

## Appendix B: Grand Transmission Invocation of Grand Shaykh

بِسْمِ اللَّهِ الرَّحْمَنِ الرَّحِيمِ

*In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful*

O Allah, bless Muḥammad, the Chosen Prophet, the number of those who pray on him among the righteous and the number of those who do not pray on him among the wicked, the number of the drops of rain, the number of waves of the oceans, the number of grains of sand on the wastelands, the number of leaves on the trees, the number of breaths of those who seek your forgiveness in the morning, the number of the rinds of fruit and the number of what was and what is until the Day of Gathering and Verdict.

Bless him (O Allah), as the turning of nights and days. And bless him as long as the colours alternate with the changing of time, and with the return of things renewed and with the constancy of diversity.

Convey from us to his soul and the souls of his family, greetings and salutations and on all the Prophets and Messengers. And all praise be to Allah.

O Allah, bless Muḥammad and the family of Muḥammad the number of atoms a thousand times over. O Allah, bless Muḥammad and the family of Muḥammad and His Companions and grant them peace. Glory and Holiness belong to our Lord, Lord of the angels and the Holy Spirit. O our Lord, forgive and have mercy and pardon of what Thou knowest, for Thou art surely the Most Mighty, the Most Honorable.

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O Allah, I ask forgiveness of Thee for everything for which I repented to Thee then returned to. And I ask forgiveness of Thee for everything I displeased Thee with and all that concerns me with which Thou are displeased. And I ask forgiveness of Thee for the favours which I used for increasing my disobedience towards Thee. And I ask forgiveness of Thee for the sins which no one knows except Thee, and no one sees except Thee, and nothing encompasses except Thy Mercy, and nothing delivers from except Thy forgiveness and clemency. There is no god except Thee alone. Thou art the Most High, and I was one of the [self] oppressors!

O Allah, I ask forgiveness of Thee for the injustice I committed against Thy servants, whatever of Thy male or female servants whom I have hurt, physically or in their dignity or in their property. Give them of Thy bounty, which lacks nothing. And I ask Thee to honour me with Thy Mercy which

encompasses all things. Do not humble me with Thy punishment but grant to me what I implore of Thee for I am in great need of Thy Mercy, O Most Merciful of the merciful. May Allah send blessings upon Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) and upon all his family and Companions. There is no power and no might except with Allah, the High, the Exalted.

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*In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful*

In the Name of Allah, the Source of Light, Light upon Light. All praise be to Allah who hath created the heavens and the earth. He created the darkness and the light and hath revealed the Torah on Mount Tur in a Composed Book. All praise be to Allah who created the heavens and the earth and created darkness and light.

ثُمَّ الَّذِينَ كَفَرُوا بِرَبِّهِمْ يَعْدِلُونَ

*Yet those who reject Faith hold (others) as equal with their Guardian Lord (vi: 1)*

*Kāf, Hā, Yā, Ayn, Šād. Hā, Mīm, Ayn, Sīn, Qāf.*

إِيَّاكَ نَعْبُدُ وَإِيَّاكَ نَسْتَعِينُ

*Thee alone do we worship and Thee alone do we ask for help (i: 4)  
O Ever-Living One, O Self-subsisting One.*

اللَّهُ لَطِيفٌ بِعِبَادِهِ يَرْزُقُ مَنْ يَشَاءُ وَهُوَ الْقَوِيُّ الْعَزِيزُ

*Gracious is Allah to His servants: He gives sustenance to whom He pleases:  
and He has power and can carry out His Will (xliii: 19)*

O Giver of all, provide me and turn away from me everything that harms me. Surely Thou art capable over all things. In Thy hands is all good and Thou hast power over all things.

O Allah, the One who grants plenty, O One of the Abiding Connection, O Doer of Good, O Provider of Thy servants in every state.

O Allah, if doubt has entered my belief in Thee, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, if doubt and disbelief entered my affirmation of Thy Oneness, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

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O Allah, if doubt enters my realization of Thee, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, if vanity, affected piety, arrogance and infamy affected me and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, if lies run upon my tongue, of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah if hypocrisy entered my heart from the minor and major sins, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, from what Thou hast granted me of all that is good and for which I had not thanked Thee, and I was unaware of it, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, whatever Thou hast destined for me in matters which I did not accept, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, from what Thou hast conferred upon me of bounty for which I neglected to thank Thee, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, whatever Thou hast bestowed on me of goodness and I did not praise Thee for it, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, whatever I have wasted from my allotted lifetime, which Thou were not pleased with, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, of what Thou hast imposed upon me in the observation of creation of Thy design and of which I was heedless, and I was unaware of it, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, from whatever fell short of my hope in my turning to Thee, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, from placing dependence on other than Thee in the face of calamities and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, in what I had sought assistance from other than Thee in calamities and misfortune, and of which I was unaware, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, if my tongue has slipped by asking other than Thee and I was unaware of it, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, whatever was rectified in my affairs through Thy Grace and I saw it coming from other than Thee, and I was unaware of it, I repent from it and say: There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.) is the Messenger of Allah.

