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About the ASA

The American Sociological Association (ASA), founded in 1905, is a non-profit membership association dedicated to serving sociologists in their work, advancing sociology as a scientific discipline and profession, and promoting the contributions and use of sociology to society. As the national organization for over 13,000 sociologists, the American Sociological Association is well positioned to provide a unique set of benefits to its members and to promote the vitality, visibility, and diversity of the discipline. Working at the national and international levels, the Association aims to articulate policy and implement programs likely to have the broadest possible impact for sociology now and in the future.

Publications

ASA publications are key to the Association's commitment to scholarly exchange and wide dissemination of sociological knowledge. ASA publications include eight journals (described below); substantive, academic, teaching, and career publications; and directories including the Directory of Members, an annual Guide to Graduate Departments of Sociology, a biannual Directory of Departments of Sociology, and a Directory of Sociology, and Practice.

The official journal of the ASA is the *American Sociological Review*, published bimonthly. The ASR is devoted to publishing original works of exceptional quality from all areas of sociology. *Contemponary Sociology*, also bimonthly, publishes reviews and critical discussions of recent works in sociology and in related disciplines which merit the attention of sociologists.

The Association also publishes four quarterly journals. Social Pychology Quarterly (formerly Sociometry) is devoted to research in all areas of social psychology. The Journal of Health and Social Behavior is devoted to sociological analysis of the problems of human health and welfare. Sociology of Education is devoted to studies of education as a social institution. Teaching Sociology publishes research on the teaching of sociology as well as innovative teaching ideas and strategies.

Sociological Theory, published three times a year, reports recent developments in all areas of sociological theory. Sociological theory contains, the aricles of interest to a wide variety of researchers.

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Joining these publications is Footnates, ASA's monthly newsletter, which reports on important issues relating to the discipline, departmental news, activities of the ASA and the Executive Office, and developments at a national level. The Employment Bulletin, published monthly in print and electronic form, offers timely announcements on fellowships and on current position vacancies in academic and practice settings.

reface

Over the years, ASA authors and editors have sought consensus on style and format. Editors and managing editors have been concerned that too many authors submitting to their journals are uninformed about journal guidelines on format and style. Authors have been uncertain about what ASA style really is. Is it the same for all ASA journals? Is it the *Chicago Manual* style? The American Psychological Association style? Elements of both? Copy editors have noted these problems as well, and have added that many authors fail to communicate clearly in their writing.

At the October 1991 meeting of ASA Managing Editors, participants agreed that they should address these problems by providing some concrete guidance to authors and editors—to specify the kind of writing style and manuscript organization ASA journals expect. The original draft of this style guide was completed in October 1992. It went through several revisions, was approved by the ASA Committee on Publications in August 1995, and was first published in 1996. This second edition (being published in Fall 1997) incorporates electronic citations and recent style revisions.

Undertaking a project like this requires a team leader. Karen L. Bloom, Managing Editor of the American Sociological Review, assumed this responsibility. With commitment and vision, she worked with the ideas and materials offered by ASA editors, editorial boards, and committees to create this style manual. She deserves our special thanks for the professionalism, talent, and enthusiasm she brought to this task.

The Style Guide is based on what editors, managing editors, and copy editors for ASA journals have observed to be the most common style and format problems in manuscripts accepted for publication. It is the result of the combined efforts of the Committee on Publications, ASA editors, managing editors, and copy editors. We hope it serves as a useful reference for ASA authors and editors alike.

Felice J. Levine ASA Executive Officer

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Style Matters

The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language defines style as "the way in which something is said, done, expressed, or performed.... The combination of distinctive features of literary or artistic expression, execution, or performance characterizing a particular person, group, school, or era" (1992:1785). Style thus encompasses organizational constraints, professional requirements, and the writers inclinations and preferences.

Some matters of style, such as citation style and subhead formats, can be defined precisely in a style guide such as this. Such definitions guide the editor's red pencil and help her or him achieve a degree of uniformity in the final form of published works. Achieving some uniformity in style among ASA publications is one goal of this guide.

