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## INTRODUCTION TO THE SECOND VOLUME OF *UṢŪL AL-KĀFĪ*

Our infinite thanks are due to the Beneficent Allāh that after a painful delay that took place in the translation and publication of another part of *Uṣūl* from the book of *al-Kāfī*, now, by the Grace of the Almighty Allāh, this Organization has seriously decided to expedite the work of translation and publication of the second volume of the book.

Though we lost the services of most of the scholarly group who worked in the translation of the first volume, nevertheless, we have been able – by the Help of the Almighty Allāh – to acquire valuable resources with renewed scholarly control. This has given us the initiative for rapid progress of the work.

The question of morality is one of the most important issues of the day. Whenever forces of materialism indulge in excesses, the necessity to work in the field of morality becomes more obvious and urgent. Materialism leads to oppression, humiliation, degradation of human character and increases social insecurity. Fortunately, this second volume of *Uṣūl al-Kāfī* generally deals with morality and a part of it deals with supplication and the Holy Qur'ān.

According to undeniable *Ḥadīthu 'l-Thaqalayn* and most of the indisputable narrations from the Shī'ah and the Sunnī that the Holy Qur'ān and the Household of the Holy Prophet (*Ahlu 'l-Bayt*), peace be upon them, are the Two Inseparable Entities, each perfect in itself, reflecting the others. Thus, it is necessary that we should hold fast to these Two Inseparable Ones so that we remain safe from getting astray.

This collection of *al-Kâfî* is the teachings of the *Ahlu 'l-Bayt* ('a.s.), and they should be thought along with the Holy Qur'ân for the guidance of the *ummah*.

Finally, we implore upon Allâh to affect our work purely for His pleasure, and to help us to complete this work, which we have started. May Allâh guide us in this step which we have taken and in the future steps, for He is the best Master and the best Helper.

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