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Dear Mme McKay,

The Canadian Committee on Cataloguing is composed of members representing national library associations; it consists of six voting members, a number of consulting members, and three members at large.. The representatives from Canadian Library Association are two of the six full members with voting rights. In earlier times, these two representatives were nominated by the CLA Technical Services Interest Group. Until September, 2015, the two CLA members were Christine Oliver and Lynne Howarth but Lynne has decided to step down from the committee. This has created a vacancy at a time when there are many critically important issues coming before the committee and the vacancy is a concern to us. We understand the importance of the evolving situation with CLA, , but it would also be best for Canadian libraries to maintain the optimum capacity of the CCC by having both CLA seats occupied. Once the new structure of the national federation has been stabilized, the federation can develop a protocol for selection of members in the future. CCC would be happy to offer any advice or assistance during the development of such a protocol. However, we imagine that this will not be an immediate priority for the new federation. We'd like to propose an interim solution for your consideration.

We wish to propose that CLA uses its existing infrastructure for the nomination: nominate one of the Technical Services Network co-chairs as the CLA representative to CCC, as a provisional measure, until the future protocol has been established. The

current co-chairs are Emma Cross of Carleton University, and Chris Carr of Hamilton Public Library. Emma is already a member-at-large of CCC so is already familiar with the operation of CCC. We propose that Emma Cross be nominated by CLA as one of the two CLA representatives to the Canadian Committee on Cataloguing, and we request your approval.

For your convenience, I have attached a scan of a 1997 letter from CLA to CCC describing the nomination system.

Thank you for considering the needs of our Committee and the Canadian cataloguing community when there are already many demands on your time and attention.

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