

General Licence – Publication Notice

General licence - INT/2025/5632740

OFSI has the power to issue General Licences for country sanctions regimes under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 ("the Sanctions Act").

On 14 January 2025, OFSI issued General Licence INT/2025/5632740 under the UK Autonomous Sanctions Regulations listed in Annex 1 of the General Licence, which allows Persons to make funds available to or for the benefit of a UK DP up to the Permitted Maximum in each of the two Months following the date of the UK DP's designation for the purpose of the UK DP making Permitted Payments. Any persons intending to use General Licence INT/2025/5632740 should consult the copy of the Licence for full details of the definition, permissions, and usage requirements.

For the purposes of General Licence INT/2025/5632740:

UK DPs means individuals designated for the purposes of an asset freeze by the UK under the UK Autonomous Sanctions Regulations excluding those designated for the purpose of compliance with United Nations obligations.

UK Autonomous Sanctions Regulations means those sanctions regulations made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 and listed in Annex 1 of the licence.

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

Permitted Maximum means a total of £350 per Month and per UK DP.

Month means the period from a day of one month to the corresponding day of the next month if such exists or if not to the last day of the next month.

Permitted Payments means payments for the following:

- food and beverages
- medicines/medical products
- personal and household products.

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.
- 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.

Under General Licence INT/2025/5632740:

- A Person may make funds available to or for the benefit of a UK DP up to the Permitted Maximum in each of the two Months following the date of the UK DP's designation for the purpose of the UK DP making Permitted Payments.
- A UK DP may receive funds up to the Permitted Maximum in each of the two Months following the date of their designation.
- A UK DP may make Permitted Payments up to the Permitted Maximum in each of the two Months following the date of their designation.
- A Person may receive Permitted Payments up to the Permitted Maximum from or on behalf of a UK DP in each of the two Months following the date of the UK DP's designation.

General Licence INT/2025/5632740 is subject to the following conditions:

- The funds which are either (a) paid by a Person for the benefit of a UK DP, or (b) received by the DP from a Person in accordance (respectively) with paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 of this licence may not exceed £350 per Month in total.
- The General Licence does not permit payment directly or indirectly to or for the benefit of any person designated for the purpose of compliance with United Nations obligations.

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

General

The permissions in General Licence INT/2025/5632740 do not authorise any act which will result in funds or economic resources being made available in breach of any relevant UK Autonomous Sanctions Regulations, save as permitted under this licence or other licences granted under those Regulations.

This General Licence was amended on 23 July 2025 to include the Global Irregular Migration and Trafficking in Persons Sanctions Regulations 2025.

Guidance

Any UK DP newly designated under a counter terrorism regime or under a UN regime and therefore excluded from using this General Licence should approach OFSI for a specific licence for their basic needs post designation.

General Licence INT/2025/5632740 takes effect from 0.01 15 January 2025.

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