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Section Name Change

At its meeting in Berlin, the Standing Committee of the Serial Publications Section voted to change the Section’s name to Continuing Resources Section. The IFLA Professional Committee discussed this change at its meeting in December and asked the Standing Committee to consider changing the name to Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section. A vote of the Standing Committee was conducted by e-mail, and the Professional Committee suggestion was approved. Effective as of January 1, 2004, the name of the Section is Serials and Other Continuing Resources Section.
Minutes of the Standing Committee Meeting of the IFLA Serial Publications Section
69th IFLA General Conference and Council, Berlin, August 1st-9th, 2003

Saturday, 2nd August 2003
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Attendants:
SC members: Karen Darling (University of Missouri-Columbia, USA), Elena Garcia-Puente Lillo (Biblioteca Nacional, Spain), Elizabeth Gazdag (National Széchényi Library, Hungary), Kathryn S. Ginanni (EBSCO Information Services, USA), Helen Heinrich (Getty Research Library, USA), Agneta Holmenmark (National Library, Sweden), Nina Khakhaleva (Russian State Library), Frederick C. Lynden (Brown University Library, USA), Ann Okerson (Yale University Library, USA), Cathérine Omont (Bibliothèque Nationale de France), Simonetta Pasqualis (University Library Trieste, Italy), Hildegard Schäffler (Bayerische Staatsbibliothek, Germany), Barbara Sigrist (Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin, Germany), Edward Swanson (MINITEX Library Information Network, University of Minnesota, USA), Marie-Joelle Tarin (BIU Sorbonne, France), Hartmut Walravens (Berlin State Library, Germany)

Ex officio member: Françoise Pellé (ISSN IC, France)

Observers: Judy Kuhagen, (Library of Congress, USA), Christina McCawley (West Chester University, USA), Susanne Solberg (Die Deutsche Bibliothek, Germany)

Regrets: Marjorie Bloss (University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, USA), Jean Farrington (Lehigh University, USA), Paul Harwood ( Swets Blackwell, United Kingdom), Idrisi Musa (Ministry of Works, Uganda).

Welcome and introductions
As the Chair Marjorie Bloss was absent, the meeting was chaired by Karen Darling. All were welcomed to the meeting and everyone introduced themselves.

Approval of the Agenda
The Agenda was approved as follows:
1. Welcome and introductions
2. Administrative business
   2.1 Approval of the agenda
   2.2 Financial report
   2.3 Report from the Information Coordinator
   2.4 Appointments during IFLA Conference
   2.5 Election of officers
3. Report from the Coordinating Board
4. Section name change
5. Report from liaison to the ISBD Series Sub-Group
6. Review of the Strategic Plan
7. Program and workshop planning for Buenos Aires and Oslo
8. Future projects
9. Other business
10. Adjourn

Financial report
An interim financial report had been prepared by Marjorie Bloss. The only remaining funds are administrative funds. There have been no administrative fund expenditures thus far in 2003. Current administrative funds are $ 553.46. If the committee intends to use any of these funds before December 2003, we should contact Marjorie immediately.

Report from the Information Coordinator
Elizabeth Gazdag reported that only one issue of the Section’s newsletter has been published. Next issue is planned to be issued in November with the minutes from this meeting and a conference summary. The IFLA SC Web site has been updated. The Annual report edited by Marjorie Bloss will be available on the IFLANET after the
conference. Hartmut Walravens thanked Elizabeth for her continued excellent work as our information coordinator.

**Appointments during the IFLA Conference**
Kathryn Ginanni was willing to serve at the IFLA booth on Tuesday 5th August. Helen Heinrich volunteered to report from the open session and the workshop organized by the Section.

**Election of officers**
The Chair called for nominations for the Chair of the Section. Agneta Holmenmark nominated Edward Swanson who was elected. Edward will also be the Treasurer for the Section. The Chair called for nominations for the Secretary. Ann Okerson nominated Hildegard Schäffler who was elected. Frederick C. Lynden was elected as the new Information Coordinator. New and outgoing officers were asked to participate in the CB Meeting of the Division V on Friday 8th August. New officers were asked to attend the extra CB Meeting on Sunday 3rd August to elect the chair of the Professional Committee.

