

Egypt Closes 27,000 Mosques

How many should be closed in the US...in Britain...in France...[neighborhood places of worship](#) of less than 80 square meters (861 square feet), a move intended to protect young people from the militancy and extremism that can prevail in such places, which lack the legal standing to hold Friday prayers.

This move sets a precedent that raises many questions about the [80 square meters](#). In reply, opponents of the decision such as the [mosques are time bombs](#) that threaten national security, as they fall outside the purview of the Ministry of Religious Endowments and are used to spread subversive ideologies.

At the same time, the ministry has [oration tests](#), despite the ministry's previous and constant [Muslim Brotherhood](#),