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The first question of Fatwa no. 2296

Q 1: What is the ruling on taking photographs for the whole family and others for the sake of remembrance and amusement only?

A: Photographing living beings is prohibited and one of the major sins whether a photographer considers it to be their job or not and whether it is a drawing, photograph or sculpture. Keeping these photographs, pictures or sculptures for remembrance or any other purpose will not change its ruling as there are many Hadiths reported in this regard. These Hadiths are general for all kinds of Taswir (drawing, photographing and sculpturing). Nothing is exempted from this ruling except what is necessarily required.

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

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