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In the name of Allāh the Compassionate and the Merciful.We asking help to Allāh: verily He is the best Helper. Praise Allāh, the Lord of the worlds. May Allāh pray on Mohammad, Eali and their family the virtuous, the pures and curse of Allāh be with their enemies forever and ever

يَسْتَلُونَكَ عَنِ الْأَهِلَّةِ قُلْ هِيَ مَوَاقِيتُ لِلنَّاسِ وَ الْحُجِّ : Allāh the High, the Immense in His sage and high Book said

They ask you about the Helãl say: These are signs to mark fixed periodsof time for mankind and for the pilgrimage.

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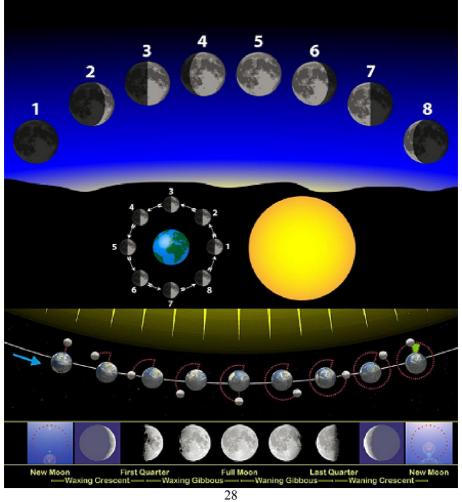
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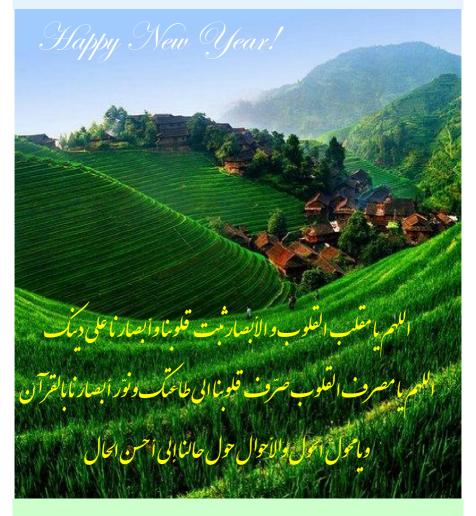
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## The blessed month of Ramadan 1438 lunar hijri



Happy New Year for the followers of the Truth

#### THE BEGINNING OF THE BLESSED MONTH OF

#### Ramadan 1438

## Šaĕbãn Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the blessed month of Ramadãn

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aělã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation , and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Šaěbãn was friday 8<sup>th</sup> Taurus = 8<sup>th</sup> Ordibehešt 1396 = 28<sup>th</sup> April 2017

Also, the last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of Šaěbān was on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> Kordãd 1396 = 24<sup>th</sup> May 2017 = 27<sup>th</sup> Šaěbān 1438, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), because on Sunrise 27<sup>th</sup>, the Moon entered in tahto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of Šaěbān started at Sunset on  $27^{th}$  (at 18:56 Makkah local time), with the beginning of the  $28^{th}$  night of Šaěbān and the Moon was in tahto šoãe at least two days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Šaěbãn will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Friday  $29^{th}$  at 18:57 local time of Makkah. The Moon will be in tahto šoãe until this time and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Sunset Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Šaěbān 1438= 25<sup>th</sup> May 2017 = 4<sup>th</sup> Kordād 1396 at 18:56 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaĕh**.)

#### Moon at Sunset on

#### 29<sup>th</sup> Šaĕbãn in local mean time of Makkah (KMT):

Moonset: 19:42 KMT Sunset: 18:57 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 45 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible in

the sky after Sunset = one degree): 11°15'

Elongation from Sun: 11°06'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 7°27'

Helãl Width: +00°00'23" Phase Angle: +167°47'39" Moon altitude: 8°42'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 356560 km

Illumination: 1 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

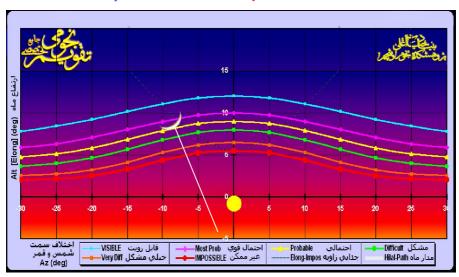
#### **Observation Results:**

According to the values mentioned above, at Sunset the Helãl, with a good brightness, will appeare above the horizon and will be visible with naked eye.

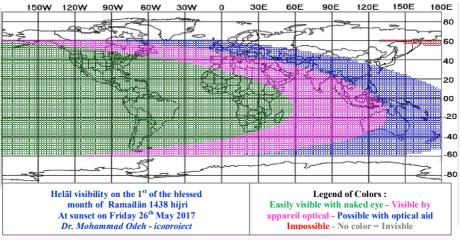
#### Position of the Helal in the evening of 29th Šaeban

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the yellow line and it was possible to see it.

The Helãl position at Sunset on Friday 29th Šaĕbãn 1438 in Makkah



**The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Friday evening. In some Islamic countries and continents (South and South West of Asia, America, South of Europe), the Helãl will be visible.



#### Position of the Helãl Friday evening in the eight Heavens

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	Topocer	ntric Obs	ervation						ce Sun
The eight Heavens	The begining of conjunction Wednesday	The middle of conjunction Thursday	The end of conjunction Friday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and St
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	18:56	18:56	18:56	18:57	19:42	0:45'	11°06'	8°42'	7°27'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	19:02	19:03	19:02	19:03	19:48	0:45'	11°11'	8°26'	8°03'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	18:59	19:00	18:59	19:00	19:42	0:42'	11°12'	7°06'	9°25'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	19:02	19:02	19:02	19:03	19:44	0:41'	11°14'	6°56'	9°33'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	19:02	19:03	19:02	19:03	19:44	0:41'	11°14'	6°54'	9°40'
<b>Samarra</b> Sãmarrã Ğarîb	19:06	19:07	19:06	19:07	19:48	0:41'	11°17'	6°45'	9°50'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	18:38	18:39	18:39	18:40	19:17	0:37'	10°44'	5°42'	9°54'
Al Qods Bayt-oul-Maqdes	18:35	18:35	18:35	18:36	19:19	0:43'	11°33'	7°27'	9°32'

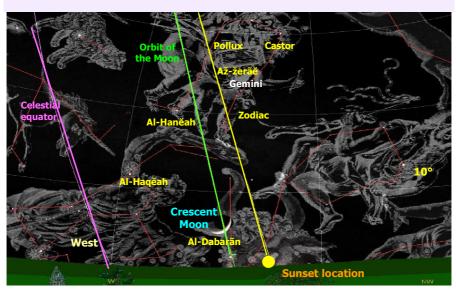
So, enšã Allah, the month of Šaěban has 29 days.

The first day of the blessed month of Ramadan 1438 will be on Saturday  $6^{th}$  Gemini =  $6^{th}$  Kordad 1396 =  $27^{th}$  May 2017.

## Helal sighting of the blessed month of Ramadan 1438 in the night before the day of Saturday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the blessed month of Ramadãn: in the night before the day of Saturday, the Sun will set at 18:57 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 19:42. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 45 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah and its region.

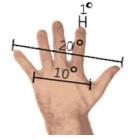
### The Helãl observation map in the first night of the blessed month of Ramadãn 1438



#### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 5°07' Taurus In Tropical sign: 5°35' Gemini

Azimuth: 113°16'
Declination: 21°14'

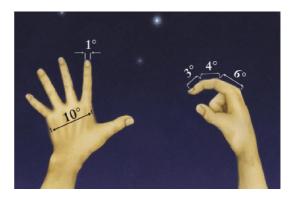


#### The characteristics of the Helal:

In Sidereal sign: 16°14' Taurus In Tropical sign: 17°40' Gemini Tropical Mansion: Al-Žerãě

Latitude: - 4°58' (southern) Moon Declination: 17°50' Moon Inclination: 5°09'00"

Moon Altitude: 8°42' Moon Azimuth: 105°50' Phase Angle: +167°48'



#### The Helãl shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the left side.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

**Al-Dabarãn:** Alpha ( $\alpha$ ) Taurus is marking the right eye of the Bull in Taurus constellation, with a magnitude of 0.85.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric) Horizontal Parallax: +01°01'19"

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helãl, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac.



### THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Šawwāl 1438

## Ramadan Waning (old) Crescent and the Helal of the month of Šawwal

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aĕlã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the blessed month of Ramadãn was Saturday  $6^{th}$  Gemini =  $6^{th}$  Kordãd =  $27^{th}$  May 2017.

Also, the last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of Ramadãn was on Friday  $2^{nd}$  Tir  $1396 = 23^{rd}$  June  $2017 = 28^{th}$  Ramadãn 1438, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise  $28^{th}$ , the Moon entered in tahto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of Ramadãn started at Sunrise on  $28^{th}$  at 05:40 Makkah local time and the Moon was in tahto šoãe about three days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Ramadãn will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Sunday  $30^{th}$  at 19:06 local time of Makkah. Until this time the Moon will be in tahto šoãe and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Żohr Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Ramadãn 1438= 24<sup>th</sup> June 2017 = 3<sup>rd</sup> Tir 1396 at 12:23 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaěh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaěh.**)

According to the honorable Šariaěh, the believer must strive to see the Helãl in the night of the 29<sup>th</sup> lunar month. If Helãl has not be observed, so the month has a thirtieth day and the new lunar month begins the day after.

#### Moon at Sunset on

#### 29<sup>th</sup> the blessed month of Ramadan in local mean time of Makkah (KMT):

Moonset: 19:29 KMT Sunset: 19:06 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset):23 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree):  $5^{\circ}45'$ 

Elongation from Sun: 7°07'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 6°39' Helãl Width: +00°00'10" Phase Angle: +171°48'

Moon altitude: 3°54'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 358858 km

Illumination: 1 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

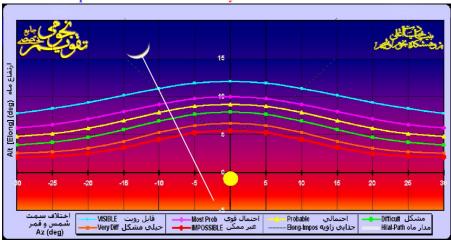
#### **Observation Results:**

Given the thinness of Helãl and its low altitude, the Helãl will not appeare above the horizon and it will not possible to see the it.