**Report from the Coordinating Board**
Agneta Holmenmark reported:
- The Professional Committee has decided to carry out a thorough review of IFLA Sections in 2007. FAIFE will serve as a pilot for evaluation.
- There are new guidelines for planning congress programmes. Each section will be entitled to no more than one 2-hour programme slot. Sections are encouraged to cooperate having joint programmes to receive double or triple time. Each section should also think of ways such as publications, guidelines or regional conferences to extend IFLA’s reach beyond the confines of the conference. Instead of “open sessions” and “workshops” there will only be “programmes”. The first CB Meeting will be shorter but for the rest of the business meetings there will be no changes.
- There was a call for a facilitator and a recorder for the session *Lifelong literacy @ your library* held by Kay Raseroka, President-elect of IFLA on Wednesday 6th August. Edward Swanson volunteered to participate and report from the session.

**Section name change**
A letter had been sent out to the Section’s members, asking them to consider changing the name of the committee. This suggestion was made at last year’s IFLA conference in light of the completed ISBD(CR) revision. Some pros and cons from the attendants:
- The scope has been changed and the name Serial publications is too narrow.
- We are dealing with continuing resources and this should be reflected in the Section’s name. We should change the name to get librarians used to the term “continuing resources”.
- We should wait for the results of the evaluation of the sections.
- We will have an overlap with other sections dealing with continuing resources e.g. Newspapers and Acquisition and Collection Development.
- We should keep the term “publication”. In copyright law management databases are publications.

At the end there were three proposals and it was suggested to have a voting. The result was as follows:
1. Serial publications and other continuing resources - 3 votes
2. Continuing resources – 10 votes
3. Leave the name as it is: Serial publications - 0 votes

Four members abstained from voting. It was decided to ask the Professional Committee for approval to change the Section’s name to Continuing Resources Section.
Friday 8th August 2003

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Attendants

SC members: Karen Darling, Elena Garcia-Puente Lillo, Elizabeth Gazdag, Kathryn S. Ginanni, Helen Heinrich, Agneta Holmenmark, Nina Khakhaleva, Frederick C. Lynden, Simonetta Pasqualis, Hildegard Schäffler, Barbara Sigrist, Edward Swanson, Marie-Joelle Tarin, Hartmut Walravens.

Ex officio member: Françoise Pellé

Observers: Laura Delrue (Bibliothèque de l’Université de Littoral, France), Christina McCawley, Andreas M. Heise (Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin, Germany), Ulrike Junger (Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin, Germany), Regina Reynolds (Library of Congress, USA), Nikola Rudolph (Zentral- und Landesbibliothek Berlin, Germany),

Report from liaison to the ISBD Series Sub-Group
Elizabeth Gazdag and Edward Swanson reported from the meeting. The ISBD Series Sub-Group will make a proposal for the next IFLA Conference.

Review of the Strategic Plan
The Mission statement was considered to be valid. The term serial publications has to be replaced by the term continuing resources and this applies to the whole text in the Strategic Plan. All goals were also considered to be valid and no further goals were suggested. A small correction was made in the text of Goal 1: ... provide for the impact...

Comments concerning actions:
Goal 1. Action 1.1 Complete French translation of the Section’s Basic Serials Management handbook. This action is still valid. Elizabeth Gazdag reported that the Hungarian edition is almost updated and revised by the author Judith Szilvássy. This work will be ready by the end of this year. The revision and translation of the English version will start next year.
Action 1.2 Prepare a revision of a Basic Serials Management Handbook. This action is still valid. Elizabeth Gazdag reported that the Hungarian edition is almost updated and revised by the author Judith Szilvássy. This work will be ready by the end of this year. The revision and translation of the English version will start next year.
Action 1.3 Enter a discussion with the Round Table of Newspapers regarding its future position within the IFLA structure. This action was considered done and was deleted.
Action 1.4. Publish the Russian translation of the Basic Serials Management Handbook and organize a following workshop or conference programme. This action is successfully carried out by the posting of the Russian translation on IFLANET and by organizing a seminar “Innovations in Serials Management”, in Moscow in October 2002.
Action 1.5 Create a Serials Resources List on the Section’s website on IFLANET. Helen Heinrich reported that a part of it is done and will be posted on the Section’s website on IFLANET after the conference. The wording was changed to Maintain a Continuing Resource List on the Section’s website on IFLANET. This action was moved to Goal 2. Action 2.1.

