475.2”.