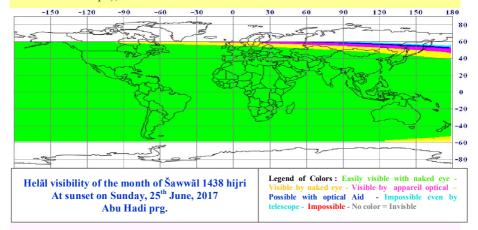
Position of the Helãl in the evening of 30<sup>th</sup> blessed month of Ramadãn

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the blue line and it was possible to see it.

The Helãl position at Sunset on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> blessed month of Ramadãn 1438



## **The below map shows** the Helãl visibility on Sunday evening. In all Islamic countries and continents (Asia, Australia, North and South America, Africa and Europe), the Helãl will be visible.



#### Position of the Helãl Sunday evening in the eight Heavens

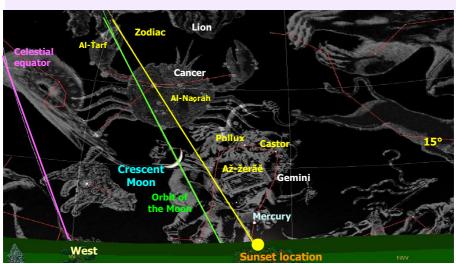
	Topocentric Observation					10		0	ce Sun
The eight Heavens	The begining of conjunction Friday	The middle of conjunction Saturday	The end of conjunction Sunday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and St
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	05:40	12:23	19:05	19:06	20:29	1:23'	21°11'	16°54'	12°11'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	05:34	12:24	19:13	19:14	20:34	1:20'	21°17'	16°03'	13°18'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	04:58	12:05	19:11	19:12	20:38	1:26'	21°20'	14°02'	15°45'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	04:57	12:06	19:14	19:15	20:31	1:16'	21°22'	13°49'	15°58'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	04:54	12:05	19:15	19:16	20:31	1:15'	21°23'	13°32'	16°12'
Samarra Sãmarrã Ğarīb	04:54	12:07	19:19	19:20	20:35	1:15'	21°26'	13°19'	16°29'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	04:15	11:34	18:52	18:53	20:04	1:11'	20°55'	12°11'	16°43'
Al Qods Bayt-oul-Maqdes	04:35	11:42	18:47	18:48	20:06	1:18'	21°41'	14°21'	15°54'

So enšã Allah, the blessed month of Ramadãn has 30 days. The first day of the month of Šawwãl 1438 and the day of Ěid Fitr will be on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Cancer = 5<sup>th</sup> Tir 1396 = 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

## Helal sighting of the month of Sawwal 1438 in the night before the day of Monday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the month of <code>Šawwãl</code>: in the night before the day of Monday, the Sun will set at 19:06 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 20:29. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 1 hour and 23 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah and its region.

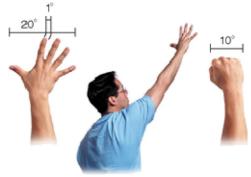
## The Helãl observation map in the first night of the month of Šawwãl 1438.



#### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 3°49' Gemini In Tropical sign: 4°17' Cancer

Azimuth: 115°32'
Declination: 23°21'54"



#### The characteristics of the Helãl:

In Sidereal sign: 25°00' Gemini In Tropical sign: 26°19' Cancer Tropical Mansion: Al-Ĵabhah

Latitude:- 2°56' (southern) Moon Azimuth: 103°22' Elongation from Sun: 21°11' Moon Declination: 18°09'

Moon Altitude: 16°54' Illumination: 3 Percent

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 360585 km

Helãl Width: +00°01'09" Phase Angle: +158°33'



#### The Helãl shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the left side.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

Al-Žerãe this Mansion, Alpha Geminorum (Castor) is the first star and Beta Geminorum (Pollux) is the second star in Gemini (the Twins). Pollux is brighter than Castor and is closer to the Zodiac (6 degrees northern latitude) and Alpha Geminorum is 10 degrees northern latitude. The Moon is located in the south of this mansion

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)

Horizontal Parallax: +01°00'30"

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helãl, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac

## THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Žĩ-Qaĕdah 1438

#### Šawwãl Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the blessed month of Žĩ-Qaĕdah

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aělã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation of the Revelation and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Šawwãl was Monday 5<sup>th</sup> Cancer = 5<sup>th</sup> Tir= 26<sup>th</sup> June 2017.

Also, The last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of Šawwãl was on Saturday  $31^{st}$  Tir  $1396 = 22^{nd}$  July  $2017 = 27^{th}$  Šawwãl 1438, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-ioloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise  $27^{th}$ , the Moon will enter in tahto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of Šawwãl started at Sunset on  $27^{th}$  (at 19:04 Makkah local time), that is correspond with the beginning of the  $28^{th}$  night of Šawwãl and the Moon was in tahto šoãe at least two days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Šawwãl will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on  $27^{th}$  at 19:03 local time of Makkah, with the beginning of  $28^{th}$  night. Until this time, the Moon will be in tahto šoãe and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Sunset Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Šawwãl 1438= 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2017 = 1<sup>st</sup> Amordãd 1396 at 19:04 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaěh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaěh**.)

### Moon at Sunset on 29<sup>th</sup> Šawwãl in local mean time of Makkah (KMT):

Moonset: 20:01 KMT Sunset: 19:03 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 58 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree): 14°30'

Elongation from Sun: 16°22'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 10°37' Helãl Width: +00°00'40" Phase Angle: +163°32'

Moon altitude: 11°47'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 366752 km

Illumination: 2 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increasesby more than 7 percent)

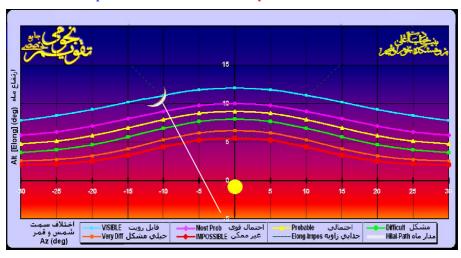
#### **Observation Results:**

According to the values mentioned above, at Sunset the Helâl, with a good brightness, will appeare above the horizon and will be visible with naked eye.

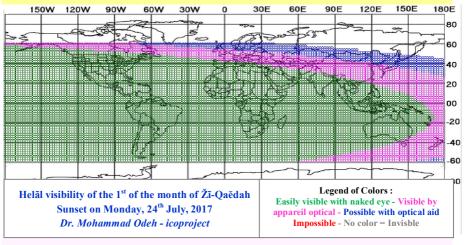
#### Position of the Helãl in the evening of 29<sup>th</sup> Šawwãl

The figure below, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the blue line and it was possible to see it.

#### The Helãl position at Sunset on Monday 29th Šawwãl 1438 in Makkah



**The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Monday evening. In some Islamic countries and continents (Asia, North and South America, Africa, Europe and Australia), the Helãl will be visible.



#### Position of the Helal Monday evening in the eight Heavens

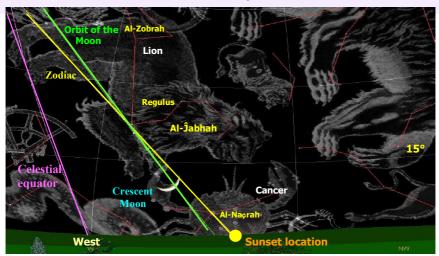
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The eight Heavens	The begining of conjunction Saturday	The middle of conjunction Sunday	The end of conjunction Monday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	19:04	19:04	19:02	19:03	20:01	0:58'	16°22'	11°47'	10°37'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	19:10	19:10	19:09	19:10	20:05	0:55'	16°28'	11°01'	11°24'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	19:06	19:06	19:04	19:05	19:56	0:51'	16°30'	09°21'	13°04'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	19:09	19:08	19:07	19:08	19:58	0:50'	16°32'	09°07'	13°13'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	19:09	19:09	19:07	19:08	19:58	0:50'	16°33'	09°01'	13°23'
Samarra Sãmarrã Ğarīb	19:13	19:12	19:11	19:12	20:02	0:50'	16°36'	08°46'	13°34'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	18:45	18:44	18:43	18:44	19:30	0:46'	16°05'	07°50'	13°35'
Al Qods Bayt-oul-Maqdes	18:42	18:42	18:40	18:41	19:34	0:53'	16°50'	09°38'	13°15'

So enšã Allah, the day of the month of  $\Sigma$ ĩ-Qaĕdah 1438 will be on Tuesday  $3^{rd}$  Leo =  $3^{rd}$  Amordãd 1396 =  $25^{th}$  July 2017.

## Helãl sighting of the month of Žĩ-Qaĕdah 1438 in the night before the day of Tuesday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the month of **Žĩ-Qaĕdah**: in the night before the day of Tuesday, the Sun will set at 19:03 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 20:01. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 58 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah and its region.

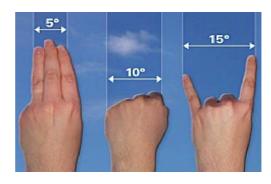
## The Helãl observation map in the first night of the month of **Žĩ-Qaĕdah** 1438.



#### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 1°28' Cancer In Tropical sign: 1°57' Leo

Azimuth: 111°34'
Declination: 19°43'



#### The characteristics of the Helal:

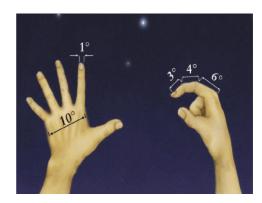
In Sidereal sign: 17°50' Cancer In Tropical sign: 19°05' Leo Tropical Mansion: Al-Zobrah

Latitude: -1°04' (southern) Moon Declination: 14°20' Moon Altitude: 11°47' Moon Azimuth: 100°57'

Illumination: 2 Percent

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 366752 km

Phase Angle: +163°32' Helãl Width: +00°00'40"



#### The Helal shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the left side.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

**Al-Tarf:** This Mansion consists of 2 stars of magnitude 5: one star out of the constellation Cancer, in the continuation of Zuben Elgenubi called Kappa Cancri (Latitude 5) and another, in front of the bright star Regulus called nu Leo along side the Zodiac. The Moon is located in the south of nu Leo from Al-Tarf.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric) Horizontal Parallax: +00°59'34"

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helãl, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac.



## THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah 1438

#### Žĩ-Qaĕdah Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the month of Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aělã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation  $\stackrel{\text{\tiny Log}}{\text{\tiny Log}}$ , and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of  $\check{Z}$ ĩ-Qaědah was Tuesday  $3^{\text{rd}}$  Leo =  $3^{\text{rd}}$  Amordãd =  $25^{\text{th}}$  July 2017.

Also, The last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of  $\check{Z}\tilde{i}$ - $\hat{H}e\tilde{j}\hat{j}$ ah was on Monday  $30^{th}$  Amordãd  $1396 = 21^{st}$  August  $2017 = 28^{th}$   $\check{Z}\tilde{i}$ -Qaĕdah 1438, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise  $28^{th}$ , the Moon will enter in tahto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of  $\check{Z}\tilde{i}$ -Qaĕdah started at sunrise on  $28^{th}$  at 6:01 Makkah local time and the Moon was in tahto šoãĕ about three days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Žĩ-Qaĕdah will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> at 18:45 local time of Makkah. Until this time, the Moon will be in tahto šoãĕ and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Żohr Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> Žĩ-Qaĕdah 1438= 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2017 = 31<sup>st</sup> Amordãd 1396 at 12:24 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaĕh.**)

According to the honorable Šariaěh, the believer must strive to see the Helâl in the night of the 29<sup>th</sup> lunar month. If Helâl has not be observed, so the month has a thirtieth day and the new lunar month begins the day after.

## Moon at Sunset on 29<sup>th</sup> Žĩ-Qaĕdah in local mean time of Makkah (KMT):

Moonset: 19:19 KMT Sunset: 18:46 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 33 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree):  $8^{\circ}15'$ 

Elongation from Sun: 9°16'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 6°39'

Helâl Width: +00°00'13" Phase Angle: +169°09'

Moon altitude: 6°00'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 374846 km Illumination: 0 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

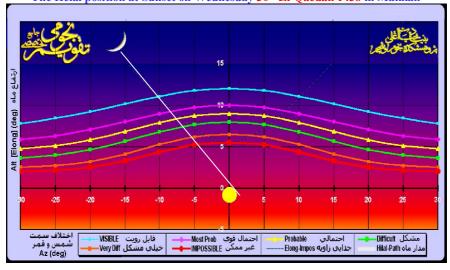
#### **Observation Results:**

Given the thinness of Helãl and its low altitude, the Helãl will not appeare above the horizon and it will not possible to see it.

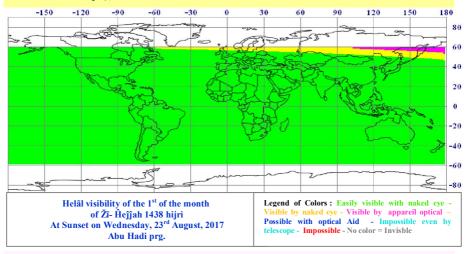
#### Position of the Helal in the evening of 30<sup>th</sup> Žĩ-Qaĕdah

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the blue line and it was possible to see it.

The Helãl position at Sunset on Wednesday 30th Žĩ-Qaĕdah 1438 in Makkah



**The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Wednesday evening. In all Islamic countries and continents (Asia, Australia, North and South America, Africa and Europe), the Helãl will be visible.



#### Position of the Helal Wednesday evening in the eight Heavens

The eight Heavens	Торосе			e e		e	ce Sun		
	The begining of conjunction Monday	The middle ofconjunction Tuesday	The end of conjunction Wednesday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and Su
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	06:01	12:24	18:44	18:45	20:06	1:21'	23°27'	17°36'	14°47'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	05:59	12:24	18:48	18:49	20:08	1:19'	23°31'	16°45'	15°49'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	05:31	12:06	18:37	18:38	19:52	1:14'	23°31'	14°27'	18°04'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	05:32	12:07	18:39	18:40	19:53	1:13'	23°32'	14°15'	18°15'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	05:29	12:06	18:38	18:39	19:52	1:13'	23°32'	14°08'	18°28'
<b>Samarra</b> Sãmarrã Ğarîb	05:30	12:07	18:41	18:42	19:55	1:13'	23°35'	13°51'	18°43'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	04:54	11:34	18:11	18:12	19:21	1:09'	23°05'	12°48'	18°50'
<b>Al Qods</b> Bayt-oul-Maqdes	05:08	11:42	18:13	18:14	19:29	1:15'	23°49'	14°45'	18°15'

So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of Ži-Ĥeĵĵah 1438 will be on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Virgo=2<sup>nd</sup> Šahriwar 1396 = 24<sup>th</sup> August 2017, and in all Islamic countries Eid Qorbãn will be on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> Virgo=11<sup>th</sup> Šahriwar = 2<sup>nd</sup> September

In the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation it says:

"Yawma sawmekom yawma naĥrekom": يوم صومكم يوم نحركم

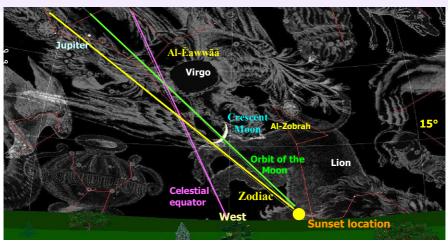
That means: "The day (of the week) which was your first day of fasting (i.e the first day of the blessed month of Ramadan), the same day (of the week) is your sacrifice (Eid Qorban)."

This year, the first day of the blessed month of Ramadan was Saturday and Eid Qorban will be Saturday ensã Allah.

## Helal sighting of the month of Ži-Ĥeĵĵah 1438 in the night before the day of Thursday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the month of Ži-Ĥeĵĵah: in the night before the day of Thursday, the Sun will set at 18:45 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 20:06. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 1 hour and 21 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah and other Islamic countries.

The Helãl observation map in the first night of the month of **Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah** 1438.



#### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 00°14' Leo In Tropical sign: 00°41' Virgo

Azimuth: 102°25' Declination: 11°13'

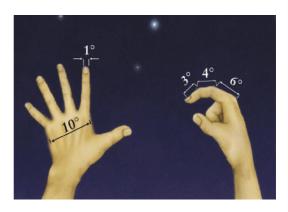
#### The characteristics of the Helal:

In Sidereal sign: 23°41' Leo In Tropical sign: 24°48' Virgo Tropical Mansion: Al-Semãk

Latitude: 2°03"

Elongation from Sun: 23°27' Moon Declination: +4°13"

Moon Altitude: 17°36" Moon Azimuth: 87°39" Illumination: 4 Percent Helâl Width: +01°19' Phase Angle: +156°23'



#### The Helalshape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the left side.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

Al-Zobrah: This Mansion consists of 4 stars on the back of Leo. Index and the brightest star of this Mansion is Zosma (Delta Leonis- δ Leo with magnitude of 2.56 and latitude 14 degrees. Theta Leonis (θ Leo) and 60 Leonis (60 Leo) (magnitude 4.42) are other stars of this mansion. The Moon crosses from the south of this mansion

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)

Horizontal Parallax: +00°57'38"

In the picture, the Moon path is shown with a green line and the Sun path with a yellow line. The Moon and the Sun orbits junct in N.Node and S.Node.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helal, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac.

## THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Moĥarram al-ĥaram 1439

#### Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the month of Moĥarram al-ĥarãm

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aělã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation  $\stackrel{\text{\tiny cull}}{\text{\tiny cull}}$ , and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Žĩ-Ĥejĵah was Thursday  $2^{nd}$  Virgo =  $2^{nd}$  Šahriwar  $1396 = 24^{th}$  August 2017.

Also, the last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of  $\check{Z}\tilde{i}$ - $\hat{H}e\hat{j}$ ah was on Tuesday  $28^{th}$  Šahriwar  $1396 = 19^{th}$  September  $2017 = 27^{th}$   $\check{Z}\tilde{i}$ - $\hat{H}e\hat{j}$ ah 1438, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise  $28^{th}$ , the Moon entered in tahto šoãe (i.e the Moon is under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of  $\check{Z}\tilde{\imath}$ - $\hat{H}e\hat{\jmath}\hat{\jmath}$ ah started at Sunset on  $27^{th}$  at 18:20 Makkah local time, with the beginning of the  $28^{th}$  night of  $\check{Z}\tilde{\imath}$ - $\hat{H}e\hat{\jmath}\hat{\jmath}$ ah and the Moon was in tahto šoãe about two days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> at 18:18 local time of Makkah. Until this time the Moon will be in taȟto šoãĕ and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Sunset Wednesday  $28^{th}$  Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah  $1438=20^{th}$  September  $2017=29^{th}$  Šahriwar 1396 at 18:19 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaěh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaěh**).

#### Moon at Sunset on

#### 29<sup>th</sup> Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah in local mean time of Makkah (KMT):

Moonset: 19:20 KMT Sunset: 18:18 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 1 hour and 2 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible in the sky

after Sunset = one degree): 15°30' Elongation from Sun: 16°28'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 9°16'

Helăl Width: +00°00'40" Phase Angle: +163°07' Moon altitude: 13°15'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 387074 km

Illumination: 2 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

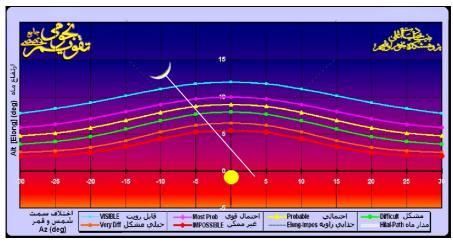
#### **Observation Results:**

According to the values mentioned above, at Sunset the Helal, will appeare above the horizon and will be visible with naked eye.

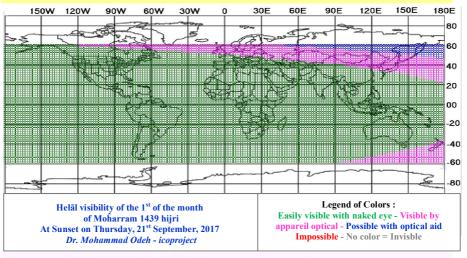
#### Position of the Helãl in the evening of 29th Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the blue line and it was possible to see it.

