

Abbreviations and Miscellaneous Conventions

AD	Anno Domini, “in the year of the Lord”; the year according to the Gregorian calendar
AH	Anno <i>Hijrī</i> , “in the year of the Hijra”; the year according to the Islamic calendar
Ar	In Arabic
BL	British Library
BnF	Bibliothèque nationale de France, Paris
CE ¹⁹²⁴	The 1924 Cairo edition of the Qurʾān
IRCICA	Research Centre for Islamic History, Art and Culture

Date Convention

Dates in this thesis are given in both Islamic and Christian calendars. If a general date according to century is required, it will be given in the form of the Islamic century followed by the Christian century: first/seventh century. If a specific date is given, it will be given in a form such as 40/661, meaning AH 40 and AD 661. Occasionally, the context will require just one date to be given and, in those cases, it will be made clear whether the reference is to a Christian or an Islamic date.

Manuscript Reference

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