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In the Name of Allah the beneficence the Merciful

ISLAMIC MARRIAGE CONTRACT

Allah (s.t.) Says,

“And among His Signs is this, that He created for you mates from among yourselves, that ye may dwell in tranquility with them, and He has put love and mercy between your (hearts): verily in that are Signs for those who reflect”.

[Holy Quran: al-Roum, 21]

Prophet Muhammad (saw) said,

“He who marries attains half of his religion, and he should fear Allah in the second half [of his religion].”

By the book of Allah (S.T.) the Almighty and the tradition of His prophet Muhammad (peace be upon him and his holy household), the marriage contract was established on the _____ day of _____ in the year _____ CE corresponding to the _____ day of _____ in the year _____ AH in the city of _____, the state of _____ and the county of _____, between the “Groom” and “Bride” outlined below, and under the conditions that have been agreed upon within this document, in accordance with Islamic Law based school thought of Ahl-ul-Bayt (peace be upon them).

Husband	Wife
Name:	Name:
Surname:	Surname:
Date of Birth:	Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:	Place of Birth:

Dowry

Advanced Portion:

Deferred Portion:

Due: ☐ at the nearest of the two terms (divorce or death)
☐ Upon the ability to do so
☐ Upon request



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Agreed-upon Conditions

As a result of the numerous experiences and studies in this field from the experts who are engaged in such services, the attendees of the tenth annual conference of the Council of Shi'a Muslim Scholars in North America who participated in the final resolution, endorsed these terms and conditions, in hopes that following these terms will be an important factor in achieving marital happiness and steering it away from harm with the will of the Almighty. These terms and conditions are not limited to those mentioned hereto, they are merely suggestions given by the experts and they are by no means binding unless agreed upon by both parties. The only terms that are considered binding within these terms and conditions are those agreed upon by the two parties and are within this document or have been added hereto.

We request that both parties seeking marriage within this contract attain the booklet entitled "Marriage and Divorce, Rights and Obligations" provided by The Council of Shi'a Muslim Scholars of North America. This booklet provides information which is important for both to learn about the rights, obligations, and manners of marriage. It is also requested that both parties review the civil law of the state so that they may understand their rights and obligations from a legal standpoint. Based upon this:

- ❖ The husband grants the wife, within this marriage contract, transferrable irrevocable agency in divorcing herself, after attaining permission from the Shi'a Ithna 'Asheri jurist, or his official representative to take permission from him (the Jurist, in the matter of divorce.)
- ❖ In the case that the wife has attained a civil divorce in countries that do not accept religious divorces, the wife then has the right to use her agency, in accordance with the Islamic law, to divorce herself.
- ❖ The agency given in this agreement is limited to the conditions mentioned below:

	List of Conditions	Bride's signature	Groom's signature
1	If the husband refuses to provide the basic necessities of life for the wife for a period of ____ months, regardless of the reasons, and it was the case that he cannot commit to it or be obligated to it.	_____	_____
2	If the husband refuses his wife her conjugal rights for a period of ____ months without a religiously acceptable excuse.	_____	_____
3	Due to the direct or indirect abuse by the husband, to a point the wife cannot continue in the marriage.	_____	_____
4	If the husband is afflicted with an illness which may cause risk to the wife.	_____	_____
5	If the husband loses his mental capacity (becomes insane) in cases where there is no automatic right of annulment.	_____	_____
6	If the husband becomes sterile or it becomes obvious during the marriage that he is, which would render it impossible to produce children. This rule will apply only if there are no children already born to the couple.	_____	_____
7	If the husband is imprisoned for a period that is considered unbearable for the wife.	_____	_____



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8	The husband's addiction to anything harmful which renders the marriage hard to continue and unbearable for the wife.	_____	_____
9	If the husband's whereabouts remain unknown for a period of one year and upon verification and notification.	_____	_____
10	If the husband takes another wife without the consent of the present wife.	_____	_____
11	To divide what they both owned after the marriage as stated by the law of the State, except for the bridal gift.	_____	_____
12	If the husband prevents/hinders the wife from practicing her religious duties.	_____	_____

	Additional Conditions	Bride's signature	Groom's signature
13	_____ _____	_____	_____
14	_____ _____	_____	_____
15	_____ _____	_____	_____

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Signatures

	Full Name	Signature	Date
Husband	_____	_____	_____
Wife	_____	_____	_____
Wife's Guardian	_____	_____	_____
Witness	_____	_____	_____
Witness	_____	_____	_____

Islamic Law Aspect

Name:	Surname:
Title:	
Address:	
Telephone Number:	Email Address:
Signature:	Official Stamp:
Date:	
Location:	

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