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CDS Announcement

Conversion of Obsolete Language Codes

The Library of Congress will soon be undertaking a data cleanup project in which bibliographic records containing obsolete language codes will be updated with newer, valid language codes. The language codes (field 008 positions 35-37) that will be converted include:

gag (Galician) new code glg
snh (Sinhalese) new code sin

Overall we estimate approximately 25,000 records will eventually be involved in this cleanup effort. MDS subscribers should expect a larger number of records than normal in the upcoming MDS issues. This will also be the case when additional code changes are processed in mid-2009 (e.g., scc (Serbian) new code srp).

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