

## The Ruling on Declaring Hijrah (Migration) Without an Iqaamah

*Question posed and translated  
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*This question was posed to the Noble Shaikh Saalih As'Suhaimi (رحمته الله) in regards to the matter of Hijrah on the date of 21-Dhul-Hijjah-1426 and The Noble Sheikh's response was as follows:*

**Q.** *When a Muslim declares Hijrah and travels to a Muslim land, but that land does not grant the individual Iqaamah (legal residency) to reside in that land, is his Hijrah deemed as being correct or incorrect?*

**A.** *And for further clarification the Shaikh asked "Do you mean being in a country with correct papers (Iqaamah)?" Then he went on to say, "How can this be, without the permission of the government of that country. A person should not put himself in harms way.*

*And for further clarification the questioner gives an example to the Shaikh; he said, "for instance, an individual comes to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia and is staying without an Iqaamah."*

**A.** *The Shaikh said, "This is a mistake on the persons behalf and he/she must return back to his/her own country and then return with the correct documentation."*