AL-FĀRĀBĪ'S INFLUENCE ON ḤAMĪD AL-DĪN AL-KIRMĀNĪ

TABLE 2

(a) The emanation of the Intellects, according to al-Fārābī's Mabādi'

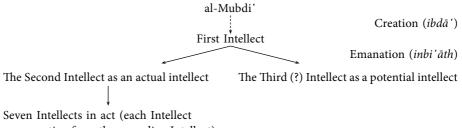
The First Being \downarrow

Emanation (fayd)

The First Intellect	
The Second Intellect	The First Heaven
The Third Intellect	The Sphere of the fixed stars
The Fourth Intellect	The Sphere of Saturn
The Fifth Intellect	The Sphere of Jupiter
The Sixth Intellect	The Sphere of Mars
The Seventh Intellect	The Sphere of the Sun
The Eighth Intellect	The Sphere of Venus
The Ninth Intellect	The Sphere of Mercury
The Tenth Intellect	The Sphere of the Moon
(=the Active Intellect)	

(b) The emanation of the Intellects, according to al-Kirmānī's $R\bar{a}hat~al$ -'aql

1. The emanation of the Intellects from the First Intellect⁵⁷



emanating from the preceding Intellect)

57. Al-Kirmānī, *Rāḥat al-ʿaql*, p. 168.

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2. The Intellects and the celestial spheres⁵⁸

al	-Mubdiʻ	
		Creation (<i>ibdā</i> ')
	1	
al-mubdaʻ al-awwal	¥	The enveloping enhance
		The enveloping sphere
(The First Intelle et)		(al-muḥīț)
\checkmark		Emanation (<i>inbiʿāth</i>)
al-munba <u>ʿath al-awwa</u> l		The Sphere of the fixed stars
(The Second Intellect)		\rightarrow
al-munbaʿath al-thānī		The Sphere of Saturn
(The Third Intellect)		
		~
al-munba `ath al-thālith		The Sphere of Jupiter
(The Fourth Intellect)		
\checkmark		\rightarrow
al-munba`ath al-rābi`		The Sphere of Mars
(The Fifth Intellect)		\rightarrow
al-munbåʿath al-khāmis		The Sphere of the Sun
(The Sixth Intellect)		
al-munbaʿath al-sādis		The Sphere of Venus
(The Seventh Intellect)		
al-munbaʿath al-sābiʿ		The Sphere of Mercury
(The Eighth Intellect)		
	¥	
al-munbaʿath al-thāmin	\frown	The Sphere of the Moon
(The Ninth Intellect)		~
al-ʿaql al-ʿāshir		The Sphere of the sublunary world
(The Tenth Intellect)		

 $R\bar{a}hat al- `aql$ does not make clear the hierarchical rank of the potential Intellect which proceeds from the first simultaneously with the second. Probably it is to be identified with the tenth Intellect, as it operates as the demiurge of our material, sublunary world. Later Ismā `īlī interpretations of $R\bar{a}hat al- `aql -$ for instance by the Yemenite Țayyibī author Ibrāhīm b. al-Ḥusayn al-Ḥāmidī (d. 557/1162) in his *Kitāb Kanz al-Walad* – state that the potential Intellect was originally the third, but emanating si-

58. Al-Kirmānī, Rāḥat al-ʿaql, p. 256.