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**Government**
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   - The Sino-Mongolian Inscription of 1335 in Memory of Chang Ying-Jui
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**Religious & Divination**
3. *Big Dipper Sūtra* (1328)
4. *A Treasury of Aphoristic Jewels: The Subhasitaratnamidhi of Sa Skya Pandita in Tibetan and Mongolian* (1235-80)
5. Divination (selections)
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   - *Mongolian Prophetic Book* (17th c. copy of a Middle Mongol text)

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6. 2014 Khanmohamadi, Shirin *In Light of Another’s Word: European Ethnography*
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