## **GENERAL LICENCE – Permitted Iran Air Activities**

# INT/2024/5297490

- 1. This licence is granted under regulation 60 of the Iran (Sanctions) Regulations 2023 ("the Iran Regulations").
- 2. Any act which would otherwise breach the prohibitions in Regulations 15 to 19 of the Iran Regulations is exempt from those prohibitions to the extent required to give effect to the permissions in this licence.

# 3. In this licence:

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"Chicago Convention" means	The Convention on International Civil Aviation and its Annexes, signed at Chicago on 7th December 1944 (United Nations Treaty Series, vol. 15, p. 295).	
"Iran Air" means	Iran Air, Group ID: 16611, the national airline of Iran designated under the Iran Regulations on 18 November 2024.	
"IASTA" means	The International Air Services Transit Agreement signed at Chicago on 7th December 1944 (United Nations Treaty Series, vol. 84, p. 389).	
"Permitted Payments" means	(i) Any payments by any Person that are required (including, but not limited to, payments for the provision of ground services or airport services) to enable Iran Air:	
	<ul> <li>to overfly the United Kingdom; or</li> <li>to make a Stop for Non-Traffic purposes in the United Kingdom</li> </ul>	
	in accordance with Article 5 of the Chicago Convention (in respect of non-scheduled international air services) and section 1 of Article 1 of the IASTA (in respect of Scheduled international air services).	
	(ii) Any payments made by Iran Air for contractual obligations that arose prior to Iran Air's designation in respect of ground services or airport services in the UK (including the refund of tickets for cancelled flights to/from the UK), provided that no payments are made to another designated person (as defined in paragraph 1 of Schedule 5 of the Regulations), whether directly or indirectly.	
a " <b>Person</b> " means	An individual, a body of persons corporate or unincorporate, any organisation or any association or combination of persons.	
a "Relevant UK Institution" means	A person that has permission under Part 4A of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (permission to carry on regulated activity).	
	A person that is authorised or registered under Part 2 of the Payment Services Regulations (SI 2017/752).	
	A person that is authorised or registered under Part 2 of the Electronic Money Regulations (SI 2011/99).	
	A person that is a "recognised clearing house", "third country central counterparty", "recognised CSD" or "third country CSD"	

	for the purposes of s.285 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000.
	A person that is an operator of a recognised payment system (or that is a service provider in relation to recognised payment systems) for the purposes of Part 5 of the Banking Act 2009.
"Scheduled international air services" means	A series of flights that possesses all the following characteristics:
	a) it passes through the airspace over the territory of more than one State;
	b) it is performed by aircraft for the transport of passengers, mail or cargo for remuneration, in such a manner that each flight is open to use by members of the public;
	c) it is operated, so as to serve traffic between the same two or more points, either i) according to a published timetable, or ii) with flights so regular or frequent that they constitute a recognisably systematic series.
"Stop for Non-Traffic purposes" means	A landing for any purpose other than taking on or discharging passengers, cargo or mail.

#### **Permissions**

- 4. Under this licence, subject to the conditions 5-8 below:
  - 4.1. A Person may make Permitted Payments in respect of Iran Air.
  - 4.2. A Relevant UK Institution may process payments made in accordance with paragraphs 4.1.

### Reporting Requirement

- 5. Within 1 month of receiving payment for contractual obligations under Permitted Payments (ii) of this licence, a Person (excluding Relevant Institutions) must send to HM Treasury, by email to <a href="mailto:ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk">ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk</a>, the following details:
  - A document which sets out the obligation pursuant to which payment is received;
  - The relevant invoice(s) which are being paid;
  - The amount received; and
  - The date on which the funds were received.

## **General**

- 6. The permissions in this licence do not authorise any act which the person carrying out the act knows, or has reasonable grounds for suspecting, will result in funds or economic resources being dealt with or made available in breach of the Iran Regulations, save as permitted under this or other licences granted under the Iran Regulations.
- 7. Information provided to HM Treasury in connection with this licence shall be disclosed to third parties only in compliance with the UK General Data Protection Regulation and the Data Protection Act 2018.
- 8. This licence takes effect from 0:01 on 18 November 2024.

9. HM Treasury may vary, revoke or suspend this licence at any time.

# Signed:



Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury 18 November 2024.