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Fittine Fatin and Aazim Fitnah

Dear Readers Brothers and Sisters

Assalamu Alaikum Warahamatullah Wabarakatuh

The Central Moon Sighting Committee of Great Britain (CMSC) published in 1413h/1992 a detailed interpretation of the 'Fatwa 98 Alif' of Muftiyane Kiram particularly Hazrat Mufti Nizamuddin, *rahimahullah* from Darul Uloom Deoband. The fact of the subject matter is this Fatwa was not requested by the CMSC, it was issued upon a question raised by an unknown third person.

A dissenter with ill-intention associated the Fatwa to the CMSC in order to create public confrontation, turmoil and confusion.

In reality, this evil agitator has devised a dangerous plan against the noble religion and the CMSC. He is the one who, a year previously, lead the salat of *Eidul Fitr* 1412 AH whilst in the state of fasting, and was audacious enough to justify his repulsive non-Islamic action by saying – *following Saudi Arabia is wrong, but I could not openly oppose it in the fear that the Mosque Committee would complain to the Home Office to terminate my Visa application for indefinite stay in the UK, and the future of my family & children will be doomed. That was the reason why I lead the Eid salat in the state of Fasting.*

In any case, he misused this Fatwa 98Alif of Darul Uloom Deoband with the intention of misguiding the British public, and publicised his satanic action by distributing hand to hand and by post, leaflets with the following title above that Fatwa '**We have reverted from following Saudi Arab'– A Fatwa from Muftis of Darul Uloom Deoband**'.

When we first received that leaflet in 1992 / Rajab 1413 AH, we disregarded it as it was unreliable to accept anything from such a major sinner who leads Eid salat while fasting. But when we later examined it, we realised his attempt to deceive the community:

a) The Fatwa was a reply to someone else's question and not for CMSC

b) The subject of 'Reverting from Saudi Arabia' pointed out in the leaflet, referred to an incident well before the London Seminar of 1984 held at the Islamic Cultural Centre, Regents Park, London. The Fatwa reply was received from Darul Uloom Deoband following a question raised by a third party having absolutely no association with the 1407/1986's CMSC's resolution to follow Saudi Arabia's Hilal Sighting Decisions, this resolution was decided and agreed upon at Darul Uloom Bury by majority Deobandi Ahlus Sunnah wal Jamaah Organisations. This is can be seen from snippet of the Fatwa content below as stated in the leaflet:–

“But when objections against Saudia (as mentioned by The Questioner of this fatwa as well) started arriving, I, at that time (before the 1984 Seminar) reverted from it and duly informed the questioner and well after this reverting incident, Shaikh Abdullah Mughrim facilitated The Seminar at London (in 1984) on the subject of Hilal Sighting in Britain”.

The Facts:

(1) The above quotation of this fatwa clearly exhibits the deceiving character of this evil agitator and treacherous planer, and it shows that this fatwa was not against the CMSC's 1407H/1986 Resolution (see point b above), instead it was written in response to the previous Fatwa (before 1984) from Darul Uloom Deoband.

(2) The second fact in support of this is the fatwa 20B dated 7th Shaban 1413H / 31st January 1993 in response to questions vis-à-vis the above 'Fatwa 98Alif' by CMSC:

In reply to this question Muftiyane Kiram in particular Hazrat Mufti Nizamuddin *rahimahullah*, Mufti of Darul Uloom Deoband expressed intense sorrow for this evil action of that agitator and wrote to us:

... After an announcement circulated from Shaikh Ibn Baz saying – In Saudi Arabia, we do not base Hilal Decisions upon calculations. Instead, we reach Hilal decisions only after receiving Sharai evidence as prescribed in ahaadith – I reversed my previous decree and sent the reversal note accordingly. Despite that to refer to my original decree repeatedly is total arrogance. Anyway, Hizbul Ulama UK and Jamiatul Ulama Britain's unity and agreement on this is very commendable, may Allah accept it.

CMSC's Research and more Observations on this Fatwa

Remember, there was the conference of Deobandi Scholar's representative main organisation in the UK in 1407H/1986 held at Bury Darul Uloom, under the Joint chair of Hazrat Maulana Yusuf Motala, Hazrat Maulana Moosa Karmadi and Hazrat Maulana Ubaidurrahman, *Hafizahumullah*.

The CMSC resolved to follow the Saudi Hilal decisions which were taken in light of Shariah Law and *Fataawa*. In 1413H/1993, six years after that resolution, we received this satanic trouble provoking leaflet with 'Fatwa 98Alif', therefore we at once wrote the following to Hazrat Mufti Nizamuddin sahib, senior of Darul Ifta Deoband:

.... Here in the UK one of your Fatwa dated 22.3.1413, is being circulated by an individual trying to reject Saudi Hilal Decisions by allegedly, declaring: Muftis of Darul Uloom Deoband and in particular yourself, have decided to retract from supporting the Saudi Hilal decisions because the Saudis base their decisions on Astronomic calculations and predications. Is this true?

