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### **THE HILAAL FOR EID**

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#### ***IT IS WAAJIB TO SIGHT THE CRESCENT MOON***

According to the calculations and predictions of the astronomers and scientists, *“The Moon is not expected to be seen in almost the whole world except with difficulty in South America, and with ease in the Polynesian Islands”*.

The Shariah is not the product of determinations made by scientists, astronomers, technologists and the like. The Shariah is what Muhammad (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) imparted to the Ummah more than fourteen centuries ago. This Divine Shariah commands that Muslims should search for the hilaal (crescent moon) at the end of the 29<sup>th</sup> day of the Islamic month. The Command of Nabi-e-Kareem (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) is explicit and emphatic that we *must* search for the moon after 29 days of the Islamic month. If the hilaal is not sighted, then the month will be 30 days.

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It is haraam to abandon *searching* for the hilaal at the end of the 29<sup>th</sup> day on the basis of what the astronomers claim, namely, visibility is impossible. Regardless of astronomical calculations, scientific determinations and weather conditions, it remains Waajib to search for the hilaal at the end of the 29<sup>th</sup> day of the Islamic month.

The claim of impossibility of visibility is moronic. It is moronic for Muslims since it is in conflict with the express command of Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam). It is also moronic in terms of reality and practical experience.

On Sunday evening the 27 July, the moon will be approximately 17 hours 30 minutes old in Cape Town. In South Africa the hilaal was seen some years ago at 16 hours, and it has been seen a number of times at 18 hours. Thus, the talk of impossible visibility is bunkum.

It is Waajib on Muslims to search for the hilaal on Sunday evening which is Monday evening in Islamic terms since the Islamic night precedes the day.

**Of importance is to note that news from Saudi Arabia in particular, and from other countries in general, will not be acceptable here. Only sightings in South Africa reported and confirmed reliably will be accepted.**

Rasulullah (sallallahu alayhi wasallam) has said that towards the approach of Qiyaamah, sighting of the hilaal will become relatively easier since Allah Ta'ala will create the hilaal of the first night larger than its size in former times. And, this applies to the hilaal of the first night, hence it is improper to comment that the moon is possibly of the second night if it appears

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unusually large.

Our Shar'i edicts are determined by the principles and commands of the Shariah. There is no scope for astronomy and science in this domain. The sphere of operation for science is entirely apart from the Shariah. The attempt to bend the Shariah to conform to scientific theories and practices is kufr.

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