#### The Helãl position at Sunset on Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Žĩ-Ĥeĵĵah 1438 in Makkah



**The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Thursday evening. In all Islamic countries and continents (Asia, North and South America, Africa, Europe and Australia), the Helãl will be visible.



#### Position of the Helãl Thursday evening in the eight Heavens

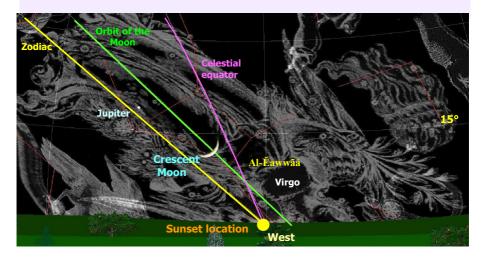
The eight Heavens	Topocer	ntric Obs			a)		e e	Sun	
	The begining of conjunction Tuesday	The middle ofconjunction Wednesday	The end of conjunction Thursday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and Su
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	18:20	18:19	18:17	18:18	19:20	1:02'	16°28'	13°15'	09°16'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	18:21	18:20	18:18	18:19	19:20	1:01'	16°31'	12°46'	10°03'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	18:03	18:02	18:00	18:01	18:59	0:58'	16°27'	11°11'	11°43'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	18:05	18:03	18:01	18:02	19:00	0:58'	16°28'	11°07'	11°52'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	18:04	18:02	18:00	18:01	18:59	0:58'	16°29'	10°55'	12°02'
Samarra Sãmarrã Ğarīb	18:06	18:04	18:02	18:03	19:00	0:57'	16°30'	10°44'	12°14'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	17:33	17:32	17:29	17:30	18:25	0:55'	16°00'	10°04'	12°14'
Al Qods Bayt-oul-Maqdes	17:40	17:38	17:36	17:37	18:36	0:59'	16°45'	11°29'	11°55'

So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of Moĥarram 1439 will be on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Virgo=31<sup>st</sup> Šahriwar 1396= 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2017.

## Helal sighting of the month of Moharram 1439 in the night before the day of Friday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the month of Moĥarram: in the night before the day of Friday, the Sun will set at 18:18 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 19:20. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 1 hour and 2 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah, other Islamic countries and all the continents.

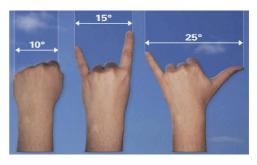
### The Helâl observation map in the first night of the month of Moharram 1439.



#### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 28°22' Leo In Tropical sign: 28°50' Virgo

Azimuth: 90°50'
Declination: 0°28'



#### The characteristics of the Helal:

In Sidereal sign: 14°50' Virgo

In Tropical sign: 15°57' Libra

Tropical Mansion: Al-Qalb

Latitude: + 03°27' (northern)

Moon Declination: -2°51"

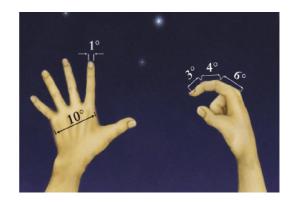
Moon Inclination: 5°09'00

Moon Altitude: 13°15"

Moon Azimuth: 81°34'

Illumination: 2 Percent

Phase Angle: +163°06'57"



#### The Helãl shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the left side.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

**Ěawwãå:** This Mansion consists of five stars in Virgo constellation as an L-shape. The first star of this mansion is Zavijava (beta  $\beta$ ) and the brightest star is Ěawwâ (delta  $\delta$ ). The other stars are: gamma Virgo ( $\gamma$ : on the curvature of the L-shape), epsilon (ε Vindemiatrix) and Zaniah (eta  $\eta$ ). The Moon crosses this mansion from the south.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)

Horizontal Parallax: +00°56'26"

In the picture, the Moon path is shown with a green line and the Sun path with a yellow line. The moon and the sun orbits junctin N. Node and S. Node.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helãl, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac.

## THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Safar 1439

## Moĥarram Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the month of Safar.

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aělã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation  $\frac{1}{2}$ , and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Moĥarram was Friday  $31^{st}$  Virgo =  $31^{st}$  Šahriwar  $1396 = 22^{nd}$  September 2017.

Also, The last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of Moĥarram was on Thursday  $27^{th}$  Mehr  $1396 = 19^{th}$  October  $2017 = 28^{th}$  Moĥarram 1439, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-ioloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise  $28^{th}$ , the Moon will enter in tahto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of Moĥarram started at Sunrise on 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:18 Makkah local time and the Moon was in tahto šoãe about three days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Moĥarram will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> at 17:52 local time of Makkah. Until this time, the Moon will be in tahto šoãe and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Żohr Friday  $29^{th}$  Moĥarram  $1439=20^{th}$  October  $2017=28^{th}$  Mehr 1396 at 12:06 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaĕh**).

According to the honorable Šariaěh, the believer must strive to see the Helâl in the night of the 29<sup>th</sup> lunar month. If Helâl has not be observed, so the month has a thirtieth day and the new lunar month begins the day after.

## Moon at Sunset on 29<sup>th</sup> Moĥarram in local mean time of Makkah (KMT)

Moonset: 18:27 KMT Sunset: 17:52 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 35 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree): 8°45'

Elongation from Sun: 7°50'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 2°50' Helãl Width: +00°00'13" Phase Angle: +170°10'

Moon altitude: 6°00'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 395248 km

Illumination: 0 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

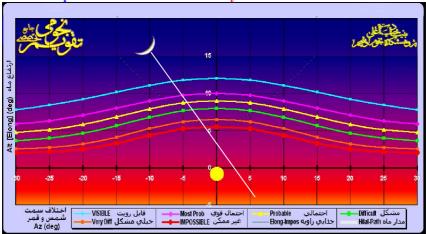
#### **Observation Result:**

Given the thinness of Helãl and its low altitude, the Helãl will not appeare above the horizon and it will not possible to see the it.

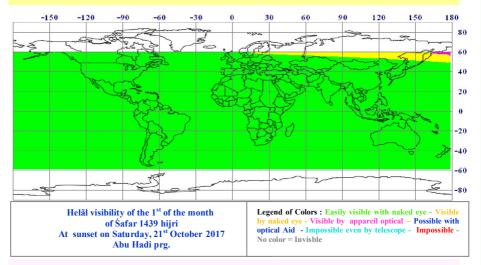
#### Position of the Helãl in the evening of 30<sup>th</sup> Moĥarram

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the blue line and it was possible to see it.





**The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Saturday evening. In all Islamic countries and continents (Africa, Asia, Europe, Australia, North and South America), the Helãl is easily visible with naked eye.



#### Position of the Helãl Saturday evening in the eight Heavens

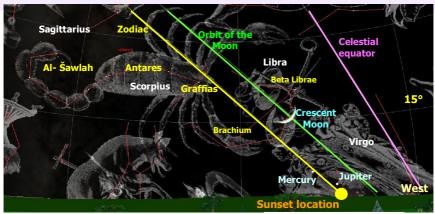
The eight Heavens	Topocentric Observation					0		0	e Sun
	The begining of conjunction Thursday	The middle ofconjunction Friday	The end of conjunction Saturday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	06:18	12:06	17:51	17:52	19:14	01:22'	20°14'	16°59'	10°35'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	06:21	12:06	17:49	17:50	19:12	01:22'	20°15'	16°26'	11°34'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	06:09	11:47	17:23	17:24	18:43	01:19'	20°08'	14°35'	13°43'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	06:11	11:49	17:23	17:24	18:43	01:19'	20°09'	14°33'	13°55'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	06:10	11:47	17:21	17:22	18:41	01:19'	20°09'	14°21'	17°07'
<b>Samarra</b> Sãmarrã Ğarîb	06:13	11:49	17:22	17:23	18:42	01:19'	20°10'	14°08'	14°22'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	05:42	11:16	16:47	16:48	18:05	01:17'	19°41'	13°17'	14°29'
Al Qods Bayt-oul-Maqdes	05:45	11:24	16:59	17:00	18:21	01:21'	20°25'	14°56'	13°55'

So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of Safar 1439 will be on Sunday  $30^{th}$  Libra=  $30^{th}$  Mehr  $1396 = 22^{nd}$  October 2017.

## Helal sighting of the month of Safar 1439 in the night before the day of Sunday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the month of Safar: in the night before the day of Sunday, the Sun will set at 17:52 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 19:14. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 1 hour and 22 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah, other Islamic countries andall the continents.

## The Helâl observation map in the first night of the month of Safar 1439.

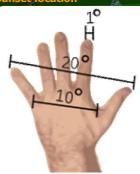


#### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 27°56' Virgo In Tropical sign: 28°24' Libra

Azimuth: 78°38'25"

Declination: -10°54'12"



#### The characteristics of the Helal:

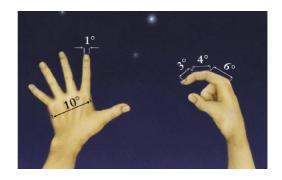
In Sidereal sign: 18°10' Libra In Tropical sign: 19°17' Scorpio Tropical Mansion: Al- Qalb

Latitude: +04°26'00"(northern) Moon Declination: -13°06'03"

Moon Altitude: 16°59' Moon Azimuth: 68°03'42"

Phase Angle: +159°13'45" Elongation from Sun: 20°14'

Illumination: 3 Percent Helãl Width: 00'59"



The Helâl shape (Crescent orientation): "Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the left side.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

**Al-Zobānā**: This Mansion consists of two stars on the two Scorpion's Claws and the two Balance's Scales: "Zuben Elgenubi" or  $\alpha$  Librae (magnitude 2.7) and "Zuben Eschamali" or  $\beta$  Libra (magnitude 2.6). Zuben Eschamali is rising earlier than Zuben Elgenubi and is the mean star of this Mansion.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)
Horizontal Parallax: +00°54'54"

In the picture, the Moon path is shown with a green line, the Sun path with a yellow line, and the celestial equator with a purple color.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helãl, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac.



## THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Rabiě al-awwal 1439

## Safar Waning (old) Crescent and the Helal of the month of Rabie al-awwal

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aĕlã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Śafar was Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> Libra= 30<sup>th</sup> Mehr 1396 = 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2017. Also, The last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of Śafar was on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> Ãbãn 1396 = 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017 = 27<sup>th</sup> Śafar 1439, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise 27<sup>th</sup>, the Moon will enter in taȟto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of Safar started at Sunset on  $27^{th}$  at 17:38 Makkah local time, with the beginning of the  $28^{th}$  night of Safar and the Moon was in tahto soãe at least two days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Safar will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> (at 17:38 local time of Makkah. Until this time the Moon will be in tahto šoãe and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Sunset Saturday  $28^{th}$  Safar  $1439=18^{th}$  November  $2017=27^{th}$  Aban 1395 at 17:38 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaĕh**).

#### Moon at Sunset on 29<sup>th</sup> Safar in local mean time of Makkah (KMT)

Moonset: 18:34 KMT Sunset: 17:38 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 56 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree): 14°00'

Elongation from Sun: 11°41'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 03°25'

Helâl Width: +00°00'21" Phase Angle: +167°33'44"

Moon altitude: 11°06'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 402988 km

Illumination: 1 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

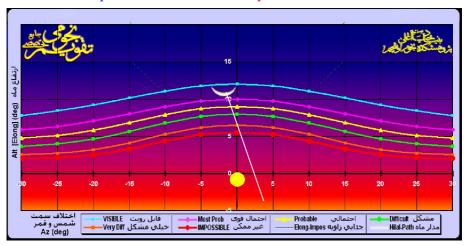
#### **Observation Results:**

According to the values mentioned above, at Sunset the Helal, will appeare above the horizon and will be visible with naked eye.

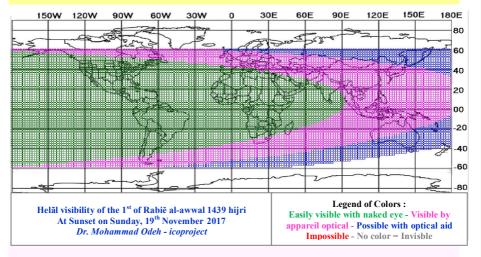
#### Position of the Helãl in the evening of 29<sup>th</sup> Safar

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the Purple line and it was possible to see it.

#### The Helãl position at Sunset on Sunday 29th Safar 1439 in Makkah



**The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Sunday evening. In Islamic countries and continents (Asia, America, Africa, Europe and Australia), the Helãl is easily visible with naked eye.



Position of the Helãl Sunday evening in the eight Heavens

The eight Heavens	Topocentric Observation					e		<u>e</u>	Sun
	The begining of conjunction Friday	The middle ofconjunction Saturday	The end of conjunction Sunday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	17:38	17:38	17:37	17:38	18:34	0:56'	11°41'	11°06'	3°25'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	17:34	17:34	17:33	17:34	18:31	0:57'	11°41'	10°50'	4°07'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	17:02	17:01	17:00	17:01	17:58	0:57'	11°31'	10°03'	5°40'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	17:02	17:01	17:00	17:01	17:58	0:57'	11°31'	09°59'	5°48'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	16:59	16:59	16:57	16:58	17:56	0:58'	11°30'	09°55'	5°57'
Samarra Sãmarrã Ğarīb	16:59	16:59	16:57	16:58	17:56	0:58'	11°31'	09°51'	6°09'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	16:22	16:22	16:20	16:21	17:17	0:56'	11°02'	09°14'	6°10'
<b>Al Qods</b> Bayt-oul-Maqdes	16:39	16:38	16:37	16:38	17:36	0:58'	11°48'	10°13'	5°50'

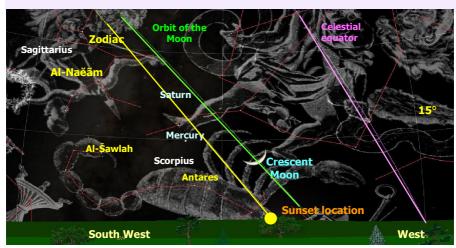
So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of Rabiě al-awwal 1439 will be on Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Scorpio = 29<sup>th</sup> Ãbãn 1396 = 20<sup>th</sup> November 2017.

## Helãl sighting of the month of Rabiĕ al-awwal 1439 in the night before the day of Monday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the blessed month of Rabiĕ al-awwal: in the night before the day of Monday, the Sun will set at 17:38 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 18:34.

That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 56 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah, islamic contries.

## The Helãl observation map in the first night of the month of Rabiĕ al-awwal 1439.



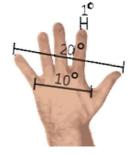
### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 26°59' Libra

In Tropical sign: 27°27' Scorpio

Azimuth: 69°14'38"

Declination: -19°35'17"





In Sidereal sign: 08°40' Scorpio In Tropical sign: 09°52' Sagittarius

Tropical Mansion: Al-Naĕam

Latitude: +04°09'00" (northern) Moon Declination: 5°09'00 Moon Inclination: -17°42'46" Moon Altitude: 11°05'59"



Moon Azimuth: 65°49'59"

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 402988 km

Elongation from Sun: 11°41' Phase Angle: +167°34'

#### The Helal shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

**Al- Qalb**: This Mansion consist of one star called Antares (α Scorpii, Alpha Scorpii) with 6 degrees southern latitude. It's located on the position of the heart of the Scorpius.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)

Horizontal Parallax: +00°54'14"

In the picture, the the Moon path is shown with a green line, the Sun path with a yellow line, and the celestial equator with a purple color.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helal, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac



# THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Rabiě al-Ákar 1439

## Rabiĕ al-awwal Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the month of Rabiĕ al-Ãkar

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aĕlã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation (and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Rabiĕ al-awwal was Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Scorpio= 29<sup>th</sup> Ãbãn 1396 = 20<sup>th</sup> november 2017.

Also, The last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of Rabiě al-awwal was on Sunday  $26^{th}$  Þar  $1396 = 17^{th}$  December  $2017 = 28^{th}$  Rabiě al-awwal 1439, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise  $28^{th}$ , the Moon will enter in tahto šoãě (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of Rabiĕ al-awwal started at Sunrise on 28<sup>th</sup> at 06:52 Makkah local time and the Moon was in tahto šoãĕ at least three days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Rabiĕ al-awwal will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> at 17:43 local time of Makkah. Until this time, the Moon will be in taȟto šoãĕ and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Żohr Monday 29<sup>th</sup> Rabiĕ al-awwal 1439= 18<sup>th</sup> December 2017 = 27<sup>th</sup> Þar 1396 at 12:17 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom (" ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaĕh**).

According to the honorable Šariaěh, the believer must strive to see the Helâl in the night of the 29<sup>th</sup> lunar month. If Helâl has not be observed, so the month has a thirtieth day and the new lunar month begins the day after.

## Moon at Sunset on

## 29<sup>th</sup> Rabiĕ al-awwal in local mean time of Makkah (KMT)

Moonset: 18:01 KMT Sunset: 17:42 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 19 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible in the sky after Sunset = one degree): 4°45'

Elongation from Sun: 2°53'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 1°48' Helãl Width: +00°00'03" Phase Angle: +175°37'

Moon altitude: 3°15'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 406123 km

Illumination: 0 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increasesby more than 7 percent)

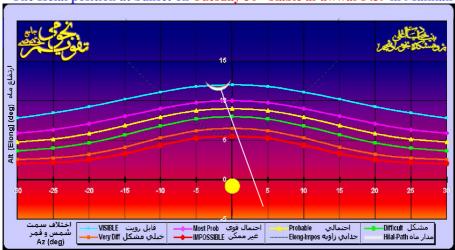
#### **Observation Results:**

According to the values mentioned above, at Sunset, the Moon will not appeare above the horizon and it will not be possible to see it.

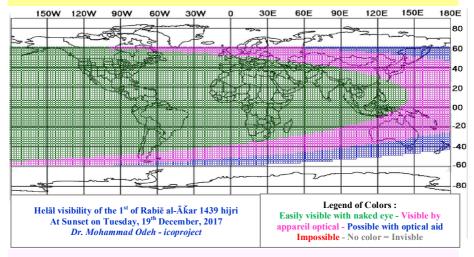
### Position of the Helal in the evening of 30<sup>th</sup> Rabie al-awwal

The figure below, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the blue line and it was possible to see it.

The Helãl position at Sunset on Tuesday 30th Rabiě al-awwal 1439 in Makkah



**The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Tuesday evening. In Islamic countries and continents (Asia, North and South America, Africa, Europe, Australia), the Helãl will be visible.



Position of the Helãl Tuesday evening in the eight Heavens

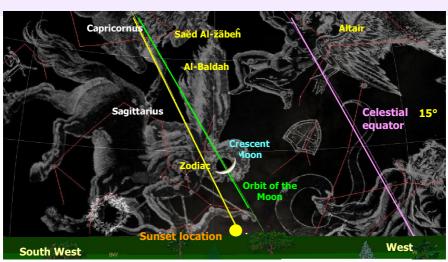
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The eight Heavens	Topocentric Observation					0		e)	Sun
	The begining of conjunction Sunday	The middle ofconjunction Monday	The end of conjunction Tuesday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitud at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and St
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	6:52	12:17	17:42	17:43	18:49	1:06'	13°42'	12°42'	3°18'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	6:59	12:18	17:36	17:37	18:44	1:07'	13°41'	12°35'	4°09'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	6:57	11:59	17:01	17:02	18:10	1:08'	13°29'	11°29'	5°59'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	7:00	12:01	17:00	17:01	18:09	1:08'	13°29'	11°31'	6°10'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	7:00	11:59	16:57	16:58	18:07	1:09'	13°28'	11°24'	6°20'
<b>Samarra</b> Sãmarrã Ğarīb	7:04	12:01	16:57	16:58	18:07	1:09'	13°28'	11°15'	6°33'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	6:37	11:28	16:18	16:19	17:27	1:08'	12°59'	10°41'	6°43'
Al Qods Bayt-oul-Maqdes	6:33	11:36	16:37	16:38	17:48	1:10'	13°45'	11°53'	6°08'

So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of Rabiĕ al-Ãkar 1439 will be on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Sagittarius =29<sup>th</sup> Þar 1396 = 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

