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Ms. Anja van Hoek
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Dear Ms. Hoek:

One of my happiest duties as Editor & Publisher of *Choice* is announcing publication of our annual **Outstanding Academic Title** list. It gives me great pleasure to report that the following Brill USA, Inc title has been selected for inclusion in *Choice*'s annual OAT list, which will appear in the January 2010 issue of *Choice Magazine*:

The City in the Islamic world, ed. by Salma K. Jayyusi with Renata Holod, Attilio Petruccioli, and André Raymond.

This year's **Outstanding Academic Title** list includes 652 books and electronic resources chosen by the *Choice* editorial staff from among the 7,065 titles reviewed by *Choice* during the past year. Of these, 612 are print products; the remaining 40 are electronic. These outstanding works have been selected for their excellence in scholarship and presentation, the significance of their contribution to the field, and their value as important—often the first—treatment of their subject. Comprising just over 9 percent of the titles reviewed by *Choice* during the past year, and less than 3 percent of the more than 25,000 titles submitted to *Choice* during this same period, **Outstanding Academic Titles** are truly the “best of the best.” As always, only a select group of publishers and authors are represented on such a list. Congratulations to you and your colleagues on this outstanding achievement.

Please note that we will not be publicly releasing this year's **Outstanding Academic Title** list until January 1. We ask your assistance in keeping this information confidential until that time.

Again, congratulations on an outstanding publishing achievement.

Sincerely,

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