Other matters of style should remain in the hands of the author. Obviously an author's ideas are important, but almost as important is how the author expresses those ideas. Writing is simply communication using the written word, and writing style—the choice of word or turn of phrase—can help the reader understand or can create confusion and frustration. A second goal of this document, then, is to encourage authors to think about the effectiveness of their writing style. Many a book has been written on how to write effectively; a brief style guide like this can offer, through suggestion and example, only an idea here or there. We hope it will motivate readers to work at expressing their ideas more clearly.

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Some Matters of Style

Clarity

Communicating your thinking clearly demands that you write clearly. Approach your subject in an orderly way. Define your terminology clearly at the outset. Then use it consistently to keep your readers on track. For example, if your research focuses on "fear," do not mix in the words "anxiety," "stress," and so on, to add variety—you only add confusion.

The following excerpt from Joseph M. Williams's Style: Ten Lessons in Clarity and Grace (1989) uses the writing of the well-known sociologist Talcott Parsons to illustrate how an author's ideas can be obscured by an opaque writing style. What do you think?

It is true that every profession—any group, professional or not—demands of its members a tone of voice and vocabulary that testify a writer has accepted the implicit values that define the group. A physicist, or engineer, or psychologist must learn not only to think like a professional, but also to sound like one as well. To be sure, even if scholars always wrote clearly, we still would find much of their writing difficult. To understand advanced work in any field requires that we possess the knowledge known only to its inhabitants, that we control their technical vocabulary and understand the nuances of their particular forms of argument.

But when an unfriendly prose style conspires with problems of substantive complexity, it becomes difficult, if not impossible, for the educated lay-person to appreciate even the outlines of issues that may have significant consequences for society in general. Some claim that high-level scholarship cannot be made clear to the lay-reader. Sometimes, perhaps, but less often than a lot of scholars might think. Here, for example, is an excerpt from an article by Talcott Parsons, a social scientist who was as influential in shaping the way sociologists think about society as he was notorious for his oppaque style.

Apart from theoretical conceptualization there would appear to be no method of selecting among the indefinite number of varying kinds of factual observations which can be made about a concrete phenomenon or field so that the various descriptive statements about it articulate into a coherent whole, which constitutes an "adequate," a "determinate" description. Adequacy in description is secured in so far as determinate and verifiable answers can be given to all the scientifically important questions involved. What questions are important is largely determined

by the logical structure of the generalized conceptual scheme which

implicitly or explicitly, is employed.

revise this passage ..., we can make it accessible to a moderate

If we revise this passage . . . , we can make it accessible to a moderately well-educated audience:

If scientists have no theory, they have no way to select from among everything they could say about something only that which would fit into a coherent whole, a whole that would be "adequate" or "determinate." Scientists describe something "adequately" only when they can verify answers to questions that they think are important. They decide what questions are important on the basis of the theories that they implicitly or explicitly use.

And even that could be made more direct:

To describe something so that you can fit it into a whole, you need a theory. When you ask a question you need a theory to verify your answer. Your theory even determines your question.

The simplest version may omit some of the nuances. But Parsons's excruciating style must numb all but his most masochistically dedicated readers. (Williams 1989:29 -31)

Bias-Free and Gender-Neutral Writing

Avoid gender bias and ethnic stereotyping in your writing. Use words such as "person," "people," or "humankind" rather than "man," "men," or "mankind."

When you must refer to both sexes in a sentence, use "he or she," "her or him," "his or hers" instead of "he/she," "him/her," "his/hers." Vary the gender order on occasion. Also, of course, you can change your subject to plural; "they" is "genderless."

Refer to the fourth edition of the Publication Manual of the American Psychological Association (1995:50–51, 54–56) for additional ideas on how to approach gender-neutral and bias-free writing. The American Heritage Dictionary of the English Language (1992:831) also provides excellent suggestions for gender-neutral language in a usage note that follows the entry for "he."

Verbs

Voice

sentence tells the reader what happened, but attributes the action to no one. tells the reader "who did it," and the active verb says what happened. A passive wordy, and it makes more interesting reading. The subject of an active sentence The resulting prose is often colorless and boring. For example: Use the active voice whenever possible. The active voice is more precise and less

Passive voice: "Three hundred fifty college graduates between the ages of 25 and 35 were queried."