Main result: The agreement at Darul Uloom Bury is *very commendable*.

In reply, Hazrat Mufti Nizamuddin sahib and other Muftis of Darul Uloom Deoband expressed intense sorrow for this evil action of that agitator and wrote to us:

... **After an announcement circulated from Shaikh Ibn Baz saying – In Saudi Arabia, we do not base Hilal Decisions upon calculations. Instead, we reach Hilal decisions only after receiving Shari evidence as prescribed in Ahaadith – I reversed my previous decree and sent the reversal note accordingly. Despite that to refer to my past negative decree repeatedly is a total arrogance. Anyway, your unity means Hizbul Ulama UK and Jamiatul Ulama Britain's agreement on this is (Buhut Mubarak Iqdam hai) very commendable. May Allah accept it.**

Upon receiving this reply from Darul Uloom Deoband, we publicised it together with a note of the agitator's shaitanic plans and deceptive intentions. The evil agitator, instead of accepting the Prophetic instructions and Islamic teaching, published a booklet trying to promote his guru's non Islamic ideology. He removed from his booklet the previously misquoted Darul Uloom Deoband *Fatwa* for which he was heavily criticised from all quarters of the community, nonetheless the same *Fatwa* was highlighted in his previous edition under the title '**We revert from supporting Saudi Hilal decisions – A Fatwa from Muftis of Darul Uloom Deoband**'. Please [click here](#) to see copy of the pages from his past and later booklets with and without the misappropriate use of the *fatwa* (please visit our website) .

Note: CMSC is forced to publish this clarification at this point in time because the agitators have, by their emails, once again accused the CMSC for hiding the alleged above Darul Uloom Deoband fatwa from Mufti Nizamuddin sahib, rejecting the validity of Saudi Hilal decisions, and Molvi Samiruddin exposed the CMSC's supposed treachery. Please note that neither the CMSC nor the **Unanimous Resolution to follow Saudi Hilal Decisions by the conference of Deobandi Scholars at Darul Uloom Bury on 28.12.1986 (1407 AH)** had any connection with the *Fatwa* question. The *Fatwa* actually arrived after a third party directly questioned Darul Uloom Deoband in 1992 (12.3.1413 AH about 22.9.1992) many years after the London seminar of 1984.

Further results:-

Islamic Culture Centre London refrain and cease following the non-Shari formula of 1984, however the others accept the same non-Shari compliant formula.

In conclusion:-

1. The agitator's misquoting the *Fatwa*, our question to Darul Uloom Deoband and their subsequent reply has closed the door for the deception and misguidance planned by the evil agitators.
2. It has been established that –
 - a) It is totally illegal to base Hilal Decisions upon calculations;
 - b) To use calculations as a test against the Hilal sighting testimony is against *Shariah*, a refutable thought, and a corrupt practice;
 - c) Foundation of Hilal Decision Committees, and their illegal decisions for hilal of Ramadhan and two Eids, is also *baatil* (evil);
 - d) To practice using a theoretical *baatil* (incorrect) rule is not permissible because it is evil according to *Shariah* Law.
3. Because of its *non-Shariah* nature, the formula to use calculation to base *Hilal* dates was rejected by the Islamic Culture Centre, London, and they are following the *Shariah* endorsed Saudi *Hilal* decisions for the past 19 years, for the reason that the 1984 formula has a condition to use 'Calculation for presence of Hilal on the British horizon'.
4. Islamic Culture Centre, Regent Park, London, discontinued to follow the 1984 formula, which made compulsory, the use of the astronomic calculations, but another committee was formed by the opposition from Balham Mosque, London in the name of the old committee and started practising and promoting the 1984 formula's *non-Shari* condition of 'calculated presence of *Hilal* on British horizon'. This *fatwa* has rejected the validity of their following such condition. It should be noted that the 1984 Formula with binding condition of 'calculated presence of Hilal on British horizon' has been heavily criticised and declared illegal, incorrect and *non-Shari* by the Darul Uloom Deoband Muftis and Mufti Nizamuddin sahib.

To this effect, Mufti sahib wrote, 'apart from this, when a seminar was held on this subject organised by Abdullah Mughram in London (Dr. Ali Mughram Al Ghamedi the then Director of Islamic Culture Centre), **I wrote clearly that Establishing the Hilal Decision will not be on any calculation or prediction. Despite that, they have placed a wrong condition - 'provided that the Astronomy Experts accept the presence of hilal on the horizon'**. As soon as I learnt that condition, **I sent my rejection of the validity of that formula.**

Here is the translation of CMSC `s answer `The Fatwa 20B` (about query of misused Fatwa of Darul Uloom Deoband)

Below are the Original both Urdu Fatawa ;

- (1) [\(Click to read Responce by D.Deoband against misused fatwa in query of CMSC ; The Urdu Fatwa 20B\)](#)
- (2) [\(Click to see misused Urdu Fatwa 98Alif of DD in the book\)](#)



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