

THE WRITINGS OF THE SUDANESE MAHDI:
DR. M.I. ABŪ SALĪM'S EDITION: A PROGRESS
REPORT

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In 'The Writings of Muhammad Ibrahim Abu Salim', *SAJHS*, 1, 1990, 11-18, the undersigned gave a listing of Dr. Muḥammad Ibrāhīm Abū Salīm's scholarly production to 1990. The present note is an update on his work on a 7-volume edition of all the writings of the Sudanese Mahdī, Muḥammad b. °Abd Allāh al-Mahdī. This work is published under the title *Al-Athār al-kāmila li'l-Imām al-Mahdī*.

So far 4 volumes have been published:

Vol. 1: Khartoum: Khartoum University Press, 1990, 472 pp.

The letters and related documents until the end of 1300 (November 1882).

Vol. 2: Khartoum: Khartoum University Press, 1991, 500 pp.

The letters of the year 1301 (Muḥarram to Jumādā II / November 1883 to July 1884)

Vol. 3: Khartoum: Khartoum University Press, 1991, 359 pp.

The letters of the year 1301 (Rajab to Dhū'l-ḥijja / July to October 1884)

Vol. 4: Khartoum: Khartoum University Press, 1992, 512 pp.

The letters of the year 1302 (Muḥarram to Rajab / October 1884 to April 1885).

In Press:

Vol. 5: The rest of the Letters

Vol. 6: The *Rātīb* (Prayer-book) and Sermons.

Vol. 7: The 'Assemblies' (*majālīs*), of which five examples will be given, and indices to the 7 volumes.

These volumes will in the course of 1993 be made available outside the Sudan through Chr. Hurst publishers, London. In addition, Dr. Abu Salim has recently published a volume of

studies under the title, *Buhūth fī taʾrīkh al-Sūdān*, Beirut: Dār al-Jīl, 1412/1992, 191 pp. We list here the contents:
Waḏīfat al-arḍ wa-tabaddulihā fī'l-Sūdān (pp. 5-17),
Dawr al-ʿulamāʾ fī nashr al-Islām fī'l-Islām (18-36),
ʿAṣimat al-Sūdān taʾrikhiyyan (37-45),
Mafhūm al-khilāfa wa-wilayat al-ʿahd fī'l-Mahdiyya (46-67),
al-Wathīqa al-ʿArabiyya fī'l-Sūdān (68-76),
al-Būlīs fī'l-Mahdiyya (77-9),
Taʾrīkh madīnat Berber (80-8),
Thawratāni [The revolutions of the Sudanese Mahdi and Usuman dan Fodio compared] (89-104),
Ijāzāt al-ṭuruq al-ṣūfiyya fī'l-Sūdān [a collection and commentary] (105-59),
al-Sayyid ʿAlī al-Mīrghanī wa-qiyādat al-Khatmiyya (160-80),
al-Sayyid ʿAlī siyāsiyyan (181-5),
al-Qiyādat al-thāniyya [on sayyid ʿAlī al-Mīrghanī in the 1920s] (186-9).