Active voice: "A team of 14 trained interviewers queried 350 college graduates between the ages of 25 and 35."

passive voice by saying "The authors found . . ." rather than "It was found" the work. If you are uncomfortable using the first person, you can avoid the voice. Do not be modest. It is all right to toot your own horn. After all, you did Using the first person ("I" or "we") in your text can help you avoid the passive

Passive voice: "All 350 interview transcripts were analyzed."

interview transcripts." Active voice: "With help from two graduate students, we analyzed all 350

Tense-Past or Present?

tense you prefer and stick with it. your paper can use different verb tenses, but within each section decide on the Most problems with verb tenses result from inconsistency. Different sections of

research has already been completed: past research, so why not use the tense that best communicates that the Generally, the past tense works best for literature reviews. You are discussing

In their study on education and income, Smith and Jones (1964) found that did high school graduates. the college graduates in their sample earned more over the life course than

Sometimes mixing past and present tense within a sentence communicates

Jones (1969) concluded that students are more likely to cohabit than they are to marry.

> it was when she completed her study. In this case, Jones's conclusion is understood to be timeless—as correct today as

Past tense also works well to describe what you did in your study—your meth-

We completed our interviews in the spring of 1992

cates equally clearly to your reader: In your results and discussion sections, either past or present tense communi-

The results support our hypothesis.

The results supported our hypothesis.

Wordy Phrases

cally use in your writing. Some commonly used words and expressions can weigh down your writing. ply reading this list may help you discover some unnecessary words you typipresents some common wordy phrases and suggestions for replacements. Simlowing list, compiled from Day (1994, app. 4) and Williams (1989:100-103), long words, or one descriptive word instead of a phrase that says little. The fol-You can simplify your text by using "plain" language-short words instead of

| an example of this is the fact that an order of magnitude faster analyzation another aspect of the situation | adjacent to aggregate along the lines of | accordingly accounted for by add the point that | a majority of a number of absolutely essential | a considerable amount of a considerable number of a great deal of | Wordy |
|--|--|---|---|---|--------|
| for example 10 times faster analysis as for | near total like | so because, due to, caused by add that | most a few, several, many, some essential | much many much | Better |

| end result | enclosed herewith | employ | elucidate | during the time that | during the course of | due to the fact that | despite the fact that | demonstrate | definitely proved | construct | considerable amount of | consequently | consensus of opinion | nature of | concerning, concerning the | completely full | communicate | commence | collect together | causal factor | by means of | based on the fact that | at this point in time | at the present writing [or time] | at the conclusion of | at some future time | at an earlier date | at a rapid rate | assist, assistance | as to | as related to | as regards | as per | as of this date | as is the case | as a matter of fact | as a consequence of | are of the same opinion | are of the opinion that | approximately | MOTOR |
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| result | enclosed | use | explain | while | during, while | because, since | although | show, prove | proved | build | much | SO | consensus | | about | full | (i.e., use a specific verb) | Degin | COLLECT | cause | by, with | because | now | поw | after | later | previously | rapidly | help | about (or omit) | for, about | about | (omit) | today | as happens | in fact (or leave out) | because | agree | think that | about | |

| in my opinion it is not an unjustifiable assumption that in reference [with reference to, in regard to] | in many cases | in light of the fact that | in favor of | in connection with | in close proximity | in case, in case of | in almost all instances | in a very real sense | in a position to | in a number of cases | important essentials | impact (verb) | if at all possible | have the appearance of | have in regard to | have an input into | has the capability of | has been engaged in a study of | give rise to | give an account of | future plans | from the point of view of | for the reasons that | for the purpose of | following | firstly [secondly, etc.] | first of all | finalize | fewer in number | few [many] in number | fatal outcome | fabricate | exhibit a tendency to | except in a small number of cases | eventuate | entirely eliminate | endeavor | Wordy |
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| about | often I think | because | for, to | about, concerning | close, near | if we will be a second of the | nearly always | in a sense (or leave out) | can, may | some | essentials | affect | if possible | look like | about | contribute to | Can | has studied | cause | describe | plans | for | because, since | for, to | after | first [second, etc.] | first | end | fewer | few [many] | death | make | tend to | usually | happen | eliminate | try | Better |

