

## **General Licence – Publication Notice**

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On 21 February 2025, OFSI issued General Licence INT/2025/5855272 under regulation 64 of the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 ("the Russia Regulations") which allows International Organisations to receive Permitted Payments transferred from an account held with Gazprombank (DP).

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For the purposes of General Licence INT/2025/5855272:

The "DP" means Gazprombank (Group ID: 15015)

"International Organisations" means those international trade organisations based in the UK with recognised diplomatic status under international law.

"**Permitted Payments**" means subscription fees and any other payments required from the Government of Russia to retain membership of the International Organisations.

"**Person**" means an individual or a body of persons corporate or unincorporate but does not include a UK DP.

## A "Relevant UK Institution" is:

- 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.
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Under General Licence INT/2025/5855272, subject to the conditions in Paragraphs 6-7 of the General Licence:

• International Organisations may receive Permitted Payments transferred from an account held with the DP.

A Relevant UK Institution may process payments made in accordance with paragraph 4 of the General Licence.

The General Licence does not permit payment directly or indirectly to or for the benefit of any UN DPs.

The reporting and record-keeping requirements for International Organisations are set out in the General Licence.

On 28 April 2025, Annex 1 of the General Licence was amended to include the International Maritime Organization.

## General

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General Licence INT/2025/5855272 takes effect from 00:01 on 21 February 2025 and expires at 11:59 pm on 20 February 2030.

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