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A NOTE ON THE TRANSCRIPTION

Attempting a single form of transcription for Arabic and Turkish terms is awkward and confusing, and so two kinds of orthography have been used here. Arabic has been transcribed according to the system used in the *Encyclopedia of Islam*, while Ottoman and Turkish follow modern Turkish spelling which uses the Latin alphabet. In modern Turkish “ç” is the equivalent of “ch,” “ṣ” of “sh,” and “c” of “j” in English. In addition, modern Turkish uses an undotted “ı” which is similar to the sound of the second syllable in *origin*; a soft “g” (ġ) which serves to lengthen the preceding vowel; and the umlauted vowels “ö” and “ü” which are pronounced as in German.

A WORD ON THE NOTES

In the footnotes for the archival documents cited, in addition to the classification, the document number, and the Arabic and Christian dates, the hulâsa or summary of the document is reproduced in modern Turkish transcription from the Ottoman. These summaries which are given in the catalogues have a vocabulary and a style which are peculiarly their own for every subject covered. Not only do the documents