

## A Note on Transliteration

This book uses a simplified version of the 2012 Library of Congress style of transliteration for Arabic ([www.loc.gov/catdir/cpsd/roman.html](http://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpsd/roman.html)). Diacritical marks, such as macrons and underdots, have been omitted except for ‘ayn (‘) and hamza (’) when they appear in the middle of a word, e.g., Sana‘a, Aden (rather than ‘Aden), Tha’er. Arabic plurals, both irregular and sound, are rendered simply with an “s.” Proper nouns with universally accepted English spellings are rendered accordingly.

