

Written Ministerial Statement

Operation of the UK's Counter-Terrorist Asset Freezing Regime: 1 October 2013 to 31 December 2013

The Commercial Secretary to the Treasury (Lord Deighton): 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 Resolution 1373.

This is the twelfth report under the Act and it covers the period from 1 October 2013 to 31 December 2013. This report also covers the UK implementation of the UN Al-Qaida asset freezing regime 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 UN Al-Qaida asset freezing regime, the UN has responsibility for designations and the Treasury has responsibility for licensing and compliance with the regime in the UK under the Al-Qaida (Asset-Freezing) Regulations 2011. Under EU Regulation 2580/2001, the EU has responsibility for designations and the Treasury has responsibility for licensing and compliance with the regime in the UK under Part 1 of Tafa 2010.

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 ending 31 December 2013:

	Tafa 2010	EU Reg(EC) 2580/2001	Al-Qaida regime UNSCR 1989
Assets frozen (as at 31/12/2013)	£82,000	£11,000 ¹	£58,000 ²
Number of accounts frozen in UK (at 31/12/2013)	54	10	26
New accounts frozen (during Q4 2013)	0	0	0
Accounts unfrozen (during Q4 2013)	7	0	3

¹ This does not duplicate funds frozen under Tafa.

² This figure reflects the most up-to-date account balances available and includes approximately £64,000 of funds frozen in the UK. This has been converted using exchange rates as of 31/12/2013.

Number of designations (at 31/12/2013)	38	37 ³	284
(i) New designations (during Q4 2013)	0	0	4
(ii) Delistings (during Q4 2013)	1	0	4
(iii) Individuals in custody in UK (at 31/12/2013)	15	0	0
(iv) Individuals in UK, not in custody (at 31/12/2013)	3	0	3
(v) Individuals overseas (at 31/12/2013)	12	11	220
(vi) Groups	8 (0 in UK)	26 (1 in UK)	62 (0 in UK)
Individuals by Nationality			
(i) UK Nationals ⁴	13	n/a	n/a
(ii) Non UK Nationals	17		
Renewal of designation (during Q4 2013)	11	n/a	n/a
General Licences			
(i) Issued in Q4		(i) 0	
(ii) Amended		(ii) 0	
(iii) Revoked		(iii) 0	
Specific Licences:			
(i) Issued in Q4	4	0	1
(ii) Amended	2	0	0
(iii) Revoked/ Expired	0	0	0

Legal Proceedings

An appeal against designation made under the Terrorism (United Nations Measures) Order 2009 and TAFSA 2010 was ongoing in the quarter covered by this report, brought by Zana Abdul RAHIM. Two civil claims relating to designations are also ongoing, one brought by Gulam MASTAFA against the Treasury and other government departments, and another brought by an individual, known as "M", against the Treasury. The challenge under s63(2) of the Counter-Terrorism Act 2008 brought by Mohammed AL GHABRA against the Treasury and joined to be heard with his claim for Judicial Review against the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, was withdrawn by the Claimant. In the quarter to 31 December 2013, no criminal proceedings were

³ This figure is based on ex-designations where the UK freeze forms the prior competent authority decision for the EU freeze.

⁴ Based on information held by the Treasury, some of these individuals hold dual nationality.

initiated in respect of breaches of asset freezes made under Tafa 2010 or under the Al-Qaida (Asset-Freezing) Regulations 2011.

Annex A: Designated persons under Tafa 2010 by name⁵

INDIVIDUALS

1. Hamed ABDOLLAHI
2. Bilal Talal ABDULLAH
3. Imad Khalil AL-ALAMI
4. Abdula Ahmed ALI
5. Abdelkarim Hussein AL-NASSER
6. Ibrahim Salih AL-YACOUB
7. Manssor ARBABSIAR
8. Usama HAMDAN
9. Nabeel HUSSAIN
10. Tanvir HUSSAIN
11. Umar ISLAM
12. Hasan IZZ-AL-DIN
13. Mohammed KHALED
14. Parviz KHAN
15. Waheed Arafat KHAN
16. Osman Adam KHATIB
17. Musa Abu MARZOUK
18. Khalid MISHAAL
19. Khalid Shaikh MOHAMMED
20. Ramzi MOHAMMED
21. Sultan MUHAMMAD
22. Yassin OMAR
23. Hussein OSMAN
24. Muktar Mohammed SAID
25. Assad SARWAR
26. Ibrahim SAVANT
27. Abdul Reza SHAHLAI
28. Ali Gholam SHAKURI
29. Qasem SOLEIMANI
30. Waheed ZAMAN

ENTITIES

1. BASQUE FATHERLAND AND LIBERTY (ETA)
2. EJERCITO DE LIBERACION NACIONAL (ELN)
3. FUERZAS ARMADAS REVOLUCIONARIAS DE COLOMBIA (FARC)
4. HIZBALLAH MILITARY WING, INCLUDING EXTERNAL SECURITY ORGANISATION
5. HOLY LAND FOUNDATION FOR RELIEF AND DEVELOPMENT
6. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE - GENERAL COMMAND (PFLP-GC)
7. POPULAR FRONT FOR THE LIBERATION OF PALESTINE (PFLP)

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

8. SENDERO LUMINOSO (SL)

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 ARBABSAR*
5. Mohammed BOUYERI
6. Sofiane Yacine FAHAS
7. Hasan IZZ-AL-DIN*
8. Khalid Shaikh MOHAMMED*
9. Abdul Reza SHAHLAI*
10. Ali Gholam SHAKURI*
11. Qasem SOLEIMANI*

GROUPS AND ENTITIES

1. Abu Nidal Organisation (ANO)
2. Al-Aqsa e.V.
3. Al-Aqsa Martyrs' Brigade
4. Al-Takfir and Al-Hijra
5. Babbar Khalsa
6. Communist Party of the Philippines, including New People's Army (NPA), Philippines
7. Devrimci Halk Kurtulu Partisi-Cephesi — DHKP/C (Revolutionary People's Liberation Army/Front/Party)
8. Ejército de Liberación Nacional (National Liberation Army)*
9. Fuerzas armadas revolucionarias de Colombia (FARC)*
10. Gama'a al-Islamiyya (a.k.a. Al-Gama'a al-Islamiyya) (Islamic Group — IG)
11. Hamas, including Hamas-Izz al-Din al-Qassem
12. Hizballah Military Wing, including external security organisation
13. Hizbul Mujahideen (HM)
14. Hofstadgroep
15. Holy Land Foundation for Relief and Development*
16. International Sikh Youth Federation (ISYF)
17. İslami Büyük Doğu Akıncılar Cephesi (IBDA-C) (Great Islamic Eastern Warriors Front)
18. Khalistan Zindabad Force (KZF)
19. Kurdistan Workers Party (PKK) (a.k.a. KONGRA-GEL)
20. Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE)
21. Palestinian Islamic Jihad (PIJ)
22. Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine — General Command (PFLP-GC)*
23. Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP)*
24. Sendero Luminoso (SL) (Shining Path)*
25. Stichting Al Aqsa
26. Teyrbazen Azadiya Kurdistan (TAK)

⁶ For full listing details please refer to www.gov.uk

* EU listing rests on UK designation under TFA 2010

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