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|           | ُ | ai or ay | ey |

| Short | َ | a | a or e |
|       | ُ | u | u or ū / o or ō |
|       | ِ | i | i or ی |

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