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I have drafted the sample citations below to aid researchers in observing prevailing style conventions when citing TREN documents. Since the latest revision of Turabian's *Manual* was published in 1996, I have taken the liberty of following the more current provisions of *The Chicago Manual of Style*, 15th edition (2003), in Turabian citations that include electronic retrieval information.

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