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Lawyers, according to Edmund Burke, are bad historians. He was referring to an unwillingness, rather than an inaptitude, on the part of early

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*nineteenth-century
English lawyers to
concern themselves with
the past: for
contemporary
jurisprudence was a
pure and isolated
science wherein law
appeared as a body of
rules, based upon
objective criteria, whose
nature and very
existence were
independent of*

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considerations of time and place. Despite the influence of the historical school of Western jurisprudence, Burke's observation is generally valid for Middle East studies. Muslim jurisprudence in its traditional form provides an extreme example of a legal science divorced from historical

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considerations. Law, in classical Islamic theory, is the revealed will of God, a divinely ordained system preceding, and not preceded by, the Muslim state controlling, but not controlled by, Muslim society. There can thus be no relativistic notion of the law itself evolving as an historical phenomenon closely tied

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with the progress of society. The increasing number of nations that are largely Muslim or have a Muslim head of state, emphasizes the growing political importance of the Islamic world, and, as a result, the desirability of extending and expanding the understanding and appreciation of their

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culture and belief
systems. Since history
counts for much among

Muslims and what
happened in 632 or 656
is still a live issue, a
journalistic familiarity
with present conditions
is not enough; there
must also be some
awareness of how the
past has molded the
present. This book is
designed to give the

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reader a clear picture. But where there are gaps, obscurities, and differences of opinion, these are also indicated. This handbook addresses the historical background of the Islamic world and reviews its basic past intellectual achievements. It studies social progress of these regions and sub-regions

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*in comparison with
other parts of the world.
It uses large data sets
and well established
statistically weighted
Indexes in order to
assess the nature and
pace of the multiple
facets of social change
in member states of the
Organization of Islamic
Cooperation (OIC). The
handbook extensively
discusses the main*

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*challenges confronting
the Islamic nations in
the social, economic,
political, and
ideological fields.*

*Though it is
recognizable that social
change in the Islamic
World is generally
positive, it remains
highly variable in pace
and there is room to
speed it up to the benefit
of millions of deprived*

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Muslim people. Hence, the book studies the different propositions and programs of action, such as the United Nations' Millennium Development Campaign and the OIC's Ten-Year Programme of Action to present an integrated and comprehensive agenda of action to help improve the situation in the Islamic World.

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Where will Muslim societies be tomorrow?

The world is increasingly and constantly changing, making it hard to keep up. This makes the state much more dire and troublesome for those already marginalised – particularly Muslim societies. Normal is no longer capable of upholding the promise

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of tomorrow's certainty. These are postnormal times. In this storm of ignorance and uncertainty, Muslim societies stand to lose the most. But this is not destiny. In the cultivation of a new type of literacy – futures literacy – there resides a hope. Muslim Societies in Postnormal Times offers an

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*alternative where we
can 'rescue' and
decolonise our futures.
Sardar, Serra, and
Jordan take an open
and plural approach to
the future revealing the
true potentials that lie
before us. Through
detailed analysis of
contemporary trends,
the road to destruction
is revealed. Through
identifying and*

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*exploring emerging
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*issues, agency through
options can allow for
positive change. And in
the extrapolation of
these ideas into
scenarios, the authors
pave the way for us to
navigate our own
preferred futures. Their
study challenges the
reader to think about
the future in a new way,
redefining the*

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*monolithic future as
three tomorrows
(Extended Present,
Familiar Futures, and
Unthought Futures),
along the way ever
watchful for Black
Swans, Black Elephants,
and the illustrious Black
Jellyfish that could
disrupt the path ahead.
The authors pull no
punches in critically
evaluating the*

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possibilities and nightmares that could potentially befall Muslim societies. Through a display of creativity and imagination, this book looks beyond the conventional to illuminate impacts in the context of the complex, interconnected world we find ourselves in. This informative and

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enlightening text will push readers to see beyond popular, yet native notions of present and future. In the exposition of the reader's ignorance and uncertainty, they will begin to look for the unthought and take agency in recolonising and navigating their preferred tomorrow.

