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T-S H2.152, showing a leaf from a Passover Haggada, written on parchment with Judaeo-Arabic reading instructions. The fragment, unusually, includes a Fifth Question.

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