Financial Sanctions Notice

01/06/2020

Syria

Introduction

1. Council Regulation (EU) 36/2012 (“the Regulation”) imposing financial sanctions against Syria has been amended so that an asset freeze no longer applies to the persons listed in the Annex to this Notice.

2. Identifying information for the individuals listed in the Annex to this Notice has been amended.

Notice summary (Full details are provided in the Annex to this Notice)

3. The following entries have been removed from the consolidated list and are no longer subject to an asset freeze.

   - Maen Rizk Allah HAYKAL (Group ID: 13762)
   - Jamea JAMEA (Group ID: 12043)
   - Hayan KADDOUR (Group ID: 13761)
   - DEVELOPERS PRIVATE JOINT STOCK COMPANY (Group ID: 13768)

4. The following entry has been amended and is still subject to an asset freeze:

   - Qasem SOLEIMANI (Group ID: 9062)

5. SOLEIMANI has been removed from the Syria regime, however, he remains listed under the Iran (Nuclear Proliferation) and Terrorism and Terrorist Financing regimes and continues to be subject to an asset freeze.
What you must do

6. 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;
   
   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 Regulation;
   
   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.

7. 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.

8. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Legislative details


Further Information

11. A copy of the Amending Regulation can be obtained from the website of the Official Journal of the European Union:
12. Copies of recent Notices, certain EU Regulations, and UK legislation can be obtained from the Syria financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:


13. Please note there are also import and export restrictions on Syria. Further guidance on export and trade sanctions is available from the GOV.UK website: https://www.gov.uk/sanctions-embargoes-and-restrictions.

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


Enquiries

15. Non-media enquiries, reports and licence applications should be addressed to:

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

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

17. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.
ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: SYRIA
COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2020/716
AMENDING ANNEX II TO COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) 36/2012

DELISTINGS

Individuals

1. HAYKAL, Maen Rizk Allah
   a.k.a: RIZKALLAH, Heikal, Bin
   Nationality: Syrian
   Position: Secondary Shareholder of Exceed Development and Investment Company
   Other Information: Leading businessperson operating in Syria, who holds a 33 % stake in Exceed Development and Investment, which has entered into a USD 17,7 million joint venture for the construction of Marota City, a regime-backed luxury residential and commercial development. Through the participation in the Marota City development, Maen Rizk Allah Haykal benefits from and/or supports the Syrian regime. Listed on: 22/01/2019 Last Updated: 22/01/2019 01/06/2020 Group ID: 13762.

2. JAMEA, Jamea
   Title: Brigadier-General
   a.k.a: (1) JAME‘, Jame‘ (2) JAMI, Jami (3) JAMI‘, Jamil
   Position: Branch Chief for Syrian Military Intelligence (SMI) in Dayr az-Zor.
   Listed on: 24/08/2011 Last Updated: 31/05/2013 01/06/2020 Group ID: 12043.

3. KADDOUR, Hayan
   DOB: (1) 14/07/1970. (2) 24/07/1970. POB: Damascus, Syria
   a.k.a: (1) NAZEM, Hayyan, Kaddour, bin, Mohammed
   (2) QADDOUR, Hayan, Mohammad, Nazem
   Nationality: (1) Syrian (2) Swiss
   Passport Details: X4662433 (place of issue: Switzerland), N 004599905 (place of issue: Syrian Arab Republic)
   Position: Primary Shareholder of Exceed Development and Investment Company
   Other Information: Leading businessperson operating in Syria, who holds a 67 % stake in Exceed Development and Investment, which has entered into a USD 17,7 million joint venture for the construction of Marota City, a regime-backed luxury residential and commercial development. Through his participation in the Marota City development, Hayan Mohammad Nazem Qaddour benefits from and/or supports the Syrian regime. Listed on: 22/01/2019 Last Updated: 22/01/2019 01/06/2020 Group ID: 13761.

Entity

1. DEVELOPERS PRIVATE JOINT STOCK COMPANY
   a.k.a: Developers Private JSC
   Address: Damascus, Syria.
   Other Information: Developers Private Joint Stock Company is a USD 17,7 million joint venture between Damascus Cham Holdings and Exceed Development and Investment. Through its participation in the regime-backed luxury development Marota City, Developers Private Joint Stock Company supports and/or benefits from the Syrian regime. Listed on: 22/01/2019 Last Updated: 22/01/2019 01/06/2020 Group ID: 13768.
AMENDMENTS

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Individual

1. SOLEIMANI, Qasem
   Title: Major General  DOB: 11/03/1957.  POB: Qom, Iran  a.k.a: (1) SALIMANI, Qasem (2) SOLAIMANI, Qasem (3) SOLEIMANY, Qasim (4) SOLEMANI, Qasem (5) SOLEYMANI, Qasem (6) SOLEYMANI, Qasem (7) SULAIMANI, Qasem (8) SULAYMAN, Qasem (9) SULAYMAN, Qasmi (10) SULEMANI, Qasem
   Nationality: Iranian (Iranian citizenship)  Passport Details: 008827 issued in Iran  Position: Commander of Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps, IRGC - Qods  Other Information: (Deceased). Both UK listing and EU listing under Terrorism and Terrorist Financing. EU listing under Syria. Promoted to Major General, retaining his position as Commander of Qods Force. UN listing under Iran (nuc prol). Male. UN Ref IRi.039. Also known as Haj Qasem, Haji Qassem and Sarder Soleimani.  Listed on: 24/03/2007  Last Updated: 20/01/2020 01/06/2020  Group ID: 9062

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