Goal 2. Action 2.1. Complete work on serials union catalogues in association with UAP Core Programme Activity by updating and redesigning the Directory of Union Catalogues. Agneta Holmenmark reported that this project is finished by now. Action 2.1. was deleted and replaced by the new one about maintaining a continuing resource list.

Goal 3. Action 3.1 Participate in the revision of ISBD(CR) as well as related work in collaboration with the Cataloguing Section and the ISBD Working Group. This action is finished and was deleted.
Action 3.2. Continue close liaison with the ISN International Centre was changed by omitting “and support development of OSIRIS”.
Action 3.3 Monitor the development and application of national and international
standards, including SICS, DOI and UNIMARC for holdings, by involvement in relevant working groups. The action remains but it was suggested that the acronyms SICI, DOI and UNIMARC should be defined. It was decided to add an action 3.4 concerning cooperation with Statistics Section and ISO.

Goal 4. Actions 4.1.-4.3. should be kept without any changes.

Goal 5. Actions 5.1.-5.3. should be kept and it was suggested to have additional actions under goal 5 concerning promoting serials work.

Edward Swanson will compile the suggestions to a final version of the Strategic Plan and send it to the members for approval and comments.

Program planning for Buenos Aires and Oslo
For Buenos Aires Françoise Pellé was willing to ask ISSN Argentina if they would have some interesting topics. Françoise also suggested to have a presentation on Latinindex - the Latin American catalogue, where many countries are involved. Another proposal was to have a programme about access to Latin American continuing resources. Françoise and Elena Garcia-Puente will contact colleagues in Latin America. Karen Darling will ask the Acquisition and Collection Development Section about their programme planning for Buenos Aires. The proposals have to be sent to Edward Swanson before 15th November.

For Oslo Hartmut Walravens suggested to have a programme concerning Serials Interest Groups. Hartmut volunteered to follow up the suggestion and contact other sections for a joint programme. If there is a great interest this could be organized as a Satellite Meeting.

Future projects
Suggestions for new projects:
- Revision and translation of the English version of the Basic Serials Management Handbook.
- Translation of the ISSN Manual.
- Revising and printing the Section’s brochure in all IFLA languages.
  Volunteers for the translations: Kathryn Ginanni and Frederick Lynden (English), Catherine Omont and Marie-Joelle Tarin (French), Nina Khakhaleva (Russian), Elena Garcia-Puente (Spanish). It was decided to start with the English version. Regina Reynolds was willing to assist. The draft will be distributed to the members for approval and comments. Deadline for the draft is 1st December 2003.
- A Multilingual Lexicon for Continuing Resources on the Web. There should be a link to the Multilingual Dictionary for Cataloguing Terms which is a current project managed by the Cataloguing Section. Karen Darling, Helen Heinrich, Barbara Sigrist, and Hildegard Schäffler formed a Working Group to investigate the feasibility of the project.
- An Italian translation of the ISBD(CR)

Proposals for next year projects should be sent to Edward Swanson before 1st October. The revision of the Section’s brochure was considered to be the most important project.

Other business
- Françoise Pellé presented the new ISSN Manual published in August 2003. Françoise also reported that the ISSN Standard - ISO 3297 is undertaking its five year revision. Françoise will give a brief update next year.
- Thanks were expressed to Karen Darling for chairing the Committee Meetings and the Section’s Programmes, to Elizabeth Gazdag, the Outgoing Information Coordinator and to Agneta Holmenmark the Outgoing Secretary. They were all thanked for their excellent work.
Adjourn
The Chair thanked all members and observers and closed the meeting.

Agneta Holmenmark
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Strategic Plan, 2004-2005

Mission

The Serial Publications Section concerns itself with all issues that make continuing resources unique in both the print and electronic environments. These include: bibliographic standards and control; holdings information; national and international library co-operation; access and availability; conservation and archiving; collection management and development; pricing issues; copyright and licensing issues; and, relationships with the publishers and suppliers of continuing resources, as well as other related organisations. The accelerating impact of technological developments on library continuing resources producers, liaison with suppliers, and the continuing resources publishing industry also fall within the remit of the Section. As access rather than ownership becomes an increasingly important issue, the Section is committed to working closely with the appropriate Core Activities and Standing Committees within IFLA.

