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References:

Harvard's annotated *Model Open-Access Policy*, revision 1.7 of April 17, 2010, 00:57:25.
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