





FREEMASONRY AND ISLAM





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FREEMASONRY IN THE ARAB WORLD

- ❖ Already in 1777 Freemasonry existed in Morocco, moreover Morocco was the first country to recognize the independence of the United States, on December 20, 1777 George Washington who was a Freemason received the letter of Fraternity and Recognition of Moulay Mohamed 3rd Sultan of Morocco.
- ❖ The 2nd Arab country where Freemasonry appeared was Lebanon in 1861. It was not until the middle of the 19th century that Muslims were welcomed, in increasing numbers, into the Masonic lodges of the Ottoman Empire. (e. g. in Constantinople, Beirut, Alexandria and Cairo)



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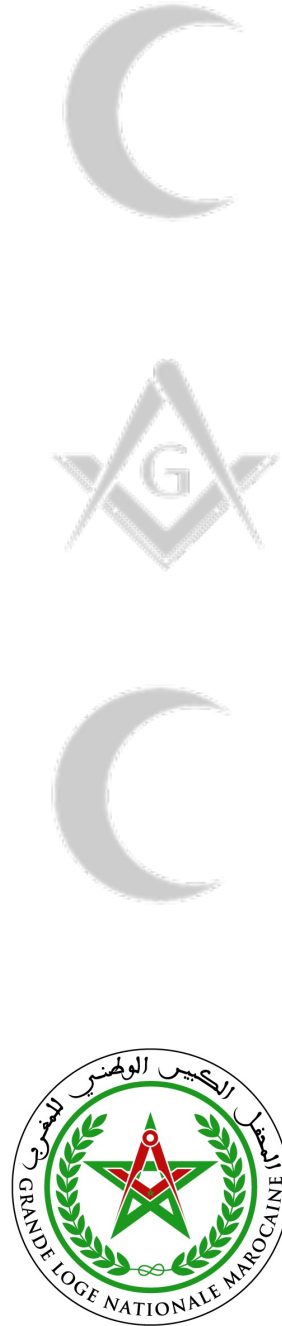
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Jamaledine Al Afghani The founding father of Islamic modernism, was initiated on February 6, 1876 at the Lodge “Constellation of the Orient” in Egypt, and he became VM of his Lodge on June 7, 1878



Sayyid Qutb is an Egyptian poet and essayist, leading member of the Muslim Brotherhood, published a page in the Egyptian Masonic newspaper “Al Taj Al Masri” Masonic magazine on April 23, 1945 entitled “Why am I a Freemason”



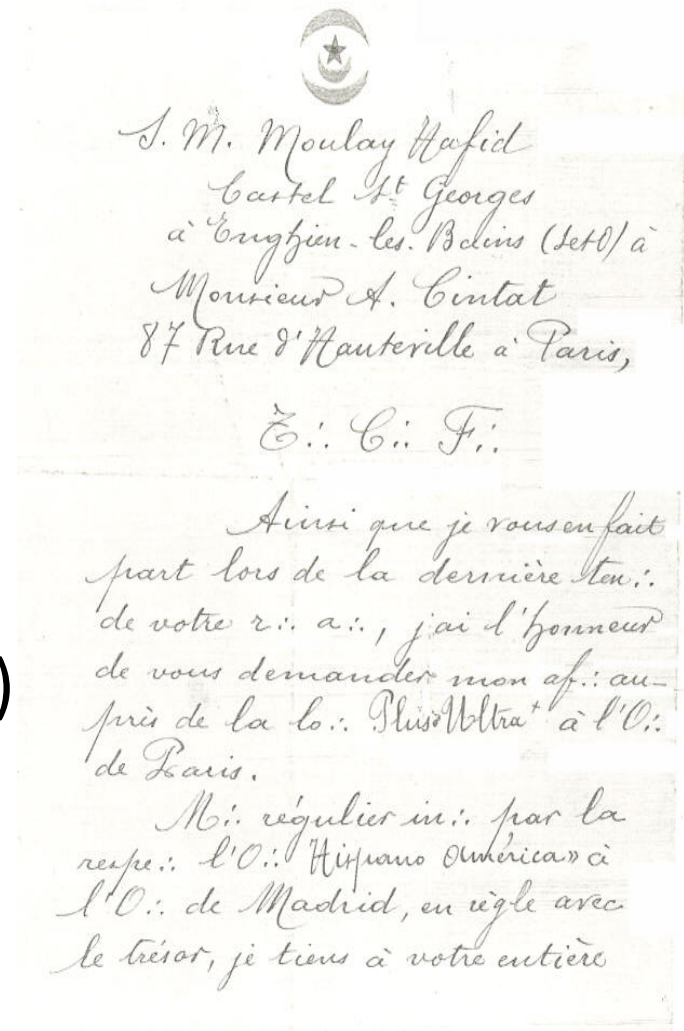
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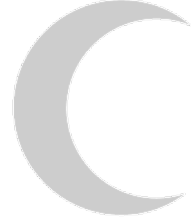
❖ Politicians and heads of state

