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VERBATIM TRANSLATION

Meaning for commonly used Arabic terms:

Ayat	-	verses
Sariyah	-	military group
Akhirat	-	afterlife
Kafirun, kufar, kafir	-	the nonbelievers
Murtad	-	a person who rejects religion
Ijma	-	unanimous opinion of experts, consensus
Tawheed/tawhid	-	Monotheism
Fitna	-	ordeal, trial, temptation
Ummah	-	nation
Al Wala' Wal- Bara'	-	to love and hate for the sake of Allah
Du'a	-	the supplication prayer
Shuhada'	-	martyrs
Shaheed	-	martyr
Sharia	-	Muslim law
Jihad	-	holy war
Kufr	-	irreligion
Fard ayn	-	obligatory individual duty
Iman	-	faith
Rasulullah	-	the prophet of God
Nur	-	light
Aqidah	-	ideology
Zakat	-	alms-giving

Hajj -	pilgrimage to Mecca
Hukm -	the rule, ruling
Shahada -	martyrdom, also means the expression “there’s no God but Allah and Muhammad is His Messenger.”
Al-Taifa al-Mansura -	The Victorious Sect; Muslims believe that at the end of time Muslims will be divided into 72 sects only one of which will be saved and victorious.
Yaqin -	conviction
Al fiqh/ fikh -	jurisprudence/ understanding
Salamu Alaykum	Peace be upon you
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Wa rahmatullahi wa barakhatu	Allah’s peace and mercy and blessings be upon you
Assalamu Aleikum wa rahmatullah	- Allah’s peace and mercy and blessings be upon you
Jahiliyah	ignorance
Ilm	Knowledge
Inshallah	Allah willing
Jummah	Friday
Jannah	Heaven
Fridaws/firdeus/jannatul	
Firdaus	Highest level of heaven
Hijab	Veil
Alhamdulillah	Praise be to Allah
Subhan Allah	Glory be to Allah/By Allah
Astahfirullah	Find refuge in Allah/repent in front of Allah
Ghuraba	Strangers
Hadith	Prophetic tradition
Salat	Prayer
Nasheed	Chants
Madrasah Noor	School is enlightening
Fi Kitabil Allah	In God’s book/Qura’an
Akhi/Ahi	Brother
Daulah Islam	Islamic State
Shaithan	Satan
Ulama’	scholars
Fatwa	Legal opinion
Allahu Akbar	God is great
Bi Jihadina	with our holy war
Halummu	Come on
As-sabr Nuur	Patience is enlightening
Rasool Allah	God’s Prophet
Sahabaa	The companions
Sayf Al-Battr	The Slicing Sword
Usool Al-Hadith	Origins of the Prophetic tradition
Al Shabab	The youth
Ayyuhal Musilm	O Muslim
Amantu Billah	I believe In God
Qasidah	Poem
Khitab	Speech
Farshy Al Turab	The earth is my resting place
Dajjal	Anti Christ