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Modern Language Association. 17 August 2004

<http://www.mla.org/publications/style/style_faq/style_faq4>.

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Chamberlain, Neville. "Peace for Our Time." Euro Docs. Hacken, Richard, ed. 30 September 1938.

Harold B. Lee Lib., Brigham Young U. 17 August 2004

<<http://www.lib.byu.edu/~rdh/eurodocs/uk/peace.html>>.

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<<http://www.thoughtcrime.org/drugs.html>>.

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McHugh, Paul. "Rare Otters Surface in S.F. Bay." [San Francisco Chronicle](#) 17 January 1998: A1.

[LexisNexis Academic](#). LexisNexis. California State U, Stanislaus Lib., Turlock, CA. 13 May 2004 <<http://www.lexis-nexis.com/>>.

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[Librarianship](#) 4.2-3 (Fall 2003). 19 pars. 11 May 2004

<http://southernlibrarianship.icaap.org/content/v04n03/Luzius_j01.htm>.

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Stern, Eric. "Two-Year Deal Will Cut Local Budgets." [Modesto Bee](#) 13 May 2004. 13 May 2004

<<http://www.modbee.com/>>.