Goals

1. Promote the importance of best practice in library continuing resources collection management and development, and provide for the impact of new technology.

(Professional priorities: (a) Supporting the role of libraries in society; (b) Defending the principle of freedom of information; (d) Providing unrestricted access to information; (f) Promoting resource sharing; (h) Developing library professionals; (i) Promoting standards, guidelines and best practice; (k) Representing libraries in the technological marketplace; President’s themes: Advocacy; Partnerships and Alliances; Continuing Professional Development)
Actions

1. Complete French translation of the Section’s Basic Serial Management Handbook
2. Prepare a revision of the English edition of Basic Serial Management Handbook
3. Investigate liaison with appropriate groups within IFLA and outside of IFLA to develop a syllabus for education about continuing resources

2. Work towards the improvement of national and international cooperation on access to continuing resources information to include bibliographic information, holdings, abstracting and indexing services, etc.

Actions

3. Create a Continuing Resources List (i.e., a list of useful continuing resources links) on the Section’s Web site on IFLANET
4. Plan and present a program on continuing resources in Central and South America and the Caribbean nations, including access to them and their bibliographic control, during the IFLA Conference in Buenos Aires in 2004, to incorporate information on Latindex and the acquisition of materials from the region

3. Promote the importance of, and improvement to, national and international standards for continuing resources.

Actions

3.1 Continue close liaison with the ISSN International Centre, e.g., cooperate in the revision of ISO 3297
3.2 Monitor the development and application of national and international standards, including Serial Item Contribution Identifier (SICI), Digital Object Identifier (DOI), and UNIMARC for holdings, by involvement in relevant working groups
3.3 Work with IFLA Statistics and Evaluation Section to develop revised and new definitions for statistical reporting relating to continuing resources
3.4 Investigate the development of a list of multilingual standardized equivalences for terms related to continuing resources, possibly in coordination with the work being done by the Cataloguing Section on a multilingual dictionary of cataloguing terms

4. Work with a variety of groups outside IFLA (e.g., publishers, authors, suppliers, serials interest groups) and IFLA sections to promote co-operation within the serials information chain

Actions

4.1 Provide information to publishers, authors, suppliers, and serials interest groups on the importance of improvement to national and international standards for continuing resources.
4.2 Promote the importance of, and improvement to, national and international standards for continuing resources.

(Professional priorities: (a) Supporting the role of libraries in society; (b) Defending the principle of freedom of information; (d) Providing unrestricted access to information; (f) Promoting resource sharing; President’s themes: Advocacy; Partnerships and Alliances)
Actions

4.1 Discuss further collaboration with the Acquisitions & Collection Development Section on survey of the costs of licensing agreements versus subscription costs
4.2 Continue participation in meetings and activities towards closer co-operation with publishers and subscription agents
4.3 Continue close liaison with other serials-related organizations such as the UK Serials Group, the North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG), and German Serials Interest Group (GeSIG)

5. Raise the profile of the Section by improving dissemination of information about the programmes, publications, and activities of the Section and by attracting and involving new members

(Professional priorities: (a) Supporting the role of libraries in society; (b) Defending the principle of freedom of information; (d) Providing unrestricted access to information; (f) Promoting resource sharing; (g) Preserving our intellectual heritage); (h) Developing library professionals;
President’s themes: Advocacy; Partnerships and Alliances; Continuing Professional Development)

Actions

5.1 Continue the inclusion of reports on appropriate programmes and other activities in the Section’s Newsletter
5.2 Continue to ensure that the Section’s Information Co-ordinator mounts further information about the Section and its activities on IFLANET
5.3 Work with the chairs of serials interest groups to promote the Section and attract new members
5.4 Promote continuing resources work to library and information science students through various outreach efforts
5.5 Distribute to appropriate electronic groups notice of the availability of the Section’s Newsletter on IFLANET
5.6 Revise and update the Section’s brochure

2003 August

SERIALS PUBLICATIONS SECTION PROGRAMMES AT THE 2003 IFLA CONFERENCE IN BERLIN

Reported by Helen Heinrich
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Rules, Formats and Cooperation

The Section’s Open Programme, entitled “Rules, Formats and Cooperation”, was held on Wednesday, August 6, 2003, and featured three papers.

