

THE EXPLICIT  
HOLY TEXT

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OF  
ABDU'L-BAHIA

" . . . the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Bahá. which together with the Kitáb-i-Aqdas, constitutes the chief depository wherein are enshrined those priceless elements of that Divine Civilization, the establishment of which is the primary mission of the Bahá'í Faith. A study of the provisions of these sacred documents will reveal the close relationship that exists between them . . . every fair-minded inquirer will readily admit that they are not only complementary, but that they mutually confirm one another, and are **INSEPARABLE PARTS OF ONE COMPLETE UNIT.**" (emphasis added)

" . . . he who reads the Aqdas with care and diligence will not find it hard to discover that the Most Holy Book itself anticipates in a number of passages the institutions which 'Abdu'l-Bahá ordains in His Will. By leaving certain matters unspecified and unregulated in His Book of Laws, Bahá'u'lláh seems to have deliberately left a gap in the general scheme of Bahá'í Dispensation, which the unequivocal provisions of the Master's Will has filled. To attempt to divorce the one from the other, to insinuate that the Teachings of Bahá'u'lláh have not been upheld in their entirety and with absolute integrity, by what 'Abdu'l-Bahá has revealed in His Will, is an unpardonable affront to the unswerving

fidelity that has characterized the life and labors of our beloved Master."

" . . . the system of Baha'i Administration is not an innovation imposed arbitrarily upon the Bahá'ís of the world since the Master's passing, but derives its authority from the Will and Testament of 'Abdu'l-Bahá." From writings of Shoghi Effendi, World Order of Bahá'u'lláh (pp.3-4)

**THE PROVISIONS OF THE EXPLICIT HOLY TEXT HAVE BEEN PROMISED TO ENDURE FOR NO LESS THAN A FULL THOUSAND YEARS. THIS, THEREFORE, INCLUDES ALL OF THE INSTITUTIONS ORDAINED THEREIN, INCLUDING THE GUARDIANSHIP.**