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and
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Note on transliteration

In general, I have employed a Greek transliteration of Byzantine proper names and technical terms. However, some common first names have been rendered in their modern English form: for example, John, not Ioannes, and Constantine, not Konstantinos. By the same principle, for well-known place names I have generally preferred the use of conventional modern English spelling: for example, Constantinople, Athens, and Coron. For proper names and technical vocabulary pertaining to the Ottomans, on the other hand, modern Turkish orthography has been used.

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Anagnostes–Tsaras	*Ἰωάννου Ἀναγνώστου Διήγησις περὶ τῆς τελευταίας ἁλώσεως τῆς Θεσσαλονίκης*, ed. J. Tsaras (Thessalonike, 1958)
Aşıkpaşazade–Atsız	*Tevârîh-i Âl-i Osmân*, in *Osmanlı Tarihleri*, ed. N. Atsız, vol. I (Istanbul, 1949)
Aşıkpaşazade–Giese	*Die altosmanische Chronik des ʿĀṣıḳpaşazāde*, ed. F. Giese (Leipzig, 1929)
ASLSP	*Atti della Società Ligure di Storia Patria*
B	*Byzantion*
Badoer	*Il libro dei conti di Giacomo Badoer (Costantinopoli 1436–1440)*, ed. V. Dorini and T. Bertelè (Rome, 1956)
Badoer: Indici	*Il libro dei conti di Giacomo Badoer (Costantinopoli 1436–1440). Complemento e indici*, a cura di G. Bertelè (Padua, 2002)
BF	*Byzantinische Forschungen*
BMFD	*Byzantine Monastic Foundation Documents*, ed. J. Thomas and A. C. Hero, 5 vols. (Washington, DC, 2000)
BMGS	*Byzantine and Modern Greek Studies*
BS	*Byzantinoslavica*
ByzSt	*Byzantine Studies/Études Byzantines*
BZ	*Byzantinische Zeitschrift*
Chalkok.–Darkó	*Laonici Chalcocandylae Historiarum Demonstrationes*, ed. E. Darkó, 2 vols. (Budapest, 1922–7)
Chilandar	*Actes de Chilandar*, vol. I: *Des origines à 1319*, ed. M. Živojinović, V. Kravari, and Ch. Giros (Paris, 1998)

