



**The second question of Fatwa no. 7903**

**Q 2: What is the ruling on pictures found in newspapers and Islamic magazines? Is it permissible to possess and keep the photos taken as mementos without hanging them on the wall?**

**A:** It is not permissible to keep the photos taken as mementos, but they should be wiped out, for the Prophet (peace be upon him) said to `Aly (may Allah be pleased with him): [\(Spare no portrait unwiped out, and leave not a high grave unleveled.\)](#) (Related by Imam Muslim in his Sahih 'authentic' Book of Hadith). As for the pictures found in a book, a magazine, or a newspaper which you need

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to keep, you could just wipe out and deform them.

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

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