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## Introduction

**Scope.** The directory deals with material in the British Isles on any subject relating to, published in, or in a language of, the territory at present occupied by Albania, Bulgaria, Czechoslovakia, the D.D.R. (only since 1945), Greece (only since 1821), Hungary, Yugoslavia, Poland, Romania and the U.S.S.R. (in Asia as well as in Europe). It excludes material on Finland, and on Turkey within its modern frontiers. Archive and manuscript collections are noted only for institutions included on the strength of their printed book holdings.

**Sources and Date of Information.** Most of the information for individual libraries was obtained by means of a questionnaire circulated in June 1970, and stock figures (which in many cases are only approximate) should be taken as showing the position in mid-1970, unless otherwise stated. All draft entries except the few "abbreviated" entries were referred to the librarians concerned for verification in October 1970.

**Arrangement of Directory.** Part 1, the main body of the directory, lists libraries in alphabetical order of the postal town in their address, sub-arranged within each town in alphabetical order of the library's title. All libraries in the London Postal Area are arranged alphabetically by title under **LONDON**. References from alternative locations and titles are given in the Index.

Part 2 lists names, addresses and telephone numbers *only* of other sources of information on Eastern Europe (embassies, trade and cultural organisations, tourist offices, news agencies, British academic associations and journals, and specialist booksellers).

The Index, in which reference is to entry number, is a reasonably comprehensive listing of subjects and institutions mentioned in Part 1 of the text.

**Arrangement of Entries for Individual Libraries.** Each entry gives the title of the library; its full postal address (with postcode where allotted at the time of going to press); telephone and telex numbers; and the names of the librarian and any other senior staff member with special responsibility for East European material.

In the case of a few small collections not being systematically expanded, this information is followed only by a statement of stock size. For the remainder, a description of the history, size, character and special features of the relevant collections is given which is as complete as available information and space allow. Finally, data is given under the following headings:

<i>Hrs</i>	Hours of opening
<i>Admission</i>	Regulations for reading and borrowing, in particular for

	those not belonging to the institution or parent body concerned.
<i>I.L.L.</i>	Conditions under which inter-library loans are made to other libraries.
<i>Access</i>	Physical location, accessibility and arrangement of material.
<i>Union record</i>	Catalogues and classification schemes in use.
<i>Searches</i>	Union catalogues and lists recording any relevant part of the library's holdings.
<i>Services</i>	The extent to which library staff will undertake bibliographical searches on behalf of users.
<i>Copying</i>	Abstracting, translation or information services provided.
<i>Microreading</i>	Facilities for obtaining full-size or other copies of material in stock.
<i>Typing</i>	Whether equipment is available to read any microform material held in the East European field.
<i>Publ.</i>	Whether readers may type on the premises. (Note that typewriters are rarely provided.)
	(a) Publications of the library itself, especially those concerning East European holdings.
	(b) Published descriptions and catalogues of the library in general and its East European holdings in particular.
	Listings under both heads are selective. The publisher is the library itself unless otherwise stated.

## List of Abbreviations

<i>B.N.B.</i>	<i>British national bibliography</i>
<i>BUCOP</i>	<i>British union catalogue of periodicals</i>
<i>E.M.R.L.S.</i>	East Midlands Regional Library System
<i>I.L.L.</i>	Inter-library loan(s)
<i>L.A.</i>	Library Association
<i>L.A.S.E.R.</i>	London and South East Region (Library System)
<i>N.C.L.</i>	National Central Library
<i>N.L.L. (S.T.)</i>	National Lending Library (for Science and Technology)
<i>N.W.R.L.S.</i>	North Western Regional Library System
<i>SCONUL</i>	Standing Conference of National and University Libraries
<i>S.W.R.L.S.</i>	South Western Regional Library System
<i>U.D.C.</i>	Universal Decimal Classification
<i>W.L.S.P.</i>	<i>World list of scientific periodicals</i>
<i>W.M.R.L.S.</i>	West Midlands Regional Library System