## Helãl sighting of the month of Rabiĕ al-Ãkar 1439 in the night before the day of Wednesday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the blessed month of Rabiĕ al-Ãkar: in the night before the day of Wednesday, the Sun will set at 17:43 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 18:49. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 1 hour and 6 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah, islamic contries and all the continents

## The Helãl observation map in the first night of the month of Rabiĕ al-Ãkar 1439.

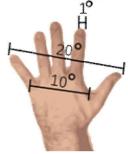


### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 27°25' Scorpio In Tropical sign: 27°53' Sagittarius

Azimuth: 65°06'06"

Declination: -23°25'07"



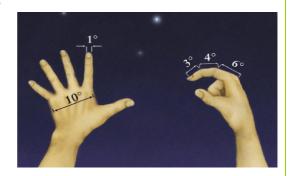
In Sidereal sign: 11°07' Sagittarius In Tropical sign: 12°23' Capricorn Tropical Mansion: Saĕd Al-žãbeĥ

Latitude: +02°28'29"(northern) Moon Declination: -20°27'50" Moon Inclination: 5°09'00

Moon Altitude: 12°41'33" Moon Azimuth: 61°47'48" Illumination: 1 Percent

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 405056 km

Phase Angle: +166°01'33" Helâl Width: +00°00'26"



#### The Helal shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top.

#### **Sidereal Mansions** (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):

Al- Naĕām: This mansion consists of 11 stars which 4 stars called Al- Naĕām al-Wārid, on the bow and arrow and 4 other stars called Al-Naĕām al-Sādirah on the chest. One star between the two, known as VaSl and 2 stars called Zalimain, 4 stars: gamma sagittarii (Nash), delta (Kaus Meridionalis), epsilon sagittarii (Kaus Australis), and eta = Al- Naĕām al-Wārid.

Al-Naĕām al-Śādirah: phi sagittarii, sigma (Nunki), Tau sagittarii (on the nock and the end of bow), zeta sagittarii (Ascella) on the armpit, chi.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)

Horizontal Parallax: +00°53'56"

In the picture, the Moon path is shown with a green line, the Sun path with a yellow line, and the celestial equator with a purple color.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helal, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac

## THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Ĵomādā al-õlā 1439

## Rabiĕ al-Ãkar Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the month of Ĵomãdā al-õlā

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aĕlã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of Last

Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Rabiě al- $\tilde{A}$ kar was Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Sagittarius= 29<sup>th</sup>  $\tilde{A}$ žar 1396 = 20<sup>th</sup> December 2017.

Also, the last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of  $\check{Z}\tilde{i}$ - $\hat{H}e\tilde{j}$ ah was on Monday  $25^{th}$  Dey  $1396 = 15^{th}$  January  $2018 = 27^{th}$  Rabiĕ al- $\tilde{A}$ k̃ar 1439, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), because on Sunrise  $27^{th}$  the Moon will enter in tahto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of the light of the Sun).

The interlunar days of the month of Rabiě al-Ãkar started at Sunset on  $27^{th}$  at 17:59 Makkah local time, with the beginning of the  $28^{th}$  night of Šaěbãn and the Moon was in tahto šoãě at least two days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Rabiě al-Ãkar will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> at 18:01 local time of Makkah. The Moon will be in tahto šoãě until this time and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Sunset Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Rabiĕ al-Ãkar 1439= 16<sup>th</sup> January 2018 = 26<sup>th</sup> Dey 1396 at 18:00 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the observation which is the criterion of the Šariaĕh.)

#### Moon at Sunset on

## 29<sup>th</sup> Rabiĕ al-Ãkarin local mean time of Makkah (KMT)

Moonset: 18:24 KMT Sunset: 18:01 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 23 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree): 5°45' Elongation from Sun: 7°00'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 0°04'

Helãl Width: +00°00'14" Phase Angle: +175°00' Moon altitude: 06°40'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth:  $403830 \ km$ 

Illumination: 1 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

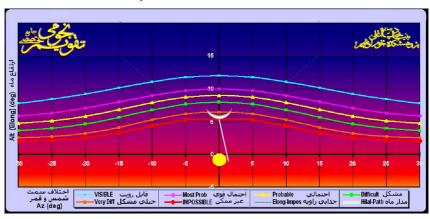
#### **Observation Results:**

Given the thinness of Helãl and its low altitude, his ocular observation will be possible in areas where geographical conditions are favorable. Otherwise, ocular observation of the Helãl will be more difficult. But if it is observed with the naked eye, the beginning of the month is effective and, in case of divergence, apply the instructions given by the Custodians of the Revelation Speech

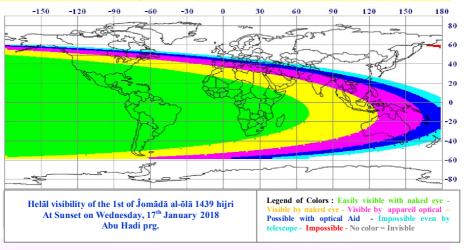
## Position of the Helãl in the evening of 29th Rabiĕ al-Ãkar

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the red line and it was possible to see it.

### The Helãl position at Sunset on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Rabiĕ al-Ãkar 1439 in Makkah



**The below map** shows the Helâl visibility on Wednesday evening. In some Islamic countries and continents (South and South West of Asia, Africa, North and South America), the Helâl is visible.



### Position of the Helãl Wednesday evening in the eight Heavens

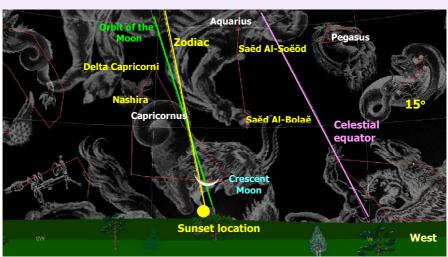
The eight Heavens	Topocentric Observation					0			ce Sun
	The begining of conjunction Monday	The middle ofconjunction Tuesday	The end of conjunction Wednesday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and St
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	17:59	18:00	18:00	18:01	18:24	0:23'	7°00'	6°40'	0°4'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	17:55	17:55	17:55	17:56	18:20	0:24'	6°59'	6°44'	0°24'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	17:21	17:22	17:22	17:23	17:47	0:24'	6°46'	6°18'	1°06'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	17:21	17:22	17:21	17:22	17:47	0:25'	6°46'	6°27'	1°10'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	17:18	17:19	17:19	17:20	17:44	0:24'	6°45'	6°16'	1°14'
<b>Samarra</b> Sãmarrã Ğarĩb	17:18	17:19	17:19	17:20	17:44	0:24'	6°46'	6°15'	1°19'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	16:40	16:41	16:41	16:42	17:05	0:23'	6°16'	5°49'	1°15'
<b>Al Qods</b> Bayt-oul-Maqdes	16:58	16:59	16:58	16:59	17:25	0:26'	7°02'	6°43'	1°12'

So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of  $\hat{J}$ omãdā al-õlā 1439 will be on Thursday  $28^{th}$  Capricorn =  $28^{th}$  Dey  $1396 = 18^{th}$  January 2018.

## Helãl sighting of the month of Ĵomãdā al-õlā 1439 in the night before the day of Thursday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the blessed month of Ĵomãdā al-õlā: in the night before the day of Thursday, the Sun will set at 18:01 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 18:24. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 23 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah and its region.

## The Helãl observation map in the first night of the month of Ĵomãdā al-õlā 1439.

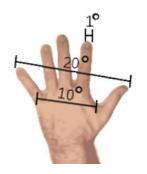


### The position of the Sun:

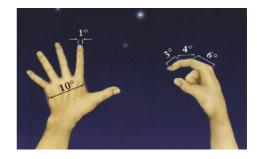
In Sidereal sign: 26°58' Sagittarius In Tropical sign: 27°27' Capricorn

Azimuth: 68°05'52"

Declination: -20°40'01"



In Sidereal sign: 01°52' Capricorn In Tropical sign: 03°13' Aquarius Tropical Mansion: Saĕd Al- Soĕõd Latitude: +0°53'51" (northern) Moon Declination: -18°45'41" Moon Inclination: 5°09'00 Moon Altitude: 6°40' Moon Azimuth: 68°01'46"



The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 403830 km

Phase Angle: +175°00'00"

#### The Helal shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top.

### Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):

**Saĕd Al- žãbeĥ:** This Mansion consists of two stars on the two Capricorn's horns: :  $\alpha$  Capricorni (Algedi) and  $\beta$  Capricorni (Dabih) which is the mean star of this Mansion. The Moon is located to the south of this star.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)

Horizontal Parallax: +00°54'14"

In the picture, the Moon path is shown with a green line, the Sun path with a yellow line, and the celestial equator with a purple color.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helãl, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac.



## THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Ĵomādā al- okrā 1439

## Ĵomãdā al-õlā Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the month of Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aĕlã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation equal, and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Ĵomãdā al-õlā was Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> Capricorn= 28<sup>th</sup> Dey 1396 = 18<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

Also, The last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of Ĵomãdā al-õlā was on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> Bahman 1396= 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018 = 28<sup>th</sup> Ĵomãdā al-õlā 1439, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise 28<sup>th</sup>, the Moon will enter in tahto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of Ĵomãdā al-õlā started at Sunrise on  $28^{th}$  (at 6:52 Makkah local time), with the beginning of the  $28^{th}$  night of Šaĕbãn and the Moon was in taȟto šoãĕ at least three days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of  $\hat{J}$ omãdā al-õlā will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Friday  $30^{th}$  at 18:19 local time of Makkah.Until this time, the Moon will be in tahto šoãe and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Żohr Thursday  $29^{th}$  Ĵomãdā al-õlā  $1439=15^{th}$  February  $2018=26^{th}$  Bahman 1396 at 12:35 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaĕh**).

According to the honorable Šariaĕh, the believer must strive to see the Helãl in the night of the 29<sup>th</sup> lunar month. If Helãl has not be observed, so the month has a thirtieth day and the new lunar month begins the day after.

