



Second question from 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 for memories without hanging them on the wall?

A: It is not permissible to keep the photos taken for memories, but they should be wiped out, for the Prophet (peace be upon him) said to `Aly (may Allah be pleased with him): [\(Spare no portrait unwiped out, and leave not a high grave unlevelled. \)](#) 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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