

Abbreviations used in the Introduction and Translation

<i>EI2</i>	<i>Encyclopaedia of Islam</i> , New [= Second] Edition
<i>Gh</i>	<i>Risālat al-Ghufrān / The Epistle of Forgiveness</i>
<i>IQ</i>	<i>Risālat Ibn al-Qāriḥ / The Epistle of Ibn al-Qāriḥ</i>
<i>JRAS</i>	<i>Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society</i>
L	(in prosody) long syllable
O	(in prosody) overlong syllable
Q	Qur'an
S	(in prosody) short syllable