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<p>Guidance</p>	<p>Recording Title Proper</p> <p>Nonfiling Characters</p> <p>LC practice/PCC practice: If a title proper begins with a definite or indefinite article, transcribe the article but generally disregard it for sorting and filing purposes. Indicate the number of nonfiling characters using the MARC 245 field 2nd indicator or the appropriate BIBFRAME property. However, do not disregard certain articles:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. When the title proper begins with an article that appears as part of a personal, family, geographic, or corporate name and is retained in such a name;</li> <li>2. When the title proper begins with an article and the context or cataloger's judgment require its retention, e.g., such titles as:</li> </ol>
<p>MARC Examples</p>	<p>Example 1</p> <p>245 00      \$a "The" as an introductory element of generic nouns</p> <p>Example 2</p> <p>245 00      \$a "El Cid" in literary criticism of the 20th century</p>
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