

# 1- Moon Fighting Madness: [The Ultimate Crash Course For The Confused](#) by Mausab Qazi.

## 2- CCIRI Rationale behind the decision for those who are celebrating on Monday



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### RE: EID AL-FITR

As-Salam Alaykum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu,

Many local moonsighting committees in America and Canada are observing Eid on Monday. This decision has brought forth many questions and concerns.

### Summary of Last Night's Decisions

1. Both the concept of a single global horizon (*ittihad al-matali'*) and multiple local horizons (*ikhtilaf al-matali'*) arise from valid scholarly differences of opinion. Proponents of a global sighting accept moon sightings from anywhere in the world, whereas proponents of a local sighting accept only those made within their pre-determined parameters.
2. In practice, those who adhere to local moon sighting in North America adopt a horizon to encompass all of North and South America.
3. Masajid and associations that decide to wait for a confirmed sighting within their own horizon are following a legitimate position.
4. Generally, a sighting in the east suggests that the moon, as it continues to age, should be easier to spot in the west. In practice, a reliable sighting in the East leads to multiple mass sightings in the West. Despite the supposed sightings in the East, there were no confirmed sightings anywhere in North or South America.
5. Although some African countries reported sightings, the moon's age at sunset was below the typical visibility threshold, raising doubts about their validity. Notably, no verified sightings occurred in North or South America, further discrediting these claims, especially since Venus has previously been mistaken for the crescent moon in the same vicinity.
6. All local committees announcing confirmed positive reports did so based on accounts from the east, rather than their own local sighting.
7. True unity lies in respecting these valid differences of opinion. Regardless of your fiqhi stance, do not let this matter become a source of contention or conflict.

And Allah Knows Best.

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## 3- The NASA's interactive site to view moon visibility does not show moon visibility on the night of 28<sup>th</sup> March 2025. Please click on this link, [Daily visibility of Moon -NASA](#), navigate to the end of page select the date and notice for yourself.

4- **Hilal Sighting Committee of North America Post.**

This post can be viewed on their facebook page, posted on March 30<sup>th</sup> 2025.

<https://www.facebook.com/HilalSighting.Committee/>



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As salamu alaykum,

We have received a number of questions about several North American sighting claims from Saturday night, and felt it might be helpful to address some of the questions here.

At the Hilal Sighting Committee of North America, we always make sure to stay aware of every sighting claim that circulates, and we follow up on every single one of them, tracing them back to their original source. As it turned out, none of the sighting claims on Saturday originated from an actual sighting claim in North America.

We confirmed that all the claims from Saturday traced back to masjid or committee announcements saying "the moon has been sighted," but the relied upon source sighting was actually from Saudi Arabia. One exception was the claim that came from the Hilal Committee of Canada. Upon direct contact with them, they affirmed that they had no sighting in North America at all (only overseas), despite the misleading language on their website.

At the Hilal Sighting Committee of North America, we only follow the confirmed, naked-eye sighting of the moon in North America. This is what we have consistently and reliably done for decades, and we will continue that trusted methodology in service of the Muslims in North America who want to implement this blessed sunnah just as the Prophet and his companions practiced it, insha'Allah.

We hope that helps bring some clarity, and we pray that everyone has a blessed and bountiful Eid, regardless of whatever day they celebrate it. Ameen. 🙏