

'Abd al-'Azīz Ar-Rājihī on Political Demonstrations

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**Question:** What is your opinion of those who say political demonstrations are allowable in order to pressure the leaders or governments?

**Answer:** These demonstrations are not from the actions of Muslims. They are foreign (to Islam) and were never known except by way of the western countries of disbelief.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>2</sup> This fatwā was taken from a book called "al-Fatāwā al-Shar'iyyah fī al-Qadhāyā Al-'Asriyyah," a collection of various rulings by Muhammad Ibn Fahd al-Ḥusayn.

<sup>3</sup> Taken from the magazine: Safīnah al-Najāh (no. 2, January 1997).