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The texts edited in Part Two of this dissertation use the following signs:

- [] single square brackets: indicate holes in the inscriptions which have been reconstructed.
- () Round brackets: used for words added to the translation to make the meaning clear.
- ... dots: indicate words or phrases that cannot be read or reconstructed with certainty.

Dates

Dates in the dissertation are generally given in hijrī and Common Era years, whereby the first reference is to the hijrī date (AH), the second reference to the Common Era (CE) date. Eg. 40/660. If only one number is used it is the CE date.

Transliteration of personal names and terms

Classical Arabic authors, modern authors who publish in Arabic only, Arabic personal names,
Arabic words and phrases are transliterated according to the transliteration system of the
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Qur'anic quotes

The Qur'anic verses that appear in the editions of inscriptions in Part Two, are translated following the translation from http://tanzil.net/, but there are some minor adjustments.

Abbreviations

AAS Les Annales archéologiques de Syrie

AAE Arabian Archaeology and Epigraphy

AEN Arabian Epigraphic Notes

AJP American Journal of Philology

BEO Bulletin d'études orientales

BIE Bulletin de l'institut d'Égypte

BSOAS Bulletin of the School of oriental and African studies

EI² Encyclopaedia of Islam, 2nd edition. Edited by P. Bearman, Th. Bianquis, C. E.

Bosworth, E. von Donzol, and W. P. Heinrichs. Leiden, 1960–2002.

JESHO Journal of the Economic and Social History of the Orient

JNES Journal of Near Eastern Studies

JRAS Journal of the Royal Asiatic Society

JRS Journal of Roman Studies

JSAI Jerusalem Studies in Arabic and Islam

SHAJ Studies in The History and Archaeology of Jordan