O Allah, by the right of *Lā ilāha illallāh* and its might;

And by the right of the Throne and its grandeur;  
 And by the right of the Chair and its vastness;  
 And by the right of the Pen and its motion;  
 And by the right of the Tablet and its preservation;  
 And by the right of the Scale and its accuracy;  
 And by the right of the Bridge and its narrowness;  
 And by the right of Jibrīl and his trust;  
 And by the right of Riqdān and his paradise;  
 And by the right of Mālik and his angels of punishment;  
 And by the right of Mikāil and his compassion;  
 And by the right of Isrāfīl and his blowing (of the trumpet);  
 And by the right of Azrāil and his seizing (of the soul in death);  
 And by the right of Adam and his purity;  
 And by the right of Shuayb and his prophethood;  
 And by the right of Nuḥ and his vessel;  
 And by the right of Ibrāhīm and his friendship (to Allah)  
 And by the right of Ishāq and his belief;  
 And by the right of Ismāil and his ransom;  
 And by the right of Yūsuf and his estrangement;  
 And by the right of Mūsa and his signs;  
 And by the right of Hārūn and his sanctity;  
 And by the right of Hūd and his verification;  
 And by the right of Ṣālīḥ and his she-camel;  
 And by the right of Lūt and his guests;  
 And by the right of Yūnus and his invocation;  
 And by the right of Danyāl and his miracles;  
 And by the right of Zakariyah and his purity;  
 And by the right of Īsā and his wandering;  
 And by the right of our Master Muḥammad and his Intercession;  
 that Thou forgiveth us, our parents and our scholars. And to take me by the  
 hand, grant me my asking, deliver me to my goals and fend off all those who  
 harm me, by Thy Mercy, O the Most Merciful of those who give mercy. And to  
 protect me from every vice. There is no god except Thee, Glory be to Thee!  
 Surely I have been a wrong-doer.

O Living, O Eternal One, there is no god except Thee. O Allah, I seek  
 forgiveness from Thee and I turn to Thee:

فَاسْتَجَبْنَا لَهُ وَنَجَّيْنَاهُ مِنَ الْغَمِّ وَكَذَلِكَ نُنَجِّي الْمُؤْمِنِينَ

*So we listened to him and delivered him from distress, and thus do We deliver  
 those who have faith (xxi: 88).*

حَسْبُنَا اللَّهُ وَنِعْمَ الْوَكِيلُ

*For us Allah sufficeth and He is the best Disposer of Affairs (iii: 173).*

حَسْبِيَ اللَّهُ لَا إِلَهَ إِلَّا هُوَ عَلَيْهِ تَوَكَّلْتُ وَهُوَ رَبُّ الْعَرْشِ  
الْعَظِيمِ

*Allah sufficeth me. There is no god but He. On Him is my trust. He is the Lord of the Throne Supreme (ix: 129).*

وَلَا حَوْلَ وَلَا قُوَّةَ إِلَّا بِاللَّهِ الْعَلِيِّ الْعَظِيمِ

*And there is no strength nor power except by Allah, the High, the Mighty.*  
May Allah bless our Master Muḥammad, and all of his family and Companions. Glory to Allah, the Lord of the Throne. (High is He) above what they attribute to Him. And peace on the Messengers and all praise be to the Lord of the worlds.

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O Allah, surely I beseech Thee by the witnessing of the secrets of the lovers and the reclusion which Thou hath specified with the Master of Messengers when Thou raised Him on the Night of the 27th. And to pity my depressed heart and to answer my plea, O Most Generous of those who show generosity, O Most Merciful of those who show mercy. May Allah bless our Master Muḥammad, his family and all his Companions, and greet them with peace.

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*In the Name of Allah, the Most Beneficent, the Most Merciful*

There is no god except Allah, Muḥammad is the Messenger of Allah. O Merciful, O Beneficent One, O Mustaʿān, O Allah, O Muḥammad (s.a.w.s.), O Abu Bakr, O ʿUmar, O ʿUthmān, O ʿAli, O Ḥasan, O Ḥusayn, O Yaḥya, O Forbearing One, O Allah. There is no power and no strength save in Allah, the High, the Mighty. I seek forgiveness from Allah, the Possessor of Majesty and Honour, from every sin and transgression, Amin.

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