

Financial Sanctions Notice

17/05/2024

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Introduction

- 1. The Democratic Republic of the Congo (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 ("the Regulations") were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 ("the Sanctions Act") and provide for the imposition of financial sanctions, namely the freezing of funds and economic resources of persons involved in the commission of a serious human rights violation or abuse, or violation of international humanitarian law, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; obstructing or undermining respect for democracy, the rule of law and good governance in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; or the production, manufacture or use in the Democratic Republic of the Congo of improvised explosive devices, or in the commission, planning, ordering, aiding, abetting or otherwise assistance of attacks in the Democratic Republic of the Congo with improvised explosive devices.
- 2. 1 entry has been corrected on the Consolidated List, bringing the entry in line with the UK Sanctions List.

Notice summary

- 3. The following entry has been corrected and is still subject to an asset freeze:
 - Sylvestre MUDACUMURA (Group ID: 8714)

What <u>you</u> must do

- 4. 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 and any entities owned or controlled by them;
 - ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources;
 - iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or economic resources or making them available directly or indirectly to or for the benefit of designated persons unless licensed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI) or if an exception applies;
 - iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with the information or other matter on which the knowledge or suspicion is based. Where the information relates to funds or economic resources, the nature and quantity should also be reported.
- 5. Information received by OFSI may be disclosed to third parties in accordance with provisions set out in the Information and Records part of the regulations and in compliance with applicable data protection laws.
- 6. Information regarding a suspected designated person, and funds or economic resources belonging to them, does not need to be disclosed to OFSI where it has previously been reported.

7. Failure to comply with UK financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions may be a criminal offence.

Further Information

8. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Democratic Republic of the Congo financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regimespecific-consolidated-lists-and-releases.

- Further details on the UN measures in respect of the Democratic Republic of the Congo can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage: https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/information.
- 10.The UN Consolidated List can be found here: <u>https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/list-updates-unsc-consolidated-</u>

<u>list</u>.

- 11.The Consolidated List can be found here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-</u> consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets.
- 12. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list.

13. The Compliance Reporting Form can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/suspected-breach-of-financial-sanctions-whatto-do.

14.For more information please see our financial sanctions guidance:

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

Enquiries

15.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.

- 16.Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: <u>fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk</u>.
- 17.Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 18.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

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS

2019

CORRECTION

Deleted information appears in strikethrough. Additional information appears in italics and is underlined.

<u>Individual</u>

1. MUDACUMURA, Sylvestre

DOB: --/--/1954. POB: Cellule Ferege, Gatumba, sector Kibilira commune, Gisenyi Prefecture, Rwanda Good quality a.k.a: (1) BERNARD, Mupenzi (2) MUDACUMURA, General (3) MUPENZI, Other <u>General Major</u> Low quality a.k.a: (1) PHARAOH (2) RADJA Nationality: Rwanda Address: North Kivu Province, Congo (Democratic Republic). Position: FDLR-FOCA Commander and FDLR-FOCA Lieutenant General Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):DRC0057. (UN Ref):CDi.012. The International Criminal Court issued an arrest warrant for Mudacumura on 12 July 2012 for nine counts of war crimes, including attacking civilians, murder, mutilation, cruel treatment, rape, torture, destruction of property, pillaging and outrages against personal dignity, allegedly committed between 2009 and 2010 in the DRC. (Gender):Male Listed on: 02/11/2005 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 01/11/2005 Last Updated: 21/01/2021 17/05/2024 Group ID: 8714.

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