What is said between the Takbir (saying: "Allahu Akbar [Allah is the Greatest]") in Salatul-`Eid (the Festival Prayer)?

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Q: What should a Ma'mum (a person being led by an Imam in Prayer) and Imam say between the seven Takbirs in the first Rak`ah (unit of prayer) and the five Takbirs in the second Rak`ah in Salat-ul-`Eid? Can one say: "Subhan Allah (Glory be to Allah), Alhamdu lillah (Praise be to Allah), La ilaha illa Allah (There is no god but Allah), and Allahu Akbar (Allah is the Greatest)."?

A: A person is required to say Takbir seven times in the first Rak `ah of Salat-ul- `Eid at the beginning of his Salah.

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A person is also required to say Takbir five times in the second Rak `ah raising his hands for every Takbir. One is legally permitted also to say Tahmid (saying: "Alhamdu lillah [All praise is due to Allah]"), Tasbih (saying: "Subhan Allah [Glory be to Allah]") and Takbir (saying: "Allahu Akbar [Allah is the Greatest]"). One is permitted also to ask Allah to confer peace and blessings upon the Prophet (peace be upon him) between every Takbir and the other.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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