## Establishing Masjids (mosques) in places where Muslims are not expected to occupy indefinitely

First and second questions from Fatwa No. 11967

Q 1: Is it permissible to build a Masjid or convert a building into a Masjid in an area or town which is expected to be abandoned in the future? In America, Muslims build a Masjid in a certain area to offer Salah (Prayer) in it. They return home after graduation and the Masjid becomes totally abandoned.

A: It is permissible to do this as it serves the public interest of Muslims, helps them practice the rites of Islam and may lead other non-Muslims living in these areas to embrace Islam. May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family and Companions!

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