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Let $A = (a_{j,k})_{j,k \geq 1}$ be a non-negative matrix. In this paper, we characterize those $A$ for which $\|A\|_{E,F}$ are determined by their actions on decreasing sequences, where $E$ and $F$ are suitable normed Riesz spaces of sequences. In particular, our results can apply to the following spaces: $\ell_p$, $d(w,p)$, and $\ell_p(w)$. (Received July 31, 2007)