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INFORMATION UPDATE

FROM THE BOARD OF MALEK FAHD ISLAMIC SCHOOL

Assalamualiakum

Friday 3 November 2017

This is to keep you informed of progress in our NSW Supreme Court action against the Australian Federation of Islamic Councils (AFIC).

You may recall from an earlier Board *Update* (20 October) that we expected the trial to begin on Monday 6 November and that 12 days had been set aside for it.

Since then, lawyers for us and for AFIC have been communicating and exchanging correspondence ahead of the trial. There was on Wednesday this week a directions hearing before Supreme Court Justice Ball, who will hear the trial.

At this preliminary hearing it was agreed by Justice Ball and counsel for both sides that it was unlikely the case would now need all of the 12 days scheduled.

Consequently, the Court ordered that the trial begin next Wednesday (8 November). This also will enable lawyers to finalise documentation.

I am pleased to again confirm that we are well prepared for the trial and will be well represented in this important action.

Within the extent to which we are allowed, we will keep you up to date with developments during the trial.

Jazakallah Khairan for your ongoing support.

Wassalam

DR JOHN BENNETT

Chair