Excessive Punctation

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Usually, commas or quotes. Use only for clarity or elegance.

Example 2.28-1

Should the worst-case scenario, in fact, unfold, it would be impossible, unfortunately, in this instance, to guarantee, in a reasonable amount of time, the safe passage of the refugees, despite our best intentions.

Revision: 1

Should the worst-case scenario, in fact, unfold it would be impossible unfortunately, in this instance, to guarantee in a reasonable amount of time, the safe passage of the refugees, despite our best intentions.

Revision: 2

(OR) Should the worst-case scenario in fact unfold it would be impossible, in this instance unfortunately, to guarantee in a reasonable amount of time the safe passage of the refugees, despite our best intentions.

Example 2.28-2

The “controversy” surrounding this year’s Pride march is difficult to comprehend.

Revision: 1

The controversy surrounding this year’s Pride march is difficult to comprehend.

Revision: 2

Example 2.28-3

There is a real danger that the banking system will collapse if the “political interference” we are seeing continues.

Revision: 1

There is a real danger that the banking system will collapse if the political interference we are seeing continues.

Revision: 2