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Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access

Report of the MAC Liaison (Preliminary)

To: Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access

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Provided below are summaries of the proposals and discussion papers considered by the MAC at the ALA 2015 MidWinter Meeting in Chicago, Illinois.

Complete text of the MAC proposals and discussion papers summarized below is available via the agenda for the MAC meetings of the 2015 ALA MidWinter Meeting on the MARC Advisory Committee web site: http://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/mw2015_age.html

Executive Summary:

Six proposals and one discussion paper presented. Proposals [###] passed. Proposals [###] failed. The discussion paper [will/won't] return as a proposal.

Narrative:

From the Chair: [Committee news]

LC Report: Update [##] released; [other LC news].

Proposal 2015-01 would add first indicator values to field 037 of 2 and 3 in order to allow sequencing of source of acquisition data, much like the similar arrangement in fields 260/264 allow the recording and sequencing of changes in publication data. This proposal [passed/didn't pass].

Proposal 2015-02 would add new specific subfields r & q (\$r & \$q) to field 046 of the Authority format to accommodate the emergent RDA element subtype "Period of Activity of a Corporate Body," which is more specific than the existing subfields s & t (\$s & \$t) for start and termination of an activity. This proposal [passed/didn't pass].

Proposal 2015-03 would add a new field 884 to the Bibliographic Format to facilitate identification of a record as sourced in a non-MARC data environment, specifically but not exclusively BibFrame. This proposal [passed/didn't pass].

Proposal 2015-04 would remove "Not used to record a number associated with a series statement." from the definition of field 088 to resolve previously explored shortcomings in the manner of recording technical report numbers. This proposal [passed/didn't pass].

Proposal 2015-05 would define a new code value in byte 008/07 of the Holdings Format, 'q' for Lease. This proposal [passed/didn't pass].

Proposal 2015-06 would add a new subfield e (\$e) to field 382 to record the number of ensembles specified in an associated subfield a (\$a). This would parallel the use of subfield n (\$n) to record the number of individual performers specified for individual instruments/voices recorded in \$a. This proposal [passed/didn't pass].

Discussion Paper 2015-DP01 explores creation of a specific MARC field to record the Format of Notated Music, which is currently indicated but inadequately supported in field 300 and the 008/20 & 008/21 bytes, with respect to cleanly presenting machine actionable data and multiple values. This discussion paper [will/won't] likely return as a proposal, [amplifying details].

Details:

Proposal 2015-01: Defining Values in Field 037 to Indicate a Sequence of Sources of Acquisition in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format

URL: <http://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/2015/2015-01.html>

Source: British Library

Summary: This paper proposes the definition of values for Indicator 1 in Field 037 to sequence sources of acquisition. It also proposes the definition of subfields \$3 and \$5 so that the materials and institution or organization to which a source of acquisition applies can be recorded.

Related Documents: [2011-02](#); [2014-DP06](#)

MAC Action taken:

12/18/14 – Made available to the MARC community for discussion.

1/31/15 – Discussed by MAC. [Synopsis of discussion.] Put to a vote: [passed/failed].

Proposal 2015-02: Adding Dates for Corporate Bodies in Field 046 in the MARC 21 Authority Format

URL: <http://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/2015/2015-02.html>

Source: British Library

Summary: This paper proposes that date of establishment and date of termination of a corporate body are accommodated in Field 046 (Special Coded Dates).

Related Documents: [2014-DP05](#); [2008-DP05](#); [2009-01](#)

MAC Action taken:

12/18/14 – Made available to the MARC community for discussion.

2/1/15 – Discussed by MAC. [Synopsis of discussion.] Put to a vote: [passed/failed].

Proposal 2014-03: Description Conversion Information in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format

URL: <http://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/2015/2015-03.html>

Source: Library of Congress

Summary: This paper proposes defining a new field in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format where the information regarding the process for the conversion of data in a description can be recorded.

Related Documents: [none]

MAC Action taken:

12/18/14 – Made available to the MARC community for discussion.

2/1/15 – Discussed by MAC. [Synopsis of discussion.] Put to a vote: [passed/failed].

Proposal 2014-04: Broaden Usage of Field 088 in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format

URL: <http://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/2015/2015-04.html>

Source: Alaska Resources Library and Information Services (ARLIS)

Summary: This paper proposes broadening the usage of field 088 (Report Number) in bibliographic records to include series numbers (in particular for series in technical report and government publications) by deleting the sentence "Not used to record a number associated with a series statement" in field 088's field definition and scope.

Related Documents: [2014-DP07](#)

MAC Action taken:

12/18/14 – Made available to the MARC community for discussion.

1/31/15 – Discussed by MAC. [Synopsis of discussion.] Put to a vote: [passed/failed].

Proposal 2014-05: Definition of New Code for Leased Resources in Field 008/07 in the

MARC21 Holdings Format

URL: <http://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/2015/2015-05.html>

Source: British Library

Summary: This paper proposes the definition of a new code for leased resources in 008/07 (Method of acquisition) in the MARC21 Holdings Format.

Related Documents: [none]

MAC Action taken:

12/18/14 – Made available to the MARC community for discussion.

2/1/15 – Discussed by MAC. [Synopsis of discussion.] Put to a vote: [passed/failed].

Proposal 2014-06: Defining New Subfield in Field 382 for Coding Number of Ensembles in the MARC 21 Bibliographic and Authority Formats

URL: <http://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/2015/2015-06.html>

Source: Music Library Association

Summary: This paper proposes that subfield \$e (Number of ensembles) be added to field 382 (Medium of Performance) in order to allow for the coding of number of ensembles.

Related Documents: [none]

MAC Action taken:

12/18/14 – Made available to the MARC community for discussion.

2/1/15 – Discussed by MAC. [Synopsis of discussion.] Put to a vote: [passed/failed].

Discussion Paper 2015-DP01: Recording RDA Format of Notated Music in the MARC 21 Bibliographic Format

URL: <http://www.loc.gov/marc/mac/2015/2015-dp01.html>

Source: Canadian Committee on MARC (CCM)

Summary: This paper presents options for recording the RDA data element Format of Notated Music in the Bibliographic format.

Related Documents: [none]

MAC Action taken:

12/18/14 – Made available to the MARC community for discussion.

1/31/15 – Discussed by MAC. [Synopsis of discussion, answers to question.] [Will/Won't] return as a proposal.

Other Reports:

Business Meeting:

LC Report: Update ## released; [other news].