Arabs who were initiated

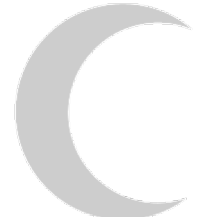
Among others:

- King Abdullah the 1st, King of Jordan
- King Hussain, King of Jordan
- Sultan Abdelhafid, king of Morocco (in 1908)
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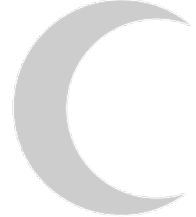
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- ❖ Freemasonry in Morocco has remained since the 18th century restricted to notables and close people to the sultans, while the other subjects of the sultan preferred Sufism, and were organized in Zaouia (religious temple which means "Corner Stone")
- ❖ Since 1882, lodges began to emerge in Morocco and initiate Muslims, the first lodge being the Lodge "Al Moghreb Al Aksa" (1882 at the East of Tangier)
- ❖ During the colonial period, only the Lodges working under the auspices of GLDF were frequented by the Muslim Brethren, those of the GODF which displayed anticlericalism were increasingly deserted by the Muslim Brethren

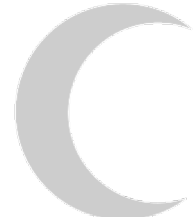
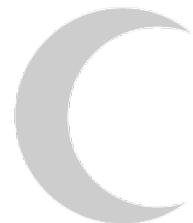
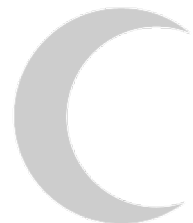
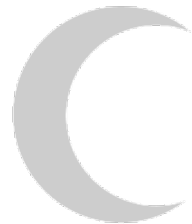
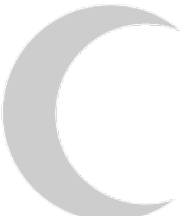


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- ❖ Since 1964 the sovereign Moroccan Obediences began to appear, the 1st was The Grand Lodge Atlas, which no longer exists, and therefore the question began to arise regarding compatibility with Islam.
- ❖ In 1971, the Casablanca public prosecutor's office filed a request with the King's Prosecutor in order to obtain the dissolution of the Lodges for incompatibility with the precepts of Islam, the verdict delivered on March 23, 1973, was final, that the Franc-masonry is in no way in contradiction with Islam and that all its principles are in harmony with the constitution of the country “Judgment n°1776 of March 23, 1973. file n°47, court of first instance of Casablanca”.



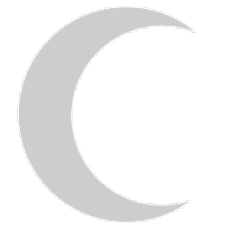
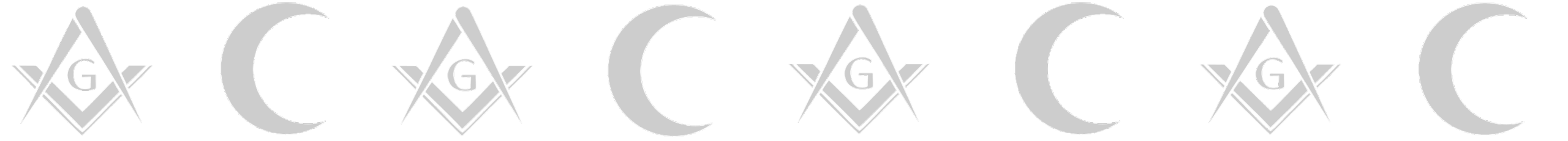
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The main body of speculative Freemasonry:

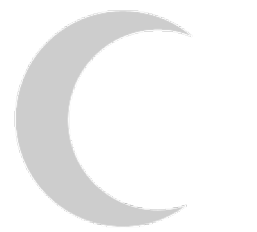
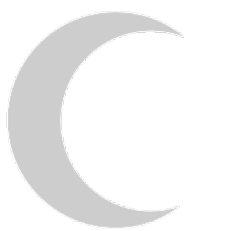
- ✧ That of the construction of Solomon's Temple;
- ✧ That of the legend of Hiram and the columns;
- ✧ And that of Knighthood.

Are totally compatible with the precepts of Islam





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- ❖ The volume of the sacred law in the land of Islam is the Holy Koran, for recipients of Jewish or Christian faith the Torah or the Bible, is made available to them in the Lodges of the G:.L:.N:.M:. to take their oaths on the volume of their choice
- ❖ It is useful to remember that the Holy Quran is totally compatible with the TANAKH, and a large part of the life of Jesus of Nazareth, moreover more than 80% of the Holy Quran takes up the Pentateuch, the Nevi'im, the Ketoubim, the birth of St John the Baptist and the birth of Jesus of Nazareth as well as of St Mary, and also relates the story of Jesus with these 12 apostles, and the event of the Last Supper.



**THANK YOU MY DEAR
BROTHERS**

