

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury

Financial Sanctions Notice

26/02/2021

Yemen

Introduction

- The Yemen (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/733) 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 that threaten the peace, stability or security of Yemen.
- 2. On 26 February 2021 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 added to the consolidated list and is now subject to an asset freeze.
 - Sultan Saleh Aida Aida ZABIN (Group ID: 14064)

What you must do

5. You must:

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

Further Information

- Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be found obtained from the Yemen financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases
- 8. Further details on the UN measures in respect of Yemen can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage: https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/2140
- 9. The Consolidated List can be found here:

 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets
- 10. The UK Sanctions List can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list

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

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

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

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THE YEMEN (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2020 (S.I. 2020/733)

ADDITION

Individual

1. ZABIN, Sultan Saleh Aida Aida

Position: Director of the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) in Sanaa **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): YEM0006 (UN Ref): YEi.006. (Further Identifying Information): Sultan Saleh Aida Aida Zabin has engaged in acts that threaten the peace, security and stability of Yemen, including violations of applicable international humanitarian law and human rights abuses in Yemen. Zabin has played a prominent role in a policy of intimidation and use of systematic arrest, detention, torture, sexual violence and rape against politically active women. Zabin as director for CID is directly responsible for, or by virtue of his authority responsible for, and complicit in the use of multiple places of detention including house arrest, police stations, formal prisons and detention centres and undisclosed detention centres. In these sites, women, including at least one minor, were forcibly disappeared, repeatedly interrogated, raped, tortured, denied timely medical treatment and subjected to forced labour. Zabin himself directly inflicted torture in some cases. **Listed on:** 26/02/2021 **Last Updated:** 26/02/2021 **Group ID:** 14064.

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