• ISSN, CONSER, and cataloging convergences in a digital World
Presented by Regina Reynolds (Library of Congress, Washington D.C., USA)

The leitmotif of Regina Reynold’s paper was Cooperation. She gave an overview of necessity and feasibility of international cooperation by using examples of existing and future cooperative programs.

Usage of the same standards (CONSER), mix of the same and different standards (ISSN network), short and long term solutions like conversion programs
Benefits:
- Increased number of resources, decreased number of staff
- Reduction in cataloging cost
- No duplication of work
- Utilization of others’ bibliographic knowledge

Result: More copy cataloging

Aids to cooperation:
- Common goals
- Common principles
- Common technology
- Common standards
- Common language

Reynolds outlined existing examples of cooperation:
- AACR2: translated into 20 languages, based on ISBD
- LCRIs: contribute to greater consistency within Conser records
- MARC21: 10 languages, used in 50 countries, numerical tags allow use with different languages
- CONSER: documentation (Editing guide and Manual), training of new members, SCCTP, communication through meetings.
- ISSN network: 30+ years of cooperation, 75 countries, mix of standards, harmonization with ISBD (CR) and AACR2
- Cataloging cooperation: conversions will be made to and from MARC21 and UNIMARC, integrated records.

She also gave examples of some challenges to broad cooperation:
- Format problem: MARC21 vs. MAB2 (Germany); Dublin Core, ONIX (publishers’ format), etc
- Content problem: different standards for the contents of bibliographic records

In conclusion, Reynolds listed some of the cooperation projects that are in development:
- International Cataloging Code (based on Paris Principles)
- Harmonization in serials: ISBD(CR), AACR2, ISSN
- Virtual International Authority File
- ISST: International Standard Serial Title
- Cooperation of LC with EZB (Germany, Electronic Journals Library)

BARBARA SIGRIST (Staatsbibliothek zu Berlin, Berlin, Germany) gave a presentation on the only serials catalog in Germany in her paper “Die Zeitschriften­datenbank, the German Union Catalogue of Serials: the ZDB”, which is available on IFLANet <http://ifla.org/IV/ifla69/papers/005esigrist.pdf>

The third speaker was PETER BURNETT (Bodleian Library, Oxford, UK), who gave a presentation on “SUNCAT: a serials union catalogue for the United Kingdom”.

Burnett spoke about process of development, goals and objectives of SUNCAT. The main reason for the creation of the Catalogue is to facilitate the access to information resources and advance development of online tools in the UK.

SUNCAT goals:
- Act as a key online tool
- Upgrade local catalogs
- Allow interoperability in UK

SUNCAT’s aim to be a centralized catalog will be implemented in two phases. The records will be obtained from CONSER, ISSN, and local libraries. During the first phase of the project 22 major university libraries became participants. Each library contributes between 50K and 150K records.

SUNCAT Partners are EDINA (Edinburgh University Library) and ExLibris; 180 more libraries will contribute their records during the Phase II of the project.

For more information on SUNCAT please visit http://www.suncat.ac.uk
Electronic Journals: How They are Changing Our Lives

On Thursday, August 7, the Serial Publications Section and the Reference Work Section co-sponsored a workshop titled “Electronic Journals: How They are Changing Our Lives”.

This workshop examined the effect of electronic journals on a number of library activities:

- Selection of titles for a library
- How e-journals are packaged and distributed
- Licensing and rights management
- Workflow in Acquisitions and Cataloging
- Reference and Public Services work

A panel representing six libraries presented their perspectives on these topics. Instead of a formal presentation, each panelist was given a list of questions to answer. The questions are available at http://ifla.org/VII/s16/annual/ws03.htm . The workshop was very well attended and produced a lively discussion. The panel consisted of seven librarians from Germany, the United States, Mexico, and Spain.

