

History 212 – Final Examination

Beirut, January 22, 2008

Duration of Exam: 2 hours

Part One (70 %)

Answer one of the following questions:

- A- Discuss the coup d'état that led to the downfall of al-Walid II and the rise of Yazid III to power. Its causes, its consequences and its program.

- B- Discuss the role of the caliph Hisham in consolidating the Umayyad state.

Part Two (30%)

Read the attached page and answer the following questions:

- What is the aim of al-Walid?
- What trend of logic al-Walid used?
- Does this letter reveal al-Walid's personality?