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**New 4th - 2006 edition of *The African Studies Companion: A Guide to Information Sources* (print & online; online access bundled with print)**

As an organization with an interest in Africa and African studies you will be interested to learn that we shall be publishing a new revised, fully updated, and substantially expanded 4th edition of the *African Studies Companion* in March next year.

Containing over 2,700 for the most part extensively annotated entries, *The African Studies Companion* is a compact and timesaving guide to print and electronic information sources, databases, and repositories, providing easy access to a very wide range of information about Africa and the African studies field. Published in both print and online formats, the fully searchable electronic edition will continue to be updated on a quarterly basis to provide maximum currency. More details about the new edition are set out in the brochure enclosed, which also includes extracts from reviews of the 3rd edition (2003).

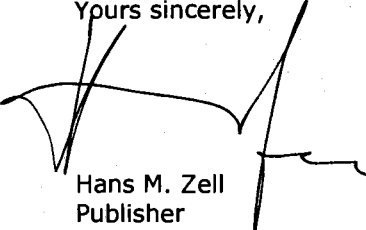
Among **new features** in the 4th edition are:

- **Over 900 entirely new entries in expanded sections,**  
covering both print and online resources, new African studies journals, and much more.
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