



Fatwa no. 16249

Q: I own a services office and I used to bring female housekeepers whether Muslims or non-Muslims according to the request of the sponsor. My role is to mediate between the sponsor and the overseas offices in return for a sum of money. Many workers come without Mahram (spouse or unmarriageable relative). Her sponsor receives her at the airport and I have no connection with anything except informing the sponsor of this. What is the ruling on this work? May Allah reward you well!

A: Bringing disbelievers to the Arabian Peninsula and bringing women whether Muslims or non-Muslims without Mahram is prohibited. Doing so causes harm to Muslims and exposes the entire community to many dangers. Therefore, it is not permissible

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to bring those you have mentioned to our land. Moreover, the money you gain from this work is unlawful. You must repent to Allah and abandon such work for another that is lawful. Allah states: ﴿ And whosoever fears Allâh and keeps his duty to Him, He will make a way for him to get out (from every difficulty). ﴾ And He will provide him from (sources) he never could imagine. And whosoever puts his trust in Allâh, then He will suffice him. ﴾ May Allah grant us success! May peace and blessings be upon our Prophet Muhammad, his family, and Companions!

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