Written Ministerial Statement

Operation of the UK's Counter-Terrorist Asset Freezing Regime: 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2017

The Economic Secretary to the Treasury (Stephen Barclay): Under the Terrorist Asset-Freezing etc. Act 2010 (TAFA 2010), the Treasury is required to report to Parliament, quarterly, on its operation of the UK's asset freezing regime mandated by UN Security Council Resolutions 1373 and 1452.

This report covers the period from 1 January 2017 to 31 March 2017. This report also covers the UK implementation of the UN's ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida asset freezing regime (ISIL-AQ) and the operation of the EU asset freezing regime in the UK under EU Regulation (EC) 2580/2001 which implements UNSCR 1373 against external terrorist threats to the EU.

Under the ISIL-AQ asset freezing regime, the UN has responsibility for designations and the Treasury, through its Office of Financial Sanctions implementation (OFSI), has responsibility for licensing and compliance with the regime in the UK under the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida (Asset-Freezing) Regulations 2011.

Under EU Regulation 2580/2001, the EU has responsibility for designations and OFSI has responsibility for licensing and compliance with the regime in the UK under Part 1 of TAFA 2010.

A new EU asset freezing regime under EU Regulation (2016/1686) was implemented on 22 September 2016. This permits the EU to make autonomous Al-Qaida and ISIL (Da'esh) listings. Once a designation is made under this regime it will appear in the table below.

Annexes A and B to this statement provide a breakdown, by name, of all those designated by the UK and the EU in pursuance of UN Security Council Resolution 1373.

The following table sets out the key asset-freezing activity in the UK during the quarter:

Frozen funds

	TAFA 2010	EU Reg (EC) 2580/2001	ISIL-AQ regime EU Reg 881/2002
Total funds frozen (GBP equivalent at the end of the quarter)	£9,000	£0.00	£70,000 ¹
Total accounts frozen (at the end of the quarter)	6	O ²	35
Accounts frozen (during the quarter)	0	0	0
Accounts unfrozen (during the quarter)	0	0	0

<u>Listings</u>

	TAFA 2010	EU Reg (EC)	ISIL-AQ regime
		2580/2001	EU Reg 881/2002
Total number of designations	20	34	338
(at the end of the quarter)			
Total number of designated individuals	14	13	263
(at the end of the quarter)			
Total number of designated groups and entities	6	21	75
(at the end of the quarter)			
New public designations (during the quarter)	0	0	4
New confidential designations ³	0	N/A	N/A
(during the quarter)			
Total number of current confidential designations	0	N/A	N/A
(at the end of the quarter)			
Total delistings	0	0	0
(during the quarter)			

Calculated using exchange rates as of 30/09/2016.
 One account was transferred out of UK jurisdiction but remains frozen.
 Confidential designations can be made under section 3(2)-(4) and section 7(2)-(4) of TAFA 2010.

Total renewals of designations by HMT	10	N/A	N/A
(during the quarter)			

Location of designated individuals

	TAFA 2010	EU Reg (EC)	ISIL-AQ regime
		2580/2001	EU Reg 881/2002
Designated individuals in custody in UK (at the end of the quarter)	0	0	0
Designated individuals in UK, not in custody (at the end of the quarter)	0	0	2
Designated individuals suspected to be overseas (at the end of the quarter)	14	13	261

<u>Licensing</u>

Specific licences	TAFA 2010	EU Reg (EC)	ISIL-AQ regime
(issued during the quarter)		2580/2001	EU Reg 881/2002
Issued	0	0	2
Amended	0	0	0
Revoked/redundant	0	0	0
Refused	0	0	0

General licences ⁴	All regimes	
(issued during the quarter)		
Extant	4	
Issued	0	
Amended	0	
Revoked	0	

 $^{^4 \} General \ licences \ are \ published \ on \ GOV. UK: \ \underline{https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/counter-financing-of-terrorism-general-licenses}$

