

Fatwa no. 6880

Q: I am in business selling cars. Upon concluding the contract, I mention the following: I sold this car to so and so for 200.000 Riyals. Some of this amount will be paid upon signing the contract and the remaining amount will be paid in fixed monthly installments. In the contract, I stipulate that the buyer should work for me and I will provide him with such work as I am the contractor for some governmental bodies. I stipulate that he shall work for me until the installments of the car are paid or its full value is paid as long as my contract with the governmental bodies is in effect. I have some doubts about this kind of dealing, specifically, that I stipulate that the purchaser works for me. Could you kindly quide me in this regard? May Allah guide you!

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If this way is not correct, what should I do with regard to the contracts that I have already concluded?

A: In the sale contract you have stipulated another contract; leasing and this completely cancels the contract. The evidence that this contract is null and void is based onwhat was related by Abu Dawud and Al-Tirmidhy who graded it as good Hadith on the authority of `Abdullah ibn `Umar (may Allah be pleased with them both) that the Prophet (peace be upon him) said: (A loan and a sale are not lawful (together), or two conditions in a sale, or to sell what you do not have.)Accordingly, you should be careful not to do this in the future. As for the past, we hope that Allah (may He be Exalted) will pardon you for your ignorance of the ruling. Allah (may He be Glorified and Exalted) says: (So whosoever receives an admonition from his Lord and stops eating Ribâ (usury) shall not be punished for the past; his case is for Allâh (to judge)

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

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