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CLARIFICATION TO THE PUBLIC REGARDING OBSERVATION OF EID AL FITR AS A PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Uganda Muslim Supreme Council (UMSC) wrote to us regarding celebration of Eid al Fitr which they were expecting to fall either on Friday 21st April 2023 or Saturday 22nd April 2023 subject to sighting the moon by Saudi Arabian Authorities, which is expected by 5pm today.

Eid al Fitr falls either on the 29th day of fasting during Ramadhan or after fasting 30 days, implying that should the moon not be sighted on the 29th day, Eid al Fitr automatically falls on the next day, in this case 22nd April 2023.

The guidance therefore is to wait for the confirmation from Uganda Muslim Supreme Council by 5pm today after which the announcement can be made. If not confirmed today, the Eid al Fitr day will be celebrated on Saturday 22nd April 2023 as a Public Holiday.

In essence communication is only issued after the UMSC confirmation.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Catherine Bitarakwate'.

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