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Discontinuance of MDS-HLAS

Beginning with the 2007 subscription year, the monthly MARC Distribution Service for the Handbook of Latin American Studies (HLAS) will be discontinued.

This decision was reached because of financial consideration due primarily to the declining customer base for MDS-HLAS. Also, the migration of the CDS MARC Distribution Services to a new server-based environment will be complete before the end of 2006 and the mainframe will be shut down. The revenue from MDS-HLAS is not sufficient to warrant allocating limited CDS programmer resources to rewrite the mainframe programs used to produce this service.

As a possible alternative to MDS-HLAS, subscribers can consider Web or Z39.50 access to LC's HLAS OPAC at <http://lcweb2.loc.gov/hlas/>.

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