Fatwa no. 376

Q: I took the oath of divorce that I would inform someone about a particular matter. My intention was only to assure telling him. This person lives in another city and in order to inform him, I did the following: (i) I sent him a letter containing the information and made sure the letter was delivered. (ii) I went to see him at work but he was on vacation. (iii) I saw him once; however he was not in a position that would allow him to speak with me. (iv) I went to his workplace the same day and gave him the information.

Is the divorce effective or not?

A: If the reality is as you mentioned, that you told him the information whether through a letter or verbally, you have not broken your oath, since you did what you had sworn to do.

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

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