Question 1696) - When is the man's negation of the wife's child in effect?

A: When he negates immediately after the birth, or in the condition when congratulations are accepted on the birth, or when the goods for the birth are being bought; then his negation has an effect and they will perform Li'an. If he delays negating beyond that time then his negation of the child's lineage will not be accepted. This is according to Imaam Abu Hanifah SAW. According to Imaam Abu Yusuf RAH. and to Imaam Muhammed RAH. he can negate the lineage throughout the Nifas period.

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