Q: 68 – Title: I covered my head for an hour while in ihraam, what do I have to do now?

Question

One of my friend is in makkah to perform hajj, in makkah he has performed umrah, after that he want to to do one more, he will go to masjid e isha make a neyat of umrah and forget to leave the cap, from masjid e isha to harm cap is on his head and after a hour he know about that and we put off it, please tell us about that and is there is a kaffara or dum or astagfar wajib on him?, please guide us, your urgent reply will be highly appriciated

Answer

In the Name of Allah, the Most Gracious, the Most Merciful.

As-salamu 'alaykum wa-rahmatullahi wa-barakatuh.

Since the covering (hat, cap, etc) was on the head for less than a day in the state of Ihraam, your friend will have to give Sadaqah equivalent to the amount of Sadaqat-ul-Fitr. The Sadaqah is due whether your friend covered his head forgetfully or on purpose.1

There is no damm (sacrifical animal) due in this case.2

And Allah knows best.

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