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Question: What is the ruling regarding a person who kissed his wife during the month of Ramaḍān, in the state of fasting? Will he have to compensate for it by making Qaḍā or by giving Kaffārah? (In this context, kissing refers to a *French kiss* i.e. the tongue of the one spouse extends into the mouth of the other spouse. Generally, an exchange of saliva takes place and in most cases one swallows the next person's saliva.)

Answer: If such passionate embraces causes seminal fluid to be discharged, then it would be compulsory to make Qaḍā. On the other hand, if someone else's saliva was swallowed, irrespective of whether seminal fluids were discharged or not, the person will have to make Qaḍā as well as give Kaffārah. However, if no seminal fluids were discharged and neither was any saliva swallowed, then it will not be necessary to make Qaḍā nor to give Kaffārah. Nonetheless, one should bear in mind that it is Makrūh (reprehensible) to perpetrate such actions in the holy month of Ramaḍān in the state of fasting.

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And Allah knows best

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