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Q: We started in issuing a magazine for Muslim children entitled "Arwa", a copy of which is attached to this letter. However, a reliable and trustworthy shykh opposed the magazine's portraits in spite of the fact that we avoid making portraits of the Prophets (peace be upon them) and the Sahabah (Companions of the Prophet) (may Allah be pleased with them all). We send you this letter asking for your Fatwa in this regard and hoping that you send us an instant reply.

A: Portraying animate beings is absolutely prohibited even if

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they are not portraits of the Prophets (peace be upon them) or the Sahabah (may Allah be pleased with them all). Taking these portraits as an element of excitement and illustration does not justify its permissibility.

May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family and Companions!

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