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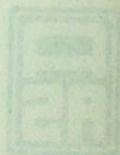
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## Preface

This book, hopefully, will be the first in a series of books on the Islamic lifeways of peoples in Asia and Afro-America. Although much has been written on the Chinese Islamic experience of the 1950's and early 1960's, since 1964 there has not been a book written on the Chinese Muslim Minority describing in full detail the Muslim society in the People's Republic of China, therefore this book is written in the hope it will fully explain and discuss the modern lifestyle of the Muslims in China. Secondly I have tried to present in this book a list of other works on Islam in China, which will help other scholars in the future to describe various aspects of Islam in China.

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