## Moon ephemeris at Sunset on 29<sup>th</sup> Ĵomãdā al-õlā in local mean time of Makkah (KMT) Moonset: 18:02 KMT

Sunset: 18:18 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): ----«Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree):----

Elongation from Sun: 356°23'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 0°46'

Helãl Width: +00°00'00" Phase Angle: ----

Moon altitude: - 4°21'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 399644 km

Illumination: 0 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increasesby more than 7 percent)

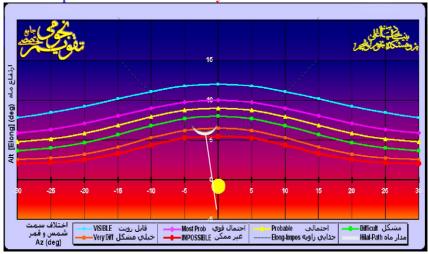
#### **Observation Results:**

According to the values mentioned above, at Sunset, the Moon will not appeare above the horizon and it will not be possible to see it.

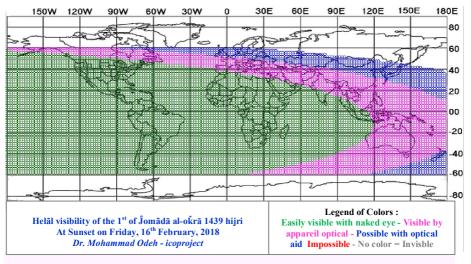
## Position of the Helal in the evening of 30<sup>th</sup> Ĵomada al-ola

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the Red line and it was possible to see it.

The Helãl position at Sunset on Friday 30th Ĵomãdā al-õlā 1439 in Makkah



The below graph shows the Helãl visibility on Friday evening. In some Islamic countries and continents (South and South West of Asia, Africa, America, South of Europe), the Helãl will be visible.



### Position of the Helãl Friday evening in the eight Heavens

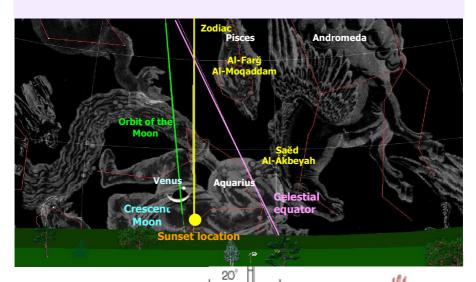
The eight Heavens	Topocei	ntric Obs	ervation	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset		Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun
	The begining of conjunction Wednesday	The middle ofconjunction Thursday	The end of conjunction Friday				Elongation		
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	6:52	12:35	18:18	18:19	18:54	0:35'	7°41'	6°49'	2°11'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	6:56	12:36	18:16	18:17	18:52	0:35'	7°41'	6°39'	2°38'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	6:46	12:17	17:49	17:50	18:24	0:34'	7°29'	6°00'	3°40'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	6:48	12:18	17:49	17:50	18:25	0:35'	7°29'	6°03'	3°46'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	6:48	12:17	17:47	17:48	18:23	0:35'	7°28'	5°58'	3°52'
Samarra Sãmarrã Ğarīb	6:51	12:19	17:48	17:49	18:24	0:35'	7°29'	5°53'	3°59'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	6:21	11:46	17:12	17:13	17:46	0:33'	6°58'	5°19'	4°04'
<b>Al Qods</b> Bayt-oul-Maqdes	6:22	11:53	17:25	17:26	18:02	0:36'	7°46'	6°25'	3°44'

So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā 1439 will be on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Aquarius = 28<sup>th</sup> Bahman 1396 = 17<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

## Helãl sighting of the month of Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā 1439 in the night before the day of Saturday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the month of Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā: in the night before the day of Saturday, the Sun will set at 18:19 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 18:54. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 35 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah region, Islamic countries, African and American continents.

## The Helāl observation map in the first night of the month of Jomādāal-okrā 1439.



### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 27°25' Capricorn In Tropical sign: 27°54' Aquarius

Azimuth: 77°12'41"

Declination: -12°12'06"

In Sidereal sign: 05°07' Aquarius In Tropical sign: 06°30' Pisces

Tropical Mansion: Al-Farğ Al-moåakar

Latitude: -1°57'59" (southern) Moon Declination: -11°17'24" Moon Altitude: 06°48'50"

Moon Azimuth: 75°01'53"

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 395522 km

Phase Angle: +172°01'23" Elongation from Sun: 07°41' Helãl Width:+00°00'14" Illumination: 1 Percent



#### The Helal shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the sky.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

Saĕd Al-Åkbeyah: This Mansion consists of four stars on the left arm of Aquarius: one star in the center surrounded by three other stars. The star in the center is the index star of this Mansion namely Zeta Aquarii which called Saĕd Al-Åkbeyah. The position of the Moon is before the mansion of Saĕd Al-Åkbeyah and in the limit of it

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)

Horizontal Parallax: +00°55'20"

In the picture, the Moon path is shown with a green line, the Sun path with a yellow line, and the celestial equator with a purple color.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helãl, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac.

# THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Rajab 1439

## Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the blessed month of Raĵab

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aĕlã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā was Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> Aquarius= 28<sup>th</sup> Bahman 1396 = 17<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

Also, The last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of  $\hat{J}$ omādāal-okrā was on Thursday  $24^{th}$  Esfand  $1396=15^{th}$  Mars  $2018=27^{th}$   $\hat{J}$ omādāal-okrā 1439, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise  $27^{th}$ , the Moon will enter in tahto šoãe (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of  $\hat{J}$ omādāal-okrā started at Sunset on  $27^{th}$  (at 18:30 Makkah local time), with the beginning of the  $28^{th}$  night of  $\hat{J}$ omādāal-okrā and the Moon was in tahto šoãe at least three days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helâl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> at 18:31 local time of Makkah. Until this time, the Moon will be in taȟto šoãĕ and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Sunset Friday  $28^{th}$  Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā  $1439=16^{th}$  Mars  $2018=25^{th}$  Esfand 1396 at 18:30 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom (" ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterion of the Šariaĕh**).

## Moon at Sunset on 29<sup>th</sup> Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā in local mean time of Makkah (KMT)

Moonset: 18:55 KMT Sunset: 18:31 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): 24 minutes «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree): 6°00'

Elongation from Sun: 7°10'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 3°31'33"

Helãl Width: +00°00'14" Phase Angle: +176°27' Moon altitude: 6°30'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 388194 km

Illumination: 1 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

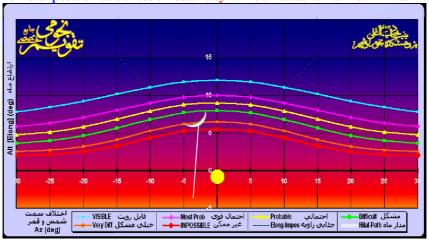
#### **Observation Results:**

Given the thinness of Helãl and its low altitude, his ocular observation will be possible in areas where geographical conditions are favorable. Otherwise, ocular observation of the Helãl will be more difficult. But if it is observed with the naked eye, the beginning of the month is effective and, in case of divergence, apply the instructions given by the Custodians of the Revelation Speech [20].

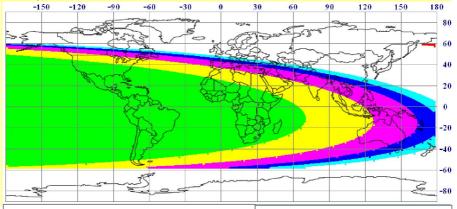
## Position of the Helãl in the evening of 29<sup>th</sup> Ĵomãdāal-oǩrā

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the Red line and it was possible to see it.

The Helãl position at Sunset on Saturday 29th Ĵomãdāal-okrā 1439 in Makkah



## **The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Saturday evening. In some Islamic countries and continents (South and South West of Asia, America, Africa), the Helãl is visible.



Helāl visibility of the 1<sup>st</sup> of the month of Raĵab 1439 hijri At Sunset on Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> Mars, 2018 Abu Hadi prg. Legend of Colors: Easily visible with naked eye -Visible by naked eye - Visible by appareil optical --Possible with optical Aid - Impossible even by telescope - Impossible - No color = Invisible

### Position of the Helãl Saturday evening in the eight Heavens

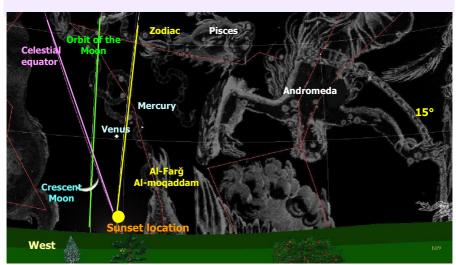
The eight Heavens	Topoce	ntric Obs	ervation		Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun
	The begining of conjunction Thursday	The middle ofconjunction Friday	The end of conjunction Saturday	Sunset					
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	18:30	18:30	18:30	18:31	18:55	0:24'	7°10'	6°30'	3°32'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	18:30	18:31	18:30	18:31	18:55	0:24'	7°10'	6°28'	3°35'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	18:10	18:11	18:11	18:12	18:32	0:20'	7°01'	5°44'	3°40'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	18:12	18:12	18:12	18:13	18:33	0:20'	7°02'	5°44'	3°40'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	18:10	18:11	18:11	18:12	18:32	0:20'	7°01'	5°37'	3°41'
<b>Samarra</b> Sãmarrã Ğarîb	18:12	18:13	18:13	18:14	18:33	0:19'	7°03'	5°32'	3°41'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	17:39	17:40	17:39	17:40	17:57	0:17'	6°31'	5°04'	3°33'
Al Qods Bayt-oul-Maqdes	17:47	17:48	17:47	17:48	18:10	0:22'	7°19'	6°08'	3°44'

So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of Raĵab 1439 is on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Pisces= 27<sup>th</sup> Esfand 1396 = 18<sup>th</sup> Mars 2018.

## Helal sighting of the month of Rajab 1439 in the night before the day of Sunday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helãl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helãl in the first night of the month of Raĵab: in the night before the day of Sunday, the Sun will set at 18:31 local mean time of Makkah and the Helãl at 18:55. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 24 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helãl will be visible in Makkah and some continents.

