





## CORONAVIRUS PANDEMIC SUSPENSION OF CONGREGATIONAL ACTIVITIES

We continue to monitor the changing conditions related to COVID-19 throughout the world. We have considered the counsel of local mosque leaders, government officials and medical professionals, and we continue to seek Allah's guidance in these matters. We now provide the following updated advice.

In light of ANIC's Fatwa Board ruling, CIQ, ICQ and IMAQ advises all mosques, Islamic centres and places where Friday prayers are conducted to suspend all Friday prayers.

Each mosque can decide about daily prayers based on their circumstances.

This is intended to help minimise the spread of the virus and is aligned to the latest advice from the Federal Government.

We recognise the centrality of congregational prayers in the life of Muslims as we strive to perform our religious obligations. This advice is not taken lightly but is in keeping with our Islamic teachings.

Where possible, mosque leaders and Imams should conduct any essential meetings via technology. Specific questions may be referred to your local mosque leaders.

ICQ also recommends all organisations to use this time to perform a thorough cleaning of their premises.

We encourage all our leaders in their efforts to care for one another. Let us continue to follow the example of our Prophet Muhammad *(peace by upon him)* to bless and lift others.

We seek Allah's protection during this time of uncertainty.

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