12561 - His job is in one country and his home is in another. Where does he avail himself of dispensations (in prayer etc.)?

the question

There is a pilot whose job is based in Saudi Arabia and he has iqaamah (residence permit) there, but he has a home in another country where his wife and children live, and he travels to visit them from time to time. How should he pray when he is there?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

To be on the safe side, he should not avail himself of the dispensations allowed to travellers, either in Saudi Arabia or in his own country. It is as if he has two homes, so we say to him, do not avail yourself of the dispensations either in your place of work or in the place where your family live.