## The Helâl observation map in the first night of the month of Raĵab 1439.



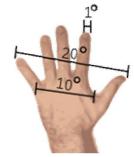
### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 26°31' Aquarius

In Tropical sign: 26°59' Pisces

Azimuth: 89°03'40"

Declination: -1°11'55"



In Sidereal sign: 26°44' Aquarius In Tropical sign: 28°09' Pisces

Tropical Mansion: Al-Batn Al-Ĥõt

Latitude: -3°32'10" (southern) Moon Declination: - 4°21'25" Moon Inclination: 5°09'00

Moon Altitude: 6°30' Moon Azimuth: 85°32'07"

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 388194 km

Phase Angle: +176°26'37"



"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the sky.

#### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

Farg Al- mogaddam: This Mansion is in front of the two stars in Pegasus constellation called Alpha Pegasi and Beta Pegasi. The Moon is located in the opposite site of this two stars in front of the first fish of the Pisces constellation.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric) Horizontal Parallax: +00°56'29"

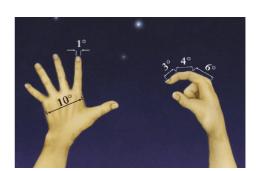
In the picture, the Moon path is shown with a green line and the Sun path with a vellow line.

The moon and the sun orbits junct in N. Node and S. Node. The celestial equator with a purple color.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helal, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac





# THE BEGINNING OF THE MONTH OF Šaěbān 1439

## Raĵab Waning (old) Crescent and the Helãl of the blessed month of Šaĕbãn.

As stated in the calendar of Ĥayãt-aĕlã Foundation, extracted according to the effective directives inherited from the Discourse of the Custodians of the Revelation (and whose accuracy has been checked with the observation of the Last Quarter, the Moonlight nights, and the Waning (old) Crescent, the beginning of the month of Raĵab was Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Pisces = 27<sup>th</sup> Esfand 1396 = 18<sup>th</sup> Mars 2018.

Also, The last opportunity to see the Waning (old) Crescent of Raĵab was on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> Farwardin 1397 = 14<sup>th</sup> April 2018 = 28<sup>th</sup> Raĵab 1439, between astronomical Twilight and Sunrise ("bainol-toloĕain" in arabic), given that on Sunrise 28<sup>th</sup>, the Moon will enter in taȟto šoãĕ (i.e the Moon will be under the radiance of sunlight and does not reflect any light).

The interlunar days of the month of Raĵab started at Sunrise on 28<sup>th</sup> (at 6:03 Makkah local time and the Moon was in taȟto šoãĕ about three days.

When the Moon comes out of this conjunction phase, the Helãl of the new month can be observed.

The Moon of Raĵab will come out of this conjunction phase at Sunset on Monday  $30^{th}$  at 18:40 local time of Makkah. Until this time, the Moon will be in taȟto šoãĕ and it will not be possible to see the Helãl before.

The middle of the conjunction (the point between the beginning and the end of the conjunction), according to the Topocentric librations (observing the Moon from the Earth's surface), will occur on Żohr Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> Raĵab 1439= 15<sup>th</sup> April 2018 = 26<sup>th</sup> Farwardin 1397 at 12:21 local time of Makkah (= GMT+3).

(This time have been established according to the Ancient Astronomy method, the rules of the custom ("ĕorf" in arabic) and the Šariaĕh. However, it happens that what is announced under the same title in Ancient Astronomy differs that what is announced in New Astronomy. Indeed here, in New Astronomy the criterion for the speed of the Moon is the calculation using the average speed of the Moon and not the **observation which is the criterionof the Šariaĕh**).

According to the honorable Šariaěh, the believer must strive to see the Helãl in the night of the 29<sup>th</sup> lunar month. If Helãl has not be observed, so the month has a thirtieth day and the new lunar month begins the day after.

## $Moon \ at \ Sunset \ on \\ 29^{th} \ Ra\hat{\jmath}ab \ in \ local \ mean \ time \ of \ Makkah \ (KMT)$

Moonset: 18:11 KMT Sunset: 18:40 KMT

Moon lag time (between Sunset and Moonset): --- «Boĕd moĕaddel » (every 4 minutes that the Moon is visible

in the sky after Sunset = one degree): ---

Elongation from Sun: 353°36'

Azimuth difference between Moon and Sun: 4°39'

Helãl Width: +00°00'0" Phase Angle: ---

Moon altitude: -7°15'

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 380017 km

Illumination: 0 Percent

(Each day and night, illumination of the Moon increases by more than 7 percent)

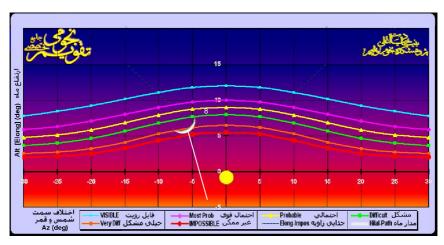
#### **Observation Results:**

Given the thinness of Helãl and its low altitude, the Helãl will not appeare above the horizon and it will not possible to see it.

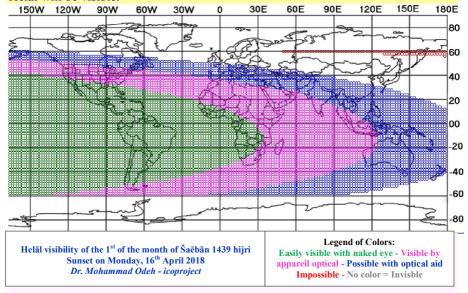
## Position of the Helal in the evening of 30<sup>th</sup> Rajab

The figure below shows that, at the time of Sunset, the crescent Moon was above the red line and it was possible to see it.

### The Helãl position at Sunset on Monday 30th Raĵab 1439 in Makkah



## **The below map** shows the Helãl visibility on Monday evening. In some Islamic countries and continents (South of Asia, America, Africa), the Helãl will be visible.



Position of the Helãl Monday evening in the eight Heavens

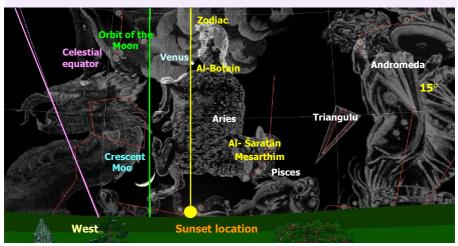
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The eight Heavens	Topocentric Observation					o		e	Sun
	The begining of conjunction Saturday	The middle ofconjunction Sunday	The end of conjunction Monday	Sunset	Moonset	Moon Lag Time after sunset	Elongation	Moon's Altitude at sunset	Azimuth difference between Moon and Su
<b>Makkah</b> Makkah Mokarramah	6:03	12:21	18:39	18:40	19:09	0:29'	7°10'	6°10'	5°05'
<b>Medine</b> Madinah Munawwarah	6:01	12:22	18:43	18:44	19:12	0:28'	7°13'	5°49'	5°28'
<b>Najaf</b> Naĵaf Ašraf	5:35	12:03	18:31	18:32	18:58	0:26'	7°07'	5°00'	6°20'
<b>Karbala</b> Karbalã Moĕlã	5:36	12:04	18:33	18:34	19:00	0:26'	7°08'	4°55'	6°24'
<b>Kãżemain</b> Kãżemain Šarifain	5:34	12:03	18:33	18:34	18:59	0:25'	7°09'	4°45'	6°29'
<b>Samarra</b> Sãmarrã Ğarīb	5:35	12:05	18:36	18:37	19:02	0:25'	7°10'	4°38'	6°35'
<b>Mashhad</b> Mašhad Moqaddas	5:00	11:32	18:05	18:06	18:28	0:22'	6°38'	3°57'	6°38'
<b>Al Qods</b> Bayt-oul-Maqdes	5:12	11:39	18:08	18:09	18:36	0:27'	7°27'	5°10'	6°23'

So enšã Allah, the first day of the month of Šaěbãn 1439 will be Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>
Aries = 28<sup>th</sup> Farwardin 1397 = 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018.

## Helal sighting of the month of Šaeban 1439 in the night before the day of Tuesday.

Since it is recommended to try to see the Helâl and recite the invocations in relation with, it's good to know the position of the Helâl in the first night of the month of Šačbān: in the night before the day of Tuesday, the Sun will set at 18:40 local mean time of Makkah and the Helâl at 19:09. That's mean that the Moon will be above the horizon for 29 minutes after Sunset. So, at Sunset, if the weather is clear, the Helâl will be visible in Makkah and all the continents.

## The Helâl observation map in the first night of the month of Šaĕbān 1439.

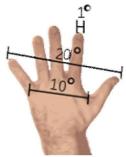


### The position of the Sun:

In Sidereal sign: 26°07' Pisces In Tropical sign: 26°36' Aries

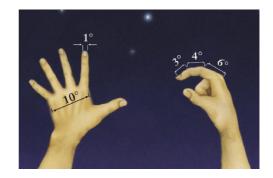
Azimuth: 101°19'12"

Declination: 10°15'22"



In Sidereal sign: 2°30' Aries In Tropical sign: 5°56' Taurus Tropical Mansion: Al- çorayyã

Latitude: -04°59'36" (southern) Moon Declination: 07°48'04" Moon Azimuth: 96°13'54"



Phase Angle: +171°51'56"

The distance of the Moon from the Earth: 374783 km Relative Azimuth between the moon and the sun: 5°05'18"

Elongation from Sun: 7°10' Moon Altitude: 6°10' Illumination: 1 Percent Helãl Width: 0°00'14"

#### The Helal shape (Crescent orientation):

"Deviant" or oblique, i.e. both sides of the crescent Moon towards the top and the left side.

### **Sidereal Mansions (Conjunction of Moon and Mansions):**

**Al-Šaratān:** This Mansion consists of three stars located on the two horns of Aries. The stars of this mansion are Gamma 2 Arietis called Mesarthim, Beta Arietis called Al-Šaratān and Alpha Arietis called Hamal. Al-Šaratān is the first star at the horizon rising that is the index star of this mansion.

The position of the observer: Earth's surface (Topocentric)
Horizontal Parallax: +00°58'24"

In the picture, the Moon path is shown with a green line and the Sun path with a yellow line. The moon and the sun orbits junct in N. Node and S. Node. The celestial equator with a purple color. The junction of the celestial equator and the Zodiac is vernal and autumnal equinox.

According to the pictures above: with using one hand it is possible to determine the position of the Helãl, the stars and the virtual objects. For the measure of the angles, the hand has to be well open.

The azimuth is measured from the south, the declination from the celestial equator and the latitude from the Zodiac

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