

القرآن الكريم

الإملاء القرآني

Question

In words like:

إِسْحَاقُ، هَرُونَ، الرَّحْمَنُ، السَّمَوَاتُ

there is an *alif* that is pronounced but not written.

In the Qur'ān the *alif* is indicated by **الألفُ الخنجريةُ**.

Is it wrong to write these words (outside of the *muṣḥaf*) with the *alif* or should we leave it out?

Faḍīlat al-Shaykh Dr. V. Abdur Rahim (حفظه الله) replies:



Dear Sr Fulānah,

السلام عليكم

The Qur'ānic orthography is to be followed in the Qur'ān.

Outside the *muṣḥaf*, one may write these words in the normal orthography if there is one, e.g., in Syria, the word **مائة** (hundred) is written without the unpronounced *alif* **مئة**.

But words like:

هَذَا، ذَلِكَ، الرَّحْمَنُ، إِلَهٌ

are written outside the *muṣḥaf* as they are written in the *muṣḥaf*.

Some people write **هَارُونَ، إِسْحَاقُ** with *alif*, and there is nothing wrong about this.

I hope this has helped you.

والسلام

abdur rahim