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Imam Khomeini Residence Office

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Number:

In the Name of God

Dear Miss Torabi,

I was very pleased as I noticed your responsibility and commitment to social and cultural duties. But for your conscience's sake, could you find any inadequacies in the virtue of Islam and beliefs which are based on reason and ethics, or in the Islamic laws and regulations, like sanity, or in any other Islamic commands? So why do we need to consider Islam as a temporary religion and believe in another school of thought, Prophet, book or commands? Is there anything above these glowing and divine truths and the infallible Imams and their words? So follow your conscience and testify that Mohammad is the Seal of the Prophets and Imam Mahdi is present. Any claimant who speaks without reason and miracle is unacceptable, such as Sayyidⁱ Ali Mohammad [The Bab,] or Abbas Effendi, or any other one. Deny them, so we will be able to accept you as a just and truth seeking woman.

ⁱ An honorific denoting people accepted as descendants of the Islamic prophet, Mohammad