A classic, pioneering

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*account of the lives of
women in Islamic
history, republished for
a new generation This
pioneering study of the
social and political lives
of Muslim women has
shaped a whole
generation of
scholarship. In it, Leila
Ahmed explores the
historical roots of
contemporary debates,
ambitiously surveying*

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Islamic discourse on women from Arabia during the period in which Islam was founded to Iraq during the classical age to Egypt during the modern era. The book is now reissued as a Veritas paperback, with a new foreword by Kecia Ali situating the text in its scholarly context and explaining

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its enduring influence.

“Ahmed’s book is a
serious and independent-
minded analysis of its
subject, the best-
informed, most
sympathetic and reliable
one that exists
today.”—Edward W.

Said “Destined to
become a classic. . . . It
gives [Muslim women]
back our rightful place,
at the center of our

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histories.”—Rana

Kabbani, The Guardian

The Oxford History of

Islam

Charity in Islamic

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The Idea of the Muslim

World

Brunei – History, Islam,

Society and

Contemporary Issues

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Muslim beliefs have inspired charitable giving for over fourteen centuries, yet Islamic history has rarely been examined from this perspective. In *Charity in Islamic Societies*, Amy Singer explains the basic concepts and institutions of Muslim charity, including the

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obligation to give on
an annual basis.

Charitable

endowments shaped
Muslim societies and
cultures in every era.

This book

demonstrates how
historical

circumstances, social
status, gender, age and
other factors

interacted with

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religious ideals to create a rich variety of charitable practices, from the beginnings of Islam to the present day. Using written texts, buildings, images and objects to anchor the discussions in each chapter, the author explores the motivations for charity, its impact on

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the rich and the poor,
and the politicisation
of charity. This
lucidly written book
will capture the
attention of anyone
who is interested in
the nature of Islamic
society and the role of
philanthropy
throughout history.

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1989. Routledge is an

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imprint of Taylor &
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There has been a
significant upsurge of
western interest in the
political
manifestations and
significance of Islam
in the last decade,
fuelled by the notion
of Islamic "revival",
the Iranian revolution

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and by events in countries as diverse as Egypt, Pakistan and Sudan. Oil power and its effect on the international economic order, the relationship of Muslim countries with the superpowers and the continuation of the Arab-Israeli conflict have also served to

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focus attention on
Islamic politics and, in
particular, on the
notion of Islamic
reassertion. As the
author of this book
argues, one result of
this interest has been
the development of a
view of Islam as
monolithic and
implacable. He takes a
broad view of the

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intellectual and cultural history of Islam, emphasising the extraordinary diversity of Islamic societies and the ways in which the ideal is often pragmatically adapted to reality. In this wider social and historical context, the nature of Islamic revival is then

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reassessed. First
published in 1988.

What is jihad? Does it
mean violence, as
many non-Muslims
assume? Or does it
mean peace, as some
Muslims insist?

Because jihad is
closely associated
with the early spread
of Islam, today's
debate about the

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origin and meaning of
jihad is nothing less
than a struggle over
Islam itself. In Jihad
in Islamic History,
Michael Bonner
provides the first
study in English that
focuses on the early
history of jihad,
shedding much-
needed light on the
most recent

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controversies over
jihad. To some, jihad
is the essence of
radical Islamist
ideology, a synonym
for terrorism, and even
proof of Islam's innate
violence. To others,
jihad means a
peaceful, individual,
and internal spiritual
striving. Bonner,
however, shows that

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those who argue that jihad means only violence or only peace are both wrong. Jihad is a complex set of doctrines and practices that have changed over time and continue to evolve today. The Quran's messages about fighting and jihad are inseparable from its

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requirements of generosity and care for the poor. Jihad has often been a constructive and creative force, the key to building new Islamic societies and states. Jihad has regulated relations between Muslims and non-Muslims, in peace as well as in war. And

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while today's
"jihadists" are in some
ways following the
"classical" jihad
tradition, they have in
other ways completely
broken with it.