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Dionysiou	*Actes de Dionysiou*, ed. N. Oikonomidès (Paris, 1968)
Docheiariou	*Actes de Docheiariou*, ed. N. Oikonomidès (Paris, 1984)
Dölger, *Reg.*, vol. V	F. Dölger, *Regesten der Kaiserurkunden des oströmischen Reiches*, vol. V: *1341–1453* (Munich and Berlin, 1965)
DOP	*Dumbarton Oaks Papers*
Doukas–Grecu	*Ducas, Istoria Turco-Bizantină (1341–1462)*, ed. V. Grecu (Bucharest, 1958)
ΕΕΒΣ	*Ἐπετηρὶς Ἑταιρείας Βυζαντινῶν Σπουδῶν*
EHB	*The Economic History of Byzantium: From the Seventh through the Fifteenth Century*, ed. A. E. Laiou, 3 vols. (Washington, DC, 2002)
EI	*The Encyclopaedia of Islam*
EI^2	*The Encyclopaedia of Islam*, 2nd edn.
Esphigménou	*Actes d'Esphigménou*, ed. J. Lefort (Paris, 1973)
Iorga, *Notes*	N. Iorga, *Notes et extraits pour servir à l'histoire des Croisades au XVe siècle*, 4 vols. (Paris, 1899–1915)
Isidore–Christophorides	*Ἰσιδώρου Γλαβᾶ Ἀρχιεπισκόπου Θεσσαλονίκης ὁμιλίες*, ed. B. Ch. Christophorides, 2 vols. (Thessalonike, 1992–6)
Isidore–Lampros	"Ἰσιδώρου μητροπολίτου Θεσσαλονίκης, Ὀκτὼ ἐπιστολαὶ ἀνέκδοτοι," ed. Sp. Lampros, *Νέος Ἑλληνομνήμων* 9 (1912), 343–414
Isidore–Laourdas	*Ἰσιδώρου Ἀρχιεπισκόπου Θεσσαλονίκης, Ὁμιλίαι εἰς τὰς ἑορτὰς τοῦ Ἁγίου Δημητρίου*, ed. B. Laourdas (Thessalonike, 1954)
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	V. Kravari, with the collaboration of H. Métrévéli (Paris, 1994–5)
JÖB	*Jahrbuch der Österreichischen Byzantinistik*
Kalekas–Loenertz	*Correspondance de Manuel Calécas*, ed. R.-J. Loenertz (Vatican City, 1950)
Kritob.–Reinsch	*Critobuli Imbriotae Historiae*, ed. D. R. Reinsch (Berlin and New York, 1983)
Kydones–Loenertz	*Démétrius Cydonès Correspondance*, ed. R.-J. Loenertz, 2 vols. (Vatican City, 1956–60)
Lavra	*Actes de Lavra*, vols. II–IV, ed. P. Lemerle, A. Guillou, N. Svoronos, and D. Papachryssanthou (Paris, 1977–82)
Manuel II, Fun. Or.	*Manuel II Palaeologus, Funeral Oration on his Brother Theodore. Introduction, Text, Translation and Notes*, ed. J. Chrysostomides (Thessalonike, 1985)
MM	F. Miklosich and J. Müller, *Acta et diplomata graeca medii aevi sacra et profana*, 6 vols. (Vienna, 1860–90)
MP	J. Chrysostomides (ed.), *Monumenta Peloponnesiaca. Documents for the History of the Peloponnese in the 14th and 15th Centuries* (Camberley, 1995)
NE	*Νέος Ἑλληνομνήμων*
OCP	*Orientalia christiana periodica*
ODB	*The Oxford Dictionary of Byzantium*, gen. ed. A. P. Kazhdan, 3 vols. (New York and Oxford, 1991)
PG	*Patrologia cursus completus. Series graeca*, ed. J.-P. Migne, 161 vols. (Paris, 1857–66)
PLP	*Prosopographisches Lexikon der Palaiologenzeit*, ed. E. Trapp *et al.* (Vienna, 1976–94)
PP	*Παλαιολόγεια καὶ Πελοποννησιακά*, ed. Sp. Lampros, 4 vols. (Athens, 1912–30; repr. 1972)
REB	*Revue des Études Byzantines*
RESEE	*Revue des Études Sud-Est Européennes*
RIS	*Rerum italicarum scriptores*, ed. L. A. Muratori, new edn.
ROL	*Revue de l'Orient Latin*

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Sphrantzes–Grecu	*Georgios Sphrantzes, Memorii, 1401–1477*, ed. V. Grecu (Bucharest, 1966)
StVen	*Studi veneziani*
SüdostF	*Südost-Forschungen*
Symeon–Balfour	*Politico-Historical Works of Symeon Archbishop of Thessalonica (1416/17 to 1429)*, ed. D. Balfour (Vienna, 1979)
Symeon–Phountoules	*Συμεὼν ἀρχιεπισκόπου Θεσσαλονίκης. Τὰ λειτουργικὰ συγγράμματα*, vol. I: *Εὐχαὶ καὶ ὕμνοι*, ed. I. M. Phountoules (Thessalonike, 1968)
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Thiriet, *Régestes*	F. Thiriet, *Régestes des délibérations du Sénat de Venise concernant la Romanie*, 3 vols. (Paris and The Hague, 1958–61)
TM	*Travaux et Mémoires*
Vatopédi	*Actes de Vatopédi*, vol. II, ed. J. Lefort, V. Kravari, Ch. Giros, and K. Smyrlis (Paris, 2006)
VV	*Vizantijskij vremennik*
WZKM	*Wiener Zeitschrift für die Kunde des Morgenlandes*
Xénophon	*Actes de Xénophon*, ed. D. Papachryssanthou (Paris, 1986)
Xéropotamou	*Actes de Xéropotamou*, ed. J. Bompaire (Paris, 1964)
Zographou	*Actes de Zographou*, ed. W. Regel, E. Kurtz, and B. Korablev, *VV* 13 (1907)
ZRVI	*Zbornik radova Vizantološkog Instituta*

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Map 2 Byzantium and its neighbors, *c.* 1350

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