| investigation that its hould be noted that the X | it is often the case that | it is observed that | it is clear fobvious that | it is apparent that it is believed that | it has been reported by Smith | is defined as | involve the necessity of | inquire | initiate | initial | incline to the view | inasmuch as | in view of the fact that | in view of the above, in view of the | in the vicinity of | in the possession of | in the opinion of this writer | in the not-too-distant future | procedure | in the normal course of our | in the neighborhood of | in the nature of | in the matter of | in the majority of instances | in the first place | in the event that | in the course of | in the case that | in the case of | in the absence of | in terms of | in some cases | in respect to | in relation with | in relation to | in rare cases | in order to | Wordy |
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| We conclude that, our findings indicate that | often | (omit) | therefore of code (t | apparently | Smith reported | is (will frequently suffice) | require | ask | begin, start | THE POST OF THE PO | think | | | therefore, because | near | has, have, owned by | in my opinion, I believe | soon | • | normally | about | like | about | usually | first | H. 0 | during | if when | (can usually omir) | without | about, in, for (or omir) | sometimes | about | with | toward, to | rarely | 100 | Better |

the foregoing the fullest possible extent

the, this, that, these, those (omit, or use "most," "completely," or "fully")

(usually can be deleted)

the data show that X the existence of

that is, i.e.

(usually can be deleted if phrase or clause to which it refers has been written clearly)

the only difference being

the question as to whether or not

except whether

| Wordy | Better |
|--|-------------------------------|
| it stands to reason | (omit) |
| it was noted that if | H. |
| it would not be unreasonable to assume | I [we] assume |
| leaving out of consideration | disregarding |
| make an examination of | examine |
| modification | change |
| necessitate | require, need |
| not of a high order of accuracy | inaccurate |
| notwithstanding the fact that | although |
| objective | aim, goal |
| of considerable magnitude | big, large, great |
| of very minor importance [import] | unimportant |
| on a few occasions | occasionally |
| on account of the conditions described | because of the conditions |
| on account of the fact that | because |
| on the ground that | because |
| perform an analysis of | analyze |
| presently | now |
| prior to, in advance of | before |
| proceed to investigate [study, analyze] | (omit "proceed to") |
| relative to this | about this |
| resultant effect | effect |
| subsequent to | after |
| sufficient | enough |
| synthesize | unite |
| taking this factor into consideration, it is | therefore, therefore it seems |
| apparent that | |
| terminate, termination | end |
| | |

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| within the realm of possibility | it is clear that | mind it is clear that | with this in mind, with this in | with the result that | with the exception of | with reference [regard, respect] to | usage | under way | transmit | to summarize the above | to be sure | considered | there are not very many to be | Wordy |
|---------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------------------|-------|----------------|----------|------------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------------|--------|
| possible, possibly | | | therefore | so that | except | (omit, or use "about") | use | begun, started | send | in sum, in summary | of course | 4 | few | Better |

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Punctuation

followed by two spaces. Use only one space after all punctuation—periods and colons should not be

Commas

rect: tent. Technically both of the following examples are understandable and cor-Use a comma after introductory phrases when needed for clarity. Be consis-

In 1991, the GNP dropped once again.

In 1991 the GNP dropped once again.

before the conjunction joining the last two: When listing three or more words, phrases, or clauses in series, use a comma

He gathered data on their cultural, educational, and socioeconomic back-

Use a comma before a conjunction that joins two independent clauses:

ject's questions. The interviewers introduced themselves, and then they answered the sub-

complex predicate: In general, do not use a comma before a conjunction joining two parts of a

The interviewers introduced themselves and answered the subjects ques-

comma to avoid ambiguity. Now: If the second part of a complex predicate is long, you may insert a

Colons and Semicolons

begin the sentence after the colon with a capital letter: When a colon follows a complete clause and introduces a complete sentence,

of the professional exchanges, but the women seldom interrupted the men. The results were as follows: The men interrupted the women in 25 percent

Semicolons connect two related clauses more powerfully than do conjunctions. Use a semicolon to strengthen the relationship between two statements:

The results are unequivocal; the contemporary attitude toward the future is pessimistic.

phrases; use semicolons to separate numbered lists of complex phrases or begin with a clause followed by a colon and then by a series of numbered Lists of important points are often numbered in the text. Such lists typically Use commas to separate numbered lists consisting of simple

to the financial or the industrial sector. of the firm, (2) the age of the firm, and (3) whether the firm is connected Three firm-level attributes distinguish one firm from another: (1) the size

