



The first question of Fatwa no. 3552

Q 1: In Algeria, we buy chickens according to weight, whether they are alive or slaughtered without removing the intestines. Is this permissible? The same applies to sheep, especially Ud-hiyah (sacrificial animal offered by non-pilgrims) as the farms

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sell the sheep by weight. Is this Ud-hiyah Halal (lawful)? If not, would you please tell me the reason why? Does the prohibition apply to the Ud-hiyah only or to every living sheep bought according to its weight?

A: The basic principle is that transactions between Muslims are permissible except those which are forbidden by Shar'iah (Islamic law) by text. Hence, we know that it is permissible to buy chickens and sheep by weight, whether they are Ud-hiyah or not, and we know of no reason in Shari'ah that prohibits this practice.

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

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