

GENERAL LICENCE: Gazprombank Energy Payments

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1. This licence is granted under regulation 64 of The Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 ("the Russia Regulations").
2. Any act which would otherwise breach the prohibitions in Regulations 11 - 17A of the Russia Regulations is exempt from those prohibitions to the extent required to give effect to the permissions in this licence.
3. In this licence:

" Gazprombank " means	Gazprombank
" Subsidiary " means	Any entity owned or controlled by Gazprombank
" Gas " means	any thing which falls within the UK commodity code 2711
a " Person " means	An individual, a body of persons corporate or unincorporate
a " Relevant Institution " means	<p>A person that has permission under Part 4A of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000(3) (permission to carry on regulated activity).</p> <p>A person that is authorised or registered under Part 2 of the Payment Services Regulations (SI 2017/752).</p> <p>A person that is authorised or registered under Part 2 of the Electronic Money Regulations (SI 2011/99). A person that is a "recognised clearing house", "third country central counterparty", "recognised CSD" or "third country CSD" for the purposes of s.285 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000.</p> <p>A person that is an operator of a recognised payment system (or that is a service provider in relation to recognised payment systems) for the purposes of Part 5 of the Banking Act 2009.</p>

4. For the purposes of paragraph 3, whether or not a thing "falls within" the "commodity code" specified in that paragraph is to be determined in accordance with paragraph 1 in Part 1 of Schedule 3 to the Russia Regulations.

Permissions

5. A Person may continue to make payments to Gazprombank or a Subsidiary under a contract entered into prior to the date of this licence for the purpose of making Gas available for use in the European Union and a Person, Relevant Institution, or Gazprombank, or a Subsidiary can carry out any activity reasonably necessary to effect this including the opening and closing of bank accounts.

Record-keeping Requirements

6. A Person making a payment under this licence must keep accurate, complete and readable records, on paper or electronically, of any activity purporting to have been permitted under this licence for a minimum of 6 years.

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7. The permissions in this licence do not authorise any act which the person carrying out the act knows, or has reasonable grounds for suspecting, will result in funds or economic resources being dealt with or made available in breach of the Russia Regulations save as permitted under this or other licences granted under the Russia Regulations.
8. Information provided to HM Treasury in connection with this licence shall be disclosed to third parties only in compliance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018.
9. This licence takes effect from 21 April 2022 and expires on 31 May 2022.
10. HM Treasury may vary, revoke or suspend this licence at any time.

Signed:



Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation

HM Treasury

21 April 2022.
