



Venezuela

Introduction

1. The Venezuela (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/135) were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 (the Sanctions Act) and provide for the freezing of funds and economic resources of certain persons, entities or bodies involved in a serious human rights violation or abuse in Venezuela, the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Venezuela or other actions, policies or activities which undermine democracy or the rule of law in Venezuela.
2. On 4 February 2022 the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office updated the UK Sanctions List on GOV.UK. This list provides details of those designated under regulations made under the Sanctions Act. A link to the UK Sanctions List can be found below.
3. Following the publication of the UK Sanctions List, information on the Consolidated List has been updated.

Notice summary

4. The following entry has been amended and is still subject to an asset freeze:
 - Elvis Eduardo AMOROSO (Group ID: 13844)

What you must do

You must:

- i. check whether you maintain any accounts or hold any funds or economic resources for the persons set out in the Annex to this Notice;
 - ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources and any funds which are owned or controlled by persons set out in the Annex to the Notice
 - iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available (directly or indirectly) to such persons unless licensed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI);
 - iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with the Regulations;
 - v. provide any information concerning the frozen assets of designated persons that OFSI may request. Information reported to OFSI may be passed on to other regulatory authorities or law enforcement.
5. Where a relevant institution has already reported details of accounts, other funds or economic resources held frozen for designated persons, they are not required to report these details again.
6. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Further Information

7. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Venezuela financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases>
8. The Consolidated List can be found here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets>
9. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list>

10. For more information please see our guide to financial sanctions:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-financial-sanctions-guidance>

11. Further details on changes relating to the new format of the consolidated list can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-sanctions-list-change-in-format/uk-sanctions-list-change-to-the-lists-format>

Enquiries

12. Non-media enquiries about the implementation of financial sanctions in the UK should be addressed to:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation
HM Treasury
1 Horse Guards Road
London
SW1A 2HQ
ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk

13. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to:
sanctions@fcdo.gov.uk

14. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.

15. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: VENEZUELA

THE VENEZUELA (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/135)

AMENDMENT

Deleted information appears in strikethrough. Additional information appears in italics and is underlined.

Individual

1. AMOROSO, Elvis Eduardo

DOB: 04/08/1963. **POB:** Caracas, Venezuela a.k.a: HIDROBO AMOROSO, Elvis, Eduardo
Nationality: Venezuelan **National Identification no:** V-7659695 **Address:** Venezuela.
Position: (1) Comptroller General and President of Venezuela's Moral Council (2) Former Vice President of the National Constituent Assembly **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0029 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): ~~Amoroso has repeatedly undermined democracy in Venezuela, undermined the rule of law and violating the right to freedom of speech. His very appointment as Comptroller General and his role in setting up the ANC amount to a serious undermining of the democratic process, constitution, and democratic institutions in Venezuela. Additionally, while Second Vice President of the ANC, he contributed to the political persecution of Freddy Guevara and Juan Pablo Guanipa, further undermining democracy. Former First and Second Vice-President of the non-recognised National Constituent Assembly (ANC). Lead the non-recognised ANC, signing the 'law against hatred', justifying the removal of a legally-elected opposition governor and banning Juan Guaido from running for any public office.~~ (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 30/06/2020 **Last Updated:** ~~02/02/2022~~ 04/02/2022 **Group ID:** 13844.

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