Three firm-level attributes distinguish one firm from another: (1) the size of the firm, measured by number of employees in 1992; (2) the age of the firm, measured in 1992 by the number of years since incorporation; and (3) whether the firm is connected to the financial, industrial, or service sec-

finances, middle-class families). Hyphenate compound adjectives (e.g., never-married men, family-based

understandable as a single word (e.g., policymaker). thirty-eight, great-granddaughter, unless it otherwise is more readable and Use a hyphen in compound nouns and numbers, such as decision-making,

(e.g., non-Hispanic) fixes (e.g., nonfarm, precontrol) unless the prefix precedes a proper noun Do not hyphenate words beginning with "non," "pre," and other such pre-

tion on using hyphens in compound words and with prefixes. See the Chiago Manual of Style (1993:202-204, 219-31) for more informa-

Em Dashes

explanatory clause or phrase, or to set off parenthetical elements. nify a break in thought that causes an abrupt change in a sentence, to add an manuscript by typing two consecutive hyphens. You can use an em dash to sig-An em dash is equal in length to the point size of the font you are using; an em dash in 12-point type is 12 points wide. You can indicate an em dash in your

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ered separately. Each of the three variables—education, income, and family size—is consid-

events in the news. Our conclusion—the students sampled were not concerned about current

as a minus or negative sign and in citations and references to indicate ranges of can use a hyphen.) An en dash is half the width of an em dash. En dashes are used in text or tables pages in a book or journal. (If you don't know how to key in an en dash, you

See Johnson (1994:122-35) for additional information

ture change of -2 degrees. During the last two years, we have experienced an average annual tempera-

and so on, In tables, use an en dash to indicate ranges of dates or variables. In your text, however, use "to" or "through" to express ranges of years, values for variables,

In text: We used the income data from 1952 to (or through) 1960

In table: Income 1952-1960

Apostrophes

and Moses'). See the Chicago Manual of Style (1993:200-201) for additional trophe and s, as in student's, Congress's, Cox's, and Parsons's (exceptions: Jesus' examples. Form the possessive for proper names and singular nouns by adding an apos-

only, as in witches' recipes and students' transcripts Form the possessive of a plural noun that ends in "s" by adding an apostrophe

Apostrophes are also used to form contractions—can't, isn't, and so on.

Capitalization

an, the), and coordinating conjunctions (and, but, or). In the titles of books and articles, capitalize the first word in the title or subtitle and all words except prepositions (of, into, between, through), articles (a,

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chological Classes." "A Provisional Distribution of the Population of the United States into Psy-

additional examples. American, Appalachian. See the Chicago Manual of Style (1993:246-47) for locations or linguistic populations. For example, Hispanic, Asian, African Capitalize the names of racial and ethnic groups that represent geographical

nating racial groups. According to ASA style, black and white should not be capitalized when desig-

ern states, southern industry, etc.) are not capitalized appear in lower-case type. The adjectival forms of these words (e.g., midwestreferring to groups, northerners, southerners, and midwesterners should ers and Northerners only when referring to the Civil War; otherwise, when North, the Midwest, and so on, when referring to places. Capitalize Southern-Capitalize references to regions of the United States, such as the South, the

Spelling

nals to determine correct spelling and usage. Whatever dictionary you have on tor of an ASA journal may ask you what dictionary you have used as a referhand, use it to maintain consistency in your text. The editor or managing editage Dictionary of the English Language (1992) are frequently used by ASA jour-Webster's Ninth New Collegiate Dictionary (1990) and/or The American Heri-

If your dictionary lists two or more spellings for a word, use the first spelling (e.g., "benefited" rather than "benefitted," "focused" rather than "focussed.")

Spell out words such as "percent," "versus," and "chi-square" in the text of your

Dates

Some examples of dates correctly presented in text are:

nineteenth\century

twentieth-century poets (include a hyphen when used as an adjective)

1930s; mid-1980s

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January 19, 1968

April 1989 (no comma between month and year)

1928 to 1931 (in text use "to" instead of en dash between years)

newspaper and magazine articles (e.g., January 19, 1968). Spell out the months in entries in your reference list and in text citations of

Numbers

and up in numerals. Always spell out numbers at the beginning of a sen-In your text, spell out numbers from one through nine. Write numbers 10 tence. And, of course, references to tables, hypotheses, and so on, should use

One hundred twenty-four suspects avoided capture by the 14 officers.

