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السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

COMMENCEMENT OF THE MONTH OF RAMADAN 1440AH -2019

The commencement of the Blessed month of Ramadan will be dependent on the sighting of the moon. The 29th day of Shaban will be Sunday 5 May 2019. CIQ encourages one and all to start searching for the crescent moon on Sunday night. If the moon is not sighted on Sunday night, then the month of Shaban will be 30 days.

The first day of Ramadan will be either Monday 6 May 2019 or Tuesday 7 May 2019.

CIQ acknowledges the different opinions among the scholars regarding the method of determining the commencement of the Blessed month of Ramadan. Therefore, CIQ calls upon all Muslims to respect these differences by avoiding debates that lead to disagreements and misunderstanding amongst the Muslims and to rather focus our energy and effort in exerting ourselves to make this Ramadan a means of our salvation and a means of gaining closeness to Allah.

For additional information about the visibility of the moon and updates about the commencement of the month of Ramadan please visit <u>www.moonsightingaustralia.info</u>

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