

BACKGROUND: *The free-floating subdivision –Foreign relations is used under names of countries (or regions made up of two or more countries) for works that discuss the diplomatic relations between these countries and other sovereign states. (The terms **country** and **countries**, as used in this instruction sheet, include such entities as colonies, protectorates, and other jurisdictions capable of conducting diplomatic relations, as well as jurisdictions that at any time during their history functioned as autonomous states, such as Sicily.) This subdivision is not used under jurisdictions below the country level since they do not conduct diplomatic relations and were never sovereign states. For works that discuss general relations or military relations, the subdivisions –Relations or –Military relations are used. For instructions on the use of these subdivisions, see H 1996. For classification of works on foreign relations, see F 592.*

1. Diplomatic relations between one region or country and other regions or countries in general. Assign the heading [*region or country*]**–Foreign relations** without further subdivision by place, for works that discuss the diplomatic relations of the region or country in general, that is, with three or more regions or countries.

Do not further subdivide headings of this type by free-floating century subdivisions. Headings may be further subdivided by period subdivisions, if they have been editorially established. Do not interpose the subdivision **–History** between **–Foreign relations** and its period subdivisions.

2. Diplomatic relations between two specific regions or countries. Further subdivide the subdivision **–Foreign relations** by place for works that discuss the diplomatic relations between two regions or countries. Make an additional subject entry with the two places in reversed positions. *Example:*

651 #0 \$a Great Britain \$x Foreign relations \$z Argentina.
651 #0 \$a Argentina \$x Foreign relations \$z Great Britain.

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2. *Diplomatic relations between two specific regions or countries.* (Continued)

Do not further subdivide headings of this type by period subdivisions. If appropriate, assign additional headings to bring out a specific time period. *Example:*

Title: Austria and the Soviet Union, 1918-1935.

651 #0 \$a Austria \$x Foreign relations \$z Soviet Union.

651 #0 \$a Soviet Union \$x Foreign relations \$z Austria.

651 #0 \$a Austria \$x Foreign relations \$y 1918-1938.

651 #0 \$a Soviet Union \$x Foreign relations \$y 1917-1945.

3. *Diplomatic relations between a region or country and the Catholic Church.* Assign the heading **Catholic Church–Foreign relations** to works on the general diplomatic relations of the Catholic Church, that is, on its diplomatic relations with three or more regions or countries. Assign the heading **Catholic Church–Foreign relations** (*May Subd Geog*) to works on the relations of the Church with a specific region or country. When assigning this heading with local subdivision, assign the additional heading **[place]–Foreign relations–Catholic Church**.
Examples:

Title: The Holy See and the international order.

610 20 \$a Catholic Church \$x Foreign relations.

650 #0 \$a Papacy (International law)

650 #0 \$a Popes \$x Temporal power.

Title: Austria and the papacy in the age of Metternich.

610 20 \$a Catholic Church \$x Foreign relations \$z Austria.

651 #0 \$a Austria \$x Foreign relations \$x Catholic Church.

610 20 \$a Catholic Church \$z Austria \$x History \$y 19th century.

650 #0 \$a Church and state \$z Austria.

651 #0 \$a Austria \$x History \$y Francis I, 1792-1835.

600 10 \$a Metternich, Clemens Wenzel Lothar, \$c Fürst von, \$d 1773-1859.

3. *Diplomatic relations between a region or country and the Catholic Church.*

Examples: (Continued)

Title: *Anglo-Vatican relations, 1914-1939.*

610 20 \$a Catholic Church \$x Foreign relations \$z Great Britain.
651 #0 \$a Great Britain \$x Foreign relations \$x Catholic Church.
651 #0 \$a Great Britain \$x Foreign relations \$y 1910-1936.
651 #0 \$a Great Britain \$x Foreign relations \$y 1936-1945.
610 20 \$a Catholic Church \$x History \$y 20th century.

Do not assign the heading **Vatican City–Foreign relations**, nor headings of the type **[place]–Foreign relations–Vatican City**.

4. *Diplomatic relations between a region or country and the Palestinian National Authority.*

See H 980 sec. 4.

5. *Diplomatic relations between a region or country and the Hanseatic League.* Assign the heading **Hanseatic League–Foreign relations** to works on the general diplomatic relations of the Hanseatic League, that is, on its diplomatic relations with three or more regions or countries. Assign the heading **Hanseatic League–Foreign relations** (*May Subd Geog*) to works on the relations of the League with a specific region or country. When assigning this heading with local subdivision, assign the additional heading **[place]–Foreign relations–Hanseatic League**.

Examples:

Title: *Herrscher und Hansestädte : Studien zum diplomatischen Verkehr im Spätmittelalter.*

610 20 \$a Hanseatic League \$x Foreign relations.

Title: *Die deutsche Hansa in Russland.*

610 20 \$a Hanseatic League \$x Foreign relations \$z Russia.
651 #0 \$a Russia \$x Foreign relations \$x Hanseatic League.