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Is exiting through Bab al-Wadaa' obligatory for the one who has bid farewell (by doing the farewell tawaf)? Is entering through Bab al-Salam obligatory?.

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

It is not obligatory for the one who has bid farewell to exit through the gate mentioned, Bab al-Wadaa'; and it is not obligatory for the one who is coming to enter through Bab al-Salam.

And Allah is the source of strength. May Allah send blessings and peace upon our Prophet Muhammad and his family and companions. End quote.

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