

DRAFT OF AN AGREEMENT FOR A PARTNERSHIP  
IN GOLDSMITHING  
First Half of 13th Century

Ibrāhīm b. Bū al-Fadl, may his end be good, and Bū al-Hasan b. al-'Alā, may his end be good, both appeared in court.

The aforementioned Ibrāhīm put down three and one-half Egyptian dinars, and the aforementioned Bū al-Hasan put down one and one-half dinars and the two sums were intermingled. It was acknowledged that Abū al-Hasan would supplement his contribution until it reached a full three and one-half dinars so that the two investments would be of equal value.

We made the symbolic purchase from them in a valid manner, to be in effect immediately, and they prayed for guidance from the Creator, may He be praised.

The two parties will work in the craft of goldsmithing, and they will sell (their products). Whatever profit they make is to be shared between them equally in half. Likewise, if they encounter a setback in the work in which they will be engaged, that too is to be borne between them equally.