

For an Agent to Charge his Company Extra

Question: Zaid is employed by a company to purchase goods from their supplier. However, after negotiating a price with the supplier and ordering the goods, he tells his company to pay a price higher than what he had been quoted. When the payment is made, he then tells the supplier to pay him the difference. Is this permissible? Is it also permissible for the supplier to enter into such an agreement with Zaid?

Answer: Zaid's practice is not permissible and the supplier will also be sinful for being a part of it, according to the verse: "Do not assist in sin and disobedience."

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