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its controversies, Jihad
in Islamic History will
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introduction to
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Islam offers a panoramic vision of Islamic culture from its origins to around 1800.

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some of Islam's
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with the
natural world,
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politics,
caliphs and
kings,
philosophy,
science,
medicine,
language, art,

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architecture,
literature,
music and even
cookery. What
emerges from
this rich
collection,
written by an
international
team of
experts, is the
diversity and
dynamism of the

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societies which
created this
flourishing
civilization.

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The New
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History of
Islam serves as
a thematic
companion to
the three
preceding,

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oriented
volumes, and in
coverage
extends across
the pre-modern
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history of
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the control of
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In this probing
study of death
rites, Leor
Halevi plays
prescriptive
texts against
material
culture,
advancing a new
way of

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interpreting
the origins of
Islam. He shows
how religious
scholars
produced codes
of funerary law
to create new
social patterns
in the cities
of Arabia,
Mesopotamia,
and the eastern

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Mediterranean.
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They distinguished Islamic from Christian, Jewish and Zoroastrian rites; and they changed the way men and women interacted publicly and privately. Each

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chapter explores a different layer of human interaction, following the movement of the corpse from the deathbed to the grave.

Highlighting economic and political

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factors, as well as key religious and sexual divisions, Halevi forges a fascinating link between the development of funerary rites and the efforts of an emerging

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religion to
carve its own
distinct
identity.

Muhammad's
Grave is a
groundbreaking
history of the
rise of Islam
and the roots
of contemporary
Muslim
attitudes

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toward the body
and society.

As Cemil Aydin
explains in
this
provocative
history, it is
a misconception
to think that
the world's 1.5
billion Muslims
constitute a
single religio-

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political
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entity. How did
this mistaken
belief arise,
why is it so
widespread, and
how can its
grip be
loosened so
that a more
fruitful
discussion
about politics

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*This volume examines
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case studies from
different periods and
areas of the Muslim*

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*world from medieval
Iran and Egypt to
contemporary Yemen
and Morocco, and
involving multiple
disciplinary
approaches.*

*This is a study of the
structure and
composition of the
official learning
current in medieval
Arabic culture. This*

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*comprises natural
sciences both exoteric
and esoteric*

*(medicine, alchemy,
astrology and others),
traditional and
religious sciences
(such as theology,
exegesis and
grammar),
philosophical sciences
such as metaphysics
and ethics, in addition*

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*to technical
disciplines like
political theory and
medicine, and other
fields of intellectual
endeavour. The book
identifies and
develops a number of
conceptual elements
common to the
various areas of
official Arabic
scientific discourse,*

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and shows how these elements integrate these disparate sciences into an historical epistemic unity. The specific profile of each of these different sciences is described, in terms of its conceptual content, but especially with reference to its

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*historical
circumstances. These
are seen to be
embodied in a number
of institutional
supports, both
intellectual and
social: paradigms,
schools of thought,
institutions of
learning, pedagogic
techniques, and a
body of professionals,*

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*all of which combine
to form definite,
albeit ever renewed,
traditions of learning.
Finally, an attempt is
made to relate Arabic
scientific knowledge
in the Middle Ages to
patterns of scientific
and political
authority. First
published in 1986.*

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*the first
groundbreaking study
of the emotional
space occupied by
children in modern
Islamic societies.*

*Focusing primarily on
visual representations
of children from
modern Turkey, Iran,
and Pakistan, the
book examines these
materials to*

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*investigate concepts
such as innocence,
cuteness, gender,
virtue, and devotion,
as well as community,
nationhood, violence,
and sacrifice. In
addition to exploring
a subject that has
never been studied
comparatively before,
Alef Is for Allah
extends the*

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boundaries of scholarship on emotion, religion, and visual culture and provides unique insight into Islam as it is lived and experienced in the modern world.

