

Fatwa no. 872

Q: A man argued with his wife before the marriage was consummated. He dismissed her from his house, saying, "Go to your family," with the intention of divorcing her. Now, he wants to revoke Talaq (divorce pronounced by a husband). When he was asked whether he intended Talaq, he replied that he intended one pronouncement of Talaq. When he was asked why she was in his house since the marriage had not been consummated, he said that she went to his house asking for gold; otherwise she would not agree to consummate the marriage.

A: What the husband said to his wife counts as a single Talaq. As the husband did not consummate the marriage nor did he sit in Khulawh (being alone with a member of the opposite sex) with her, she would only become lawful for him with a new marriage contract and Mahr (mandatory gift to a bride from her groom) along with her consent to marry him.

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

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