

Q: 52 – Title: Last week I bought some Fish from Sainsburys, after getting it home and a few days later. I realised that it has the Jewish Star sign, therefore I know that the £4 I paid has gone to Israel to aid them...

### Question

I see and understand all the conflicts going on between the Muslims and non-Muslims, so I decided to boycott companies and individuals who support these conflicts.

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I tried getting it replaced/exchanged/refunded as I still had a receipt and nothing was wrong with it. But had no luck so far because it's a chilled product. I'm still in the process of sorting this.

As far as I know all the ingredients inside are halal.

1. If all else fails, would I be allowed to eat this or would it be haram for me, as I cannot give it back or get my money back and I know that my money will be used in conflicts.
2. We have to pay Taxes here - this money is also used in these conflicts but we have to pay so what does Islam say about this?

### Answer

**In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful**

**Assalamu 'alaykum wa Rahmatullahi Wabarakatuh**

1) If there is no contamination of any Haraam substances added to the fish, the fish will be Halaal and suitable to consume. The mere fact that a company supports a particular issue will not render the products of that company to be Haraam

2) A Muslim living in a Non-Muslim country should comply and adhere to all the rules and regulations laid down by that country on condition such rules are not unislamic. It does not befit a Muslim to merely live in a Non-Muslim country, make use of all the facilities it provides and then refuse to pay the taxes due on him. In our opinion, reasonable taxes due to the state are a legitimate charge and should be paid. Thereafter, if the state uses a portion of these taxes to aid certain conflicts, it is beyond his control and he will not fall in the ambit of assisting in sin.

**And Allah Ta'ala Knows Best**

**Wassalamu 'alaykum**

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