"Based on examples ranging from Iran to Morocco, the author portrays a society he

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*defines as peripheral
- bound by a slavish
adherence to its own
glorified history, its
"Tradition" - yet
facing an external
reality that derives
from the West. The
meeting of these two
incompatible worlds
leads to a profound
distortion not only in
how the Muslim world*

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*sees the West but,
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more importantly, in
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how it sees itself."*

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of Muslim societies
provides updated
coverage of each**

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Islam and
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growing influence.
Simultaneous.**

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***This new edition of
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years. Ira Lapidus' history explores the beginnings and transformations of Islamic civilizations in the Middle East and details Islam's worldwide diffusion. The history is divided into four parts. Part I is a comprehensive account of pre-

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**Islamic late
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beginnings of
Islam; the early
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cultures. Part II
deals with the
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Middle East of
Islamic religious**

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states to the
fifteenth century.
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the history to the
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Africa and Spain;
the Ottoman,
Safavid and
Mughal empires;
and other Islamic
societies in Asia
and Africa. Part IV**

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domination on
Islamic societies
and traces the
development of
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national state
system and the
simultaneous
Islamic revival
from the early**

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consideration of
the place of
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in Islamic societies
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modern period to
the present.**

**First published in
1988, Ira Lapidus'
A History of Islamic
Societies has**

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**become a classic in
the field,
enlightening
students, scholars,
and others with a
thirst for
knowledge about
one of the world's
great civilizations.
This book, based
on fully revised
and updated parts
one and two of this
monumental**

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work, describes the transformations of Islamic societies from their beginning in the seventh century, through their diffusion across the globe, into the challenges of the nineteenth century. The story focuses on the organization of

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**families and tribes,
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religious groups
and states,
showing how they
were transformed
by their
interactions with
other religious and
political
communities. The
book concludes
with the European
commercial and
imperial**

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initiated a new set
of transformations
in the Islamic
world, and the
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Trends, Emerging
Issues and
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of Rudolph Peters***

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**Muhammad's
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This book places
context at the
core of the
Islamic
mechanism of
iftā' to better**

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***understand the
process of
issuing fatwās
in Muslim and
non-Muslim
countries, thus
highlighting the
connection
between context
and contempora
neity, on one
hand, and the***

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***adaptable
perception of
Islamic law, on
the other. The
practice of iftā'
is one of the
most important
mechanisms of
Islamic law that
keeps Islamic
thought about
ethical and legal***

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***issues in
harmony with
the demands,
exigencies and
developments of
time. This book
builds upon the
existing body of
work related to
the practice of
iftā', but takes
the discussion***

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***beyond the
current debates
with the intent
of unveiling the
interaction
between Islamic
legal
methodologies
and different
environmental
contexts. The
book specifically***

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**addresses the
three
institutions**

**(Saudi Arabia's
Dār al-Iftā',
Turkey's
Diyanet and
America's
FCNA) and their
Islamic legal
opinions
(fatwās) in a**

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**comparative
framework. This
demonstrates
the existence of
complex and
diverse ideas
around similar
issues within
contemporary
Islamic legal
opinions that is
further**

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***complicated by
the influence of
international,
social, political,
cultural and
ideological
contexts. The
book thus
unveils a more
complicated
range of
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***constituents in
the process of
the practice of
iftā' and its
outputs, fatwās.
The work will be
of interest to
academics and
researchers
working in the
areas of Islamic
law, Middle***

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religion and
politics.***

***Brunei,
although a
relatively small
state, is disprop
ortunately
important on
account of its
rich resource
base. In***

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addition, in recent years the country has endeavoured to play a greater role in regional affairs, especially through ASEAN, holding the chair of the organisation in

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***2013, and also
beyond the
region, fostering
diplomatic,
political,
economic and
educational ties
with many
nations. This
book presents
much new
research and***

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***new thinking on
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Brunei largely
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academics.***

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covered include
Brunei's rich
history - the***

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other West African
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in the Liberian war a
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*of the body parts of
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