The second question of Fatwa no. 5940

Q 2: What is the Islamic ruling on Sunni Talaq (divorce done in accordance to Sunnah) and Bida`i Talaq (divorce done without accordance to Sunnah)?

A: A Sunni Talaq is one pronouncement of Talaq made when a wife is pregnant or during a period of Taharah (ritual purity) in which no sexual intercourse has taken place. In contrast, a Bid'i Talaq consists of three pronouncements of Talaq given in one word (ex: "I divorce you thrice."), or several words (ex: "You are divorced, you are divorced, you are divorced."), or one pronouncement or more made while the wife is menstruating, in her postpartum period, or in a period of Taharah during which sexual intercourse has occurred.

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

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