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**SIGHTING THE CRESCENT**

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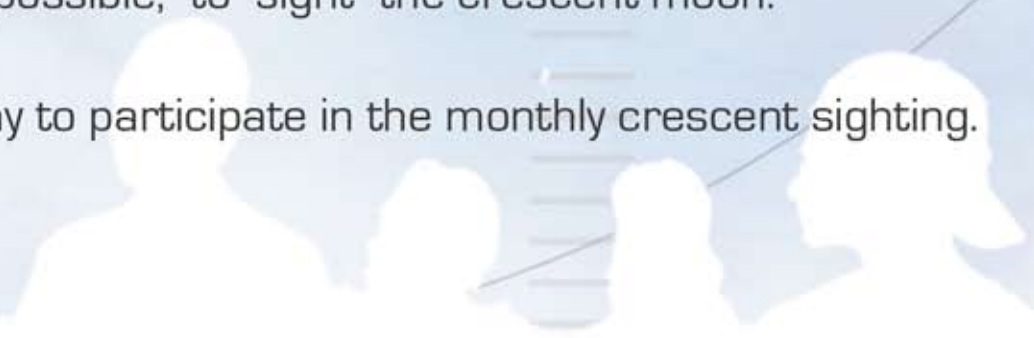
'Ayn Academy considers the sighting of the crescent moon an important and integral responsibility upon Muslims, Fard al-Kifaya, in establishing the lunar calendar. Whilst we are aware of the numerous positions held by different communities, 'Ayn Academy does not intend to add or refute the practices of others. The aim of monthly crescent sighting is to provide accurate information about the commencement of each lunar month to Muslims who wish to act decisively with a clear conscience.

We make the following statements of fact:

1. Crescent sighting is generally a misunderstood issue within our community. This controversy revolves around determining the optimal criterion for establishing the lunar calendar. 'Ayn Academy holds to the revival and transmission of traditional Islamic knowledge as a universally applicable System. We also recognize the validity of local moon sighting within a country [based on 'Ikhtilaful Matali' and 'Ittihadul Matali' positions of Fiqh], as well as the choice to separate sighting due to regional time zones. Therefore 'Ayn Academy recognises the moon sighting from anywhere in Australia confirmed by credible Muslim witnesses. 'Ayn Academy works with organisations throughout Australia in maintaining this information.

2. We acknowledge that astronomical calculations cannot be used as valid means for determining our Islamic dates. This is because there is no scientific method to determine the probability of seeing the crescent. However, scientific astronomical calculations based on Islamic stipulated conditions, can act as a beneficial guide as to when it is possible, or impossible, to sight the crescent moon.

Contact 'Ayn Academy to participate in the monthly crescent sighting.



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## 'Ayn - The Heart of Traditional Learning

'Ayn Academy is dedicated to facilitating the dissemination of beneficial Islamic knowledge. We are committed to the principles of 'Ilm - knowledge and 'Amal - good works; and recognise that only through the latter does knowledge achieve true value. 'Ayn Academy is based in South Australia and is a non-profit and non-sectarian organisation.

## 'Ayn - Facilitating the Sacred Path

'Ayn Academy recognises the importance of attaining knowledge and experiencing a true sense of Barakah - blessings, through a direct teacher-student relationship.

In this way, we endeavour to provide learning opportunities for seekers of beneficial knowledge in the form of Deen Intensives, structured Distance Learning Courses, Spiritual Retreats, Workshops, Field Projects, Seminars and Study Circles.

'Ayn Academy is not an institution of scholars, but intends to provide the community with access to qualified teachers.

Our main educational focus is Fard al-'Ayn - personal obligations and Fard al-Kifaya - communal obligations in the sciences of Aqida - Beliefs, Fiqh - Jurisprudence and Tasawwuf - Spirituality.