Annex A: Designated persons under TAFA 2010 by name⁵

INDIVIDUALS

- 1. Hamed ABDOLLAHI*
- 2. Imad Khalil AL-ALAMI
- 3. Abdelkarim Hussein AL-NASSER*
- 4. Ibrahim Salih AL-YACOUB*
- 5. Manssor ARBABSIAR*
- 6. Usama HAMDAN
- 7. Hasan IZZ-AL-DIN*
- 8. Mohammed KHALED
- 9. Musa Abu MARZOUK
- 10. Khalid MISHAAL
- 11. Khalid Sheikh MOHAMMED*
- 12. Abdul Reza SHAHLAI*
- 13. Ali Gholam SHAKURI*
- 14. Qasem SOLEIMANI*

ENTITIES

- 1. BASQUE FATHERLAND AND LIBERTY (ETA)
- 2. EJERCITO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL (ELN)*
- 3. HIZBALLAH MILITARY WING, INCLUDING EXTERNAL SECURITY ORGANISATION*
- 4. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE GENERAL COMMAND (PFLP-GC)*
- 5. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE (PFLP)*
- 6. SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL)*

⁵ For full listing details please refer to https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-list-of-designated-persons-terrorism-and-terrorist-financing.

Annex B: Persons designated by the EU under Council Regulation (EC) 2580/2001⁶

PERSONS

- 1. Hamed ABDOLLAHI*
- 2. Abdelkarim Hussein AL-NASSER*
- 3. Ibrahim Salih AL-YACOUB*
- 4. Manssor ARBABSIAR*
- 5. Mohammed BOUYERI
- 6. Hassan Hassan EL HAJJ
- 7. Hasan IZZ-AL-DIN*
- 8. Farad MELIAD
- 9. Khalid Sheikh MOHAMMED*
- 10. Dalokav SANLI
- 11. Abdul Reza SHAHLAI*
- 12. Ali Gholam SHAKURI*
- 13. Qasem SOLEIMANI*

GROUPS AND ENTITIES

- 1. ABU NIDAL ORGANISATION (ANO)
- 2. AL-AQSA E.V.
- 3. AL-AQSA MARTYRS' BRIGADE
- 4. BABBAR KHALSA
- 5. COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE PHILIPPINES, INCLUDING NEW PEOPLE'S ARMY (NPA), PHILIPPINES
- 6. DEVRIMCI HALK KURTULU PARTISI-CEPHESI DHKP/C (REVOLUTIONARY PEOPLE'S LIBERATION ARMY/FRONT/PARTY)
- 7. EJÉRCITO DE LIBERACIÓN NACIONAL (NATIONAL LIBERATION ARMY)*
- 8. GAMA'A AL-ISLAMIYYA (A.K.A. AL-GAMA'A AL-ISLAMIYYA) (ISLAMIC GROUP IG)
- 9. HAMAS, INCLUDING HAMAS-IZZ AL-DIN AL-QASSEM
- 10. HIZBALLAH MILITARY WING, INCLUDING EXTERNAL SECURITY ORGANISATION
- 11. HIZBUL MUJAHIDEEN (HM)
- 12. HOFSTADGROEP
- 13. ISLAMI BÜYÜK DOĞU AKINCILAR CEPHESI (IBDA-C) (GREAT ISLAMIC EASTERN WARRIORS FRONT)
- 14. KHALISTAN ZINDABAD FORCE (KZF)
- 15. KURDISTAN WORKERS PARTY (PKK) (A.K.A. KONGRA-GEL)
- 16. LIBERATION TIGERS OF TAMIL EELAM (LTTE)
- 17. PALESTINIAN ISLAMIC JIHAD (PIJ)
- 18. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE GENERAL COMMAND (PFLP GC)*
- 19. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE (PFLP)*
- 20. SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL) (SHINING PATH)*
- 21. TEYRBAZEN AZADIYA KURDISTAN (TAK)

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^{*} EU listing rests on UK designation under TAFA 2010.