



Dear Brother/Sister,

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatu-Allahi Wa Barakatuh,

I pray to Allah the almighty that you are well and in good spirit.

On Tuesday August 9th, the Australian Bureau of statistics will conduct the largest ever national census in the organisation's more than 100 year history.

The Australian National Imams Council advises Muslims in Australia to complete the census.

The census results showing the number of Muslims contributing to a healthy, diverse, and culturally rich Australia, is a positive for all of Australians.

We also recommend that you indicate that your religion is Islam.

We have to be aware of the purpose of the census, which is to do good for Australia.

The results of the census influence decisions at many levels. These decisions, in turn, impact the services provided to communities based on their needs. The census results are taken into consideration when decisions made to allocate funds to schools, building projects, infrastructure, and research.

As Australian Muslims, we should aim to benefit Australia and Australian community as much as it possible to do so as part of our ongoing positive contribution to the Australian society and nation.

Completing this census is one small example of that contribution.

Thank You,

Imam Shady Alsuleiman

President of the Australian National Imams Council

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