

Moroccan Arabic transcript:

ي: الدين، الدين من حيث الدولة تتمشي مع الدين، مع الشريعة، مع الاسلام واحد ما خصوش ينتقدها من حيث هنا، من حيث في المغرب كاين الدين المنفتح آآ مقارنة مع الدول الاخرى آآ منفتح انك كتشوفي ان ال، راه هدرت عليها كاينة المدونة ديال الاسرة، حقوق المرأة، لمرأا يمكن تلبس الحجاب كيف ما تلبس الحجاب و كاين شي حوايج ألي ما خصش يمسو من الطقوس ديالها بحال آآ مغربية مسلمة خارجة في رمضان و كتاكل، ذيك الساعة اه عندها المشكلة ولا عنده مشكل هذا السيد هذا. ولا الواحد يجي يحاول ينصر، تنصير... هذا آآ هذا مس بالطقوس الدينية و هذا آآ كيخصو عقوبة، عقوبة ديال سجنية ولا غرامة مالية آآ هذا الشي ألي كاين

English translation:

Y: As for the religion, the country goes by the laws of Islam – by the Sharia Law, and so no one should criticize it [Islam]. In Morocco, our religion is open compared to other countries. It is open in terms of, as I already talked about earlier, the Family Bill, women's rights, and the women who wear or do not wear the *hijab* [Islamic headscarf] are the same. But there are instances when no one should question its [Islam's] customs. For example, if a Moroccan walks on the streets eating during Ramadan, well, then she or he has a problem. Or someone comes to try to make someone Christian – converting people to Christianity, this violates the religious customs and the person would be sentenced to imprisonment or a fine. This is what I think!

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