They completed nine interviews during the first morning

Table 3 presents a summary of results

Ordinal numbers follow the same rules as above—first, second, ninth, 10th,

1101-1108, and others like these) should be elided (e.g., pp. 132-48, pp. an en dash (see page 13). Most page references (except for pp. 102-106, pp. In your text citations and reference list, indicate inclusive page numbers with 1002-11, pp. 1054-82).

Some Exceptions to the Number Rules:

numerals. Usually, numerals are more understandable. For example: sistent in your presentation-either spell them all out or write them all as When numbers are part of a pair or series of comparable quantities, be con-

There were 3 children in the car and 10 in the van

Always use numerals with percent:

Of the 23,823 students registered for the first semester, only 3 percent were

Express numbers less than 1 million in numerals; for numbers greater than 1

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million, write a numeral followed by the word "million," "billion," and so on.

We counted 10,500 birds

The population increased by 4.2 million in 1982

When referring to centuries, spell out the ordinal (e.g., the nineteenth cen-

rev., 4th ed., and so on. (For more examples, see the Chicago Manual of Style In citations or reference lists, express all ordinals as numerals-2d ed., 3d 1993:294-95.)

Some Miscellaneous Style Considerations

of "which," do so. not set off by commas. In general, if you can comfortably use "that" in place restrict the meaning of the subject or the main clause. Restrictive clauses are In general, use "that" in restrictive (defining) clauses—clauses that define or

The data that came from the university were crucial to our study

be set off by commas or parentheses because such clauses are indeed parenplementary information. Nonrestrictive clauses always use "which" and must change the meaning of the subject or main clause, but simply provide sup-Use "which" for nonrestrictive (nondefining) clauses—clauses that do not

request from the authors. The data, which came from several different sources, are available on

se, ad hoc, et al.). used foreign words or terms, however, should appear in roman type (e.g., per Foreign words in your text should be italicized or underlined. Commonly-

and abbreviations in your text, refer to the Chicago Manual of Style use it and present the acronym in parentheses. For details on using acronyms If you must use an acronym, spell out the complete term the first time you (1993:459–86).

Later: "CPS data show that..." First use: "The Current Population Survey (CPS) includes...."

> Do not use abbreviations such as "etc.," "e.g.," or "i.e." in your text. Use these abbreviations in parenthetical information, however. phrases such as "and so on," "for example," or "in other words." You may use

readily understood by the general sociologist (e.g., cultural capital, Blau space, etc.). In other words, some terms used in specific areas of sociology are not

Use "U.S." as an adjective, "United States" as a noun

U.S. currency is the medium of exchange in the United States.

Preparing Your Manuscript for Submission: Details

Many editors will return your manuscript with no more than a brief glance if it does not meet journal specifications. Attention to format requirements can save you and the editor much time and frustration.

Page Format

Print your manuscript in type large enough for easy reading. The margins should allow the editor and copy editor plenty of space to write notes. Your paper may be returned to you if this is not the case. Therefore, please heed the following guidelines:

- (1) All text, including the acknowledgments, abstract, text, footnotes, and references, must be printed double-spaced in a clear, easy-to-read typeface on 8-1/2 by 11-inch paper. Ten-pitch type (10 characters per inch) is preferred; this is about the same size as 12-point type. Please avoid dot-matrix type.
- (2) Margins must be at least 1-1/4 inches on all four sides to allow ample space for the copy editor's notes.
- (3) Use *italic* type for variables in mathematical equations and text; use bold italic type to indicate vectors or matrices in equations and text. (See *Chicago Manual of Style* 1993:443—44.) If you cannot print bold or *italic* type, indicate *italic* characters by a straight underline and bold characters by a wavy underline.

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| Variable | Coefficient |
|----------------------------------|---------------|
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| Military government (1 = Yes) | .043*** |
| | (010.) |
| Debt (x\$1,000,000) ² | .112 (105) |
| Years since independence | 5.13* |
| | (2.40) |

Source: United Nations (1985).

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*p < .05**p < .01 ***p < .001 (two-tailed tests)

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Appendix B

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