Below are some of the statements and concerns expressed at the workshop during the panel discussion and the question and answer session:

- Can we have permanent access to archived issues? Can we put them on CD-Roms or print out the copies?
- Is there an “ideal licenses” with permanent access? Can we trust them?
- Can we trust the formats? Old media will be replaced by new media.
- What is the legal framework for legal deposit of e-journals at National Libraries?
- In Spain separate libraries have no power to negotiate. They can do that only through a consortium.
- In Idaho, University Attorney handles the licensing. But he/she does not look through every license. They compiled a list of unacceptable points.
- In Mexico there is a law that regulates sale of licenses.
- Generally, lawyers did not have enough ejournal licensing experience and were learning by doing.
- In Denmark National Library Authority provides advice on licensing
- ALA helps with licensing agreements advice.
- Some smaller publishers don’t know about licensing themselves, e.g. how to deal with remote access.
- General rule of thumb: No more rights in e-journals but no less than in print versions.
- Some publishers don’t recognize different locations for universities. For example, UCLA and UC Berkeley; different buildings at Harvard; in Caribbean – one university may be on three islands.
- University of Mexico has difficulties with licensing at its extension in San Antonio, TX where they use Mexican e-journals.
- Where is the end of Fair Use? It may depend on license. It is an undefined term and not using it in license agreements could be an advantage for libraries.
- Libraries have different experiences with cataloguing e-journals. At University of Boise, Idaho, e-journals are not in the catalog; in university libraries of Berlin there is no distinction between e-journals and print journals, they all are in one catalog.
• At Lund University (Sweden) all e-journals are searchable on article level because local system metadata is part of license agreement. The same approach is used by ten other Swedish universities. Some publishers, however, charge extra for providing metadata. Similar situation takes place in Czech Republic, where publishers supply metadata.

• An informal survey conducted by Regina Reynolds revealed that most libraries use a two-record approach. The main reason behind it is that if an aggregator database changes, the e-journal records can be easily pulled out.

• Polish Library Association in 2001 created Commission for E-publications.

Serials Resources Page

Full text searchable index of library-related electronic serials
http://sunsite.berkley.edu/IndexMorganagus

Interactive Electronic Serials Cataloging Aid
http://staffweb.library.northwestern.edu/serials/iesca

Serials in Cyberspace: Collections, Resources and Services
http://www.uvm.edu/~bmaclenn/

Licensing Electronic Resources
http://arl.org/scomm/licensing/licbooklet.html

AACR2 and Seriality
http://lcweb.loc.gov/acq/conser/seriality.html

ACQWEB's Directory of Publishers and Vendors
http://acqweb.library.vanderbilt.edu/acqweb/pubr.html

All that JAS: Journal abbreviation Sources
http://public.iastate.edu/~CYBERSTACKS/JAS.htm

CONSER Editing Guide, 1994 Edition:
www.tlcdelivers.com/tlc/crs/edit7375.htm

CONSER Cataloging Manual

www.tlcdelivers.com/tlc/crs/manl1573.htm

CONSER Publication Pattern Initiative:
www.loc.gov/acq/conser/patthold.html

North American Serials Interest Group (NASIG)
http://www.nasig.org/

Revising AACR2 to Accomodate Seriality
http://www.nlc-bnc.ca/jsc/ser-rep0.html

SCCTP (Serials Cataloging Cooperative Training Program)
www.loc.gov/acq/conser/scctp

Serials Cataloging Issues, Conser (Cooperative Program for Serials Cataloging)
www.loc.gov/acq/conser/issues.html

Serials Format Cheat Sheet for Fixed Fields
http://www.libraries.psu.edu/iasweb/techserv/ser/ffnearcopy.htm

Serials Record Division (LC)
http://lcweb.loc.gov/acq/srd/

Serials Holding Codes for Newfoundland Union list of Serials
www.mun.ca/library/cat/table/serialcodes.htm

SERIALIST Archive
www.uvm.edu/~bmaclenn/serialst.html

Tools for Serials Cataloging
www.library.vanderbilt.edu/ercelawn/serials.html

U.S. ISSN Center
http://lcweb.loc.gov/issn/issnhome.html

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