CTP/CJM Joint Working Group on Japanese Romanization Table

To address the Japanese Romanization issues that were identified in the final report of the Task Force on the LC Proposal Regarding Japanese Romanization, CTP and CJM jointly formed the Working Group on Japanese Romanization Table (WG).

Charges: see <http://www.eastasianlib.org/ctp/Subcommittees/sub_JpnRT.htm>

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Since its kickoff in September 2013, WG has been focusing its efforts to help the CEAL community understand and implement the changes that occurred in the revised Romanization Table. As of Mar. 31, 2014, WG has achieved the following:

Created group’s shared work space using PBWorks (<https://my.pbworks.com/>).

Created a Google group account to archive WG’s email communication.

Had 10 conference call meetings using ReadyTalk and Google Hangout (Oct. 14, 2013-Mar. 10, 2014).

Had a business meeting during the CEAL annual conference in Philadelphia.

Developed and distributed an announcement/instruction on the update of authority records to replace the diacritic alif to apostrophe (Dec. 2013).

Created an authority records update request form for non-NACO institutions, and distributed it along with the above instruction (Dec. 2014).

Created the “Japanese Romanization Table: significant changes in the 2012 revision (Mar. 2014).

Developed a draft survey on the utility of the Japanese Romanization Table.

WG plans to finalize and send out the survey to the community in early May 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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