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MOTTO

Then do ye remember Me; I will remember you. Be grateful to Me, and reject not Faith.

(The Heifer (2): 152)

I've left with you what should you keep,
you'll safe from going astray
you should hold fast to it.

It is something clear and simple:

GOD’S BOOK and THE SUNNAH OF HIS PROPHET

(Muhammad (May ALLAH Bless Upon Him))
DEDICATION

With love, this research paper is dedicated to:

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My wonderful Mother and Father,

and My beautiful Sister,

Thanks for Love and Support

May Allah Guide Us Together in His Path

Thanks for All of My Lecturers and Becoming My Teacher

May Allah Bless us

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ABSTRACT

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The objectives of the study are (1) to describe the type of euphemisms used in the English translation of Holy Qur’an and their replacement, (2) to describe the referent of euphemisms used in the English translation of Holy Qur’an, and (3) to describe the intention of euphemisms used in the English translation of Holy Qur’an.

The type of this research is qualitative research. In collecting the data, the writer uses documentation method by selecting the euphemism which can be found in the English translation of Holy Quran by Yusuf Ali. To achieve the type of euphemism, the writer classifies data based on the theory agreed upon Williams (1975); Shipley (1977); Rawson (1983); Neaman & Silver (1983); Allan & Burridge (1991). To achieve the referent, the writer uses the theory of Nida (1975). To dig the intention of euphemisms the translation English translation of Holy Quran by Yusuf Ali chapter The Heifer by occupying the theory of Speech act of Austin (1962).

The result of the study shows that regarding to the (1) types of euphemism, the writer found the types of euphemism as follows: 1) 16 semantic change (80%), specifically, they are 7 semantic shifts (35%), 2 indirects (10%), 2 understatement (10%), 2 widening (10%), 2 liotes (10%), 1 metaphorical transfer (5%), and 4 circumlocutions (20%); and 2) 4 circumlocations (20%). (2) referents are: extensionalist (see words in their contexts) (90%) and intensionalist (analyze the contour of words as in componential analysis) which is contiguity (10%). (3) The intentions are representative of asserting (10% usage) and representative of recalling (5% usage), directives of requesting (5% usage), directives of forbidding (15% usage) and directives of commanding (40% usage), commissives of threatening (15% usage), declarations of declaring war (5% usage) and declarations of excommunicating (5% usage), and there is no expressive.

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