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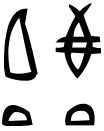
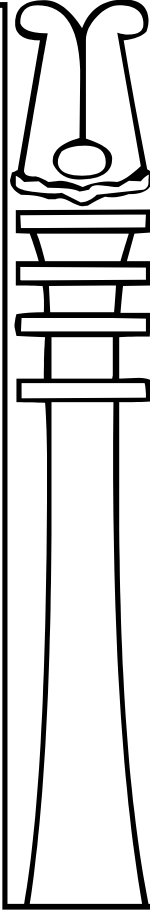
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*The noble Avalokiteshvara Bodhisattva,
while practicing the deep practice of Prajñāpāramitā,
beheld the emptiness of the five skandhas and said,
“Here, Shariputra,
form is emptiness, emptiness is form;
emptiness is not other than form,
form is not other than emptiness;
whatever is form is emptiness,
whatever is emptiness is form.
The same is true for sensation, perception,
volition and consciousness.
Here, Shariputra, all dharmas are emptiness.
They are neither born nor destroyed,
pure nor defiled, complete nor deficient.
Therefore, Shariputra, in emptiness there is no form,
sensation, perception, volition, or consciousness;
no eye, ear, nose, tongue, body, or mind;
no shape, sound, smell, taste, feeling, or thought;
no element of perception from eye
through conceptual consciousness.
There is neither ignorance nor extinction of ignorance,
nor any causal link up to and including old age and death.
There is no suffering, no cause, no extinction, and no path;
no knowledge, no attainment, and no non-attainment.
Therefore, Shariputra, without attainment,
Bodhisattvas take refuge in Prajñāpāramitā
and live with unimpeded mind.*

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*With unimpeded mind, and therefore without fear,
they see through delusions and finally nirvana.
All Buddhas past, present, and future take refuge in
Prajñāpāramitā and realize unexcelled,
perfect enlightenment.
You should therefore know the
great mantra of Prajñāpāramitā,
the mantra of great magic,
the mantra equal to the unequalled,
which heals all suffering and is true, not false,
the mantra in Prajñāpāramitā spoken thus:
'Gate, Gate, Paragate, Parasangate, Bodhi Svaha.'*”