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* *Roma in Europe: Racism is Alive and Well*, EDINBURGH JOURNAL, November 22, 2008.
* *Minorities, Poverty and the Millennium Development Goals: Assessing Global Issues*, 14 INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL ON MINORITY AND GROUP RIGHTS 333 (2007).
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