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Shiite Connotations on Islamic Architecture in Cairo in the Fatimid Era (358-567 A.H/ 969-1171 A.D)	عنوان البحث
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The city of Cairo is serving as the capital of Egypt since it was	
built by the Fatimids in 358 A.H/969 A.D. The Fatimids ruled	الملخص
Egypt for over 208 years (358-567 A.H/ 969-1171 A.D), in	_
which they constructed many buildings in the city. Most of	
these Buildings are still well preserved until now with its	
magnificent decorations that were completely influenced by	
the Shiite concepts as a part of their plan to promote for	
Shiism among Egyptians secretly and publicly. Some of these	
elements are simply interpreted while the others are not, as the	
Fatimids believed in obvious meaning "Azzahir" and hidden	
meaning "Al-batin", which indicates that every obvious	
meaning has a hidden meaning, an idea that was widely	
employed by the Fatimids to spread their thoughts among all	
the Egyptian society during their rule of Egypt.	
The paper illustrates the hidden meanings of the Fatimid	
decorations preserved within the Islamic architecture of Cairo,	
which have been highlighted according to the Shiites'	
thoughts. The study also includes the additions of the Fatimids	
to the previous Islamic buildings in Cairo, like The mosque of	
Ahmed ibn Tulun.	
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Architecture, Kufic Calligraphy, Fatimid Ornaments.	