

Cataloging Advisory Committee Meeting Notes – 9/21/2022

Attending:

Kelly Povero (Watkins Glen)
Shauna Comes (Cuba)
Jessica Lash (Corning)
Amanda Smith (Wellsville)
Sheila Weaver (Belfast)
Mandy Fleming, Kylie Baker, Larissa Wagner, Daniel Butler (STLS)

I: Update on approved 650 changes to local catalog bibliographic records

Library of Congress has officially replaced *Illegal aliens* with *Illegal immigration* and/or *Noncitizen*. Cataloging staff will continue to add the term *Undocumented immigrants* to any of these records. *Illegal aliens* has been replaced in the bibliographic records with *Illegal immigration*. Similar changes have also been made to the related subject terms *Women illegal aliens*, *illegal alien children*, and *Children of illegal aliens*.

Library of Congress has officially replaced *Aliens* with *Noncitizens*. Since extra effort needs to be used to distinguish relevant records from those referring to extraterrestrials, this remains to be done.

The Library of Congress term *Indigenous peoples* has been added to records containing *Indians of North America*. There were around 2,000 such records. This practice will continue.

Add *people* to 650s referring to groups without that distinction. Example: records with *Jews* will have a 650 added of *Jewish people*. This project has not started yet.

II: Update on developing and providing training in 650s and bibliographic records

This will begin with short videos with focused content intended primarily for staff use in training refreshers and training new staff. Development of these will begin before the end of the year, with future live trainings to be developed and held later.

III: Official country and place name changes prompting reconsideration of 651s

The short list of places to start with include locations whose names have changed as follows:

- Burma → Myanmar
- Bombay → Mumbai

- Turkey → Türkiye
- Czechoslovakia → Slovakia and Czech Republic

The Library of Congress authority record for *Bombay* has officially been replaced with *Mumbai* and that substitution will occur. *Slovakia* and *Czech Republic* are also now official LC authority records with See Also references to Czechoslovakia, although not to each other. Adding to and using these terms in bibliographic records as appropriate will commence. Adding the other two terms, *Myanmar* and *Türkiye* to bibliographic records with the authorized term had no opposition. This, too, will commence.

Yugoslavia was proposed as another location to consider for future change by several committee members.

III: Subject and genre terms to consider for potential future change

Chick lit. (655)

There was some strong opposition to continuing to use *Chick lit.* and potential alternative terms like *Easy reading* were proposed. No final decisions made.

East Indians (650)

There was no strong reaction about using this term. One committee member suggested the possibility of checking with a local group like the Sikh in Corning about their preferred terms.

IV: Other Concerns

The Corning library was wondering if there is currently anything in the catalog and bibliographic records to indicate when a title is considered a core book, and if there is not, are there any options to identify core titles in the ILS. After looking into it, currently there is no such mechanism in place, but an Item Category 1 will be assigned that can be used in Call Number and Item Maintenance by the Corning library going forward.

Next meeting: Wednesday, March 15, 2023 at 9:30 am