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**SIRAJ CASSIM WROTE**  
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ASALAAMS... I HAVE AN ISSUE WIT EATING CHICKEN AFTER ALL DATS BEEN SAID ON CARTE BLANCHE WE AS MUSLIMS ARE TO BE VERY CAREFULL ON THIS TOPIC COZ IT CREATES DOUBT IN ONES MIND, ONCE WE BECOME DOUBTFULL THEN WE SHOULD NOT CONSUME PRODUCTS WE DOUBT FOR THIS BECOMES HARAAM, SO I HUMBLBY REQUEST DAT WE START DOING SUMTHING ABOUT DA HALAAL AND HARAAM ISSUE..

### **REPLY**

WASSALAM...Alhamdulillah brother, thank you for your concern. May Allah Almighty save you and your family from all doubts.

I apologise for my lack of knowledge concerning what has been said about this issue because I did not follow up on this matter. My advice is that you should take up this matter with the Halaal Authorities for indeed their full focus and attention is on such cases.

### **MY PERSONAL OPINION:**

If any of the Halaal Authorities endorses an item, as a Muslim you are allowed to consume this stamped Halaal product. The reason this is, those who have been allocated this job are well aware of the punishment that they will face from Allah Almighty if they endorse a product as Halaal when it is Haraam. So the onus is on them to look into these matters before declaring them Halaal.

### **A Point To Be Noted**

There are many ***ignorant*** people who are not involved with the Halaal Authorities yet they want to cause ***Fitna*** (mischief) by spreading around information without evidence. They claim this is Halaal & that is Haraam. Its like me not a scientist wakes up today and claims the formula of water is not H2O but S5G, I'll be a mad man because science is not my field of expertise.

Alhamdulillah the Ulama (learned scholars) & those who are involved with them in the Halaal Authorities have taken the responsibility to be of assistance to the Muslims of South Africa And we must be grateful to them. They are ***Specialised*** in this field, **so let them do their piece of work**, because they will be liable in the sight of Allah and not you.

Eg: Me and Muhammad (both of us ***know nothing*** about Accounting). We start spreading Around news that Accountants don't know their jobs. And we should correct them.

WHAT AN IRONY! We aren't accountants ourselves but we want to argue with the accountants.

In the same way The Halaal Authorities who are ***specialist*** in this field are telling us something is Halaal, because they done the research on it, but the ***unspecialised*** want to still disagree. This is baseless and uncalled for, because the Halaal Authorities have taken the responsibility and if they violate this trust they Will pay for it in front of Allah.

**Why we *shouldn't* follow the *unspecialised*? & the benefits of following the *specialist*.**

### **ALLAH SAYS IN THE HOLY QURAN.**

*And If You Obey Most Of Those On The Earth, They Will Mislead You Far Away From Allah's Path. They Follow Nothing But Assumption (An Opinion), And They Do Nothing But Guess. (S:6,V:116)*

NOW YOU CAN CHOOSE FOLLOW MOST OF THE **UNSPECIALISED** OR FOLLOW THE **SPECIALISED**. What would be really funny is: if one day I have some problems with my heart, and a **UNSPECIALISED** man walks into the hospital and says: Haroon I heard from a few people and watched some television, read a bunch of books and I'm glad to let you know that **I'LL BE DOING YOUR HEART TRANSPLANT!!! ;-)**

### **Allah Also Mentions:**

*And Most Of Them Follow Nothing But Conjecture. Certainly, Conjecture Can Be Of No Avail Against The Truth. Surely Allah Is Cognizant Of What They Do. (S:10,36)*

*O You Who Believe! **Avoid MUCH Suspicion**; Indeed Some Suspicions Are Sins.(S:49,V12)*

*But They Have **No Knowledge** Thereof. They Follow But A Guess, And Verily, Guess Is No Substitute For The Truth.(S:53,28)*

### **I CONCLUDE BY SAYING:**

Let us not make things difficult for ourselves by creating suspicion and doubt in our minds after the Halaal Authorities have made it clear for us. They are responsible in the court of Allah if anything is Haraam and they endorsed it as Halaal.

If you still have doubts I suggest that you leave what you doubtful about for that you are not doubtful about. But don't prohibit others or make their live difficult because they don't have the doubt and they do rely on the Halaal Authorities and believe that Allah Almighty will hold them liable for any wrong doings.

For further information on your Halaal & Haraam Issues please contact the Halaal Authorities.

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*This is my personal opinion on this matter and I don't force any one to follow or to say it is the only correct opinion because no one is perfect. I ask Allah to guide me and accept my efforts and to forgive me for any short comings.*