

ADDENDUM (April 2006)

In October 2005, the CCA Board of Directors considered **Toward a Second Edition of RAD: A Report**. The Board agreed with CCAD's recommendation to proceed with Option 2, incorporating into the existing RAD structure those changes for which there is consensus within the Canadian archival community. In addition, the Board requested that CCAD pursue a strategy that combines elements of both Options 2 and 3, the latter option entailing more substantive change. Fundamental to this strategy would be a national meeting of experts in the field of description. This would be an opportunity to bring together archivists and other information management professionals, experienced and knowledgeable in the field of description, to reconsider RAD2 in light of such developments as *Describing Archives : A Content Standard (DACS)* and the third edition of AACR, renamed *Resource Description and Access (RDA)*.

Following its Strategic Plan for 2005-2006 and beyond, CCAD will proceed with integrating into RAD the changes listed in Option 2. This work is expected to be completed in 2007. CCAD will plan and coordinate the description summit, likely to be held in fall 2007 or spring 2008. CCAD will also work closely with Library and Archives Canada to develop *Concise RAD* and *Illustrated RAD* for the Canadian archival community. Finally, CCAD will continue to provide input into the development of allied descriptive standards, such as *Resource Description and Access*, through its representation on various national and international standards-setting bodies.