GENERAL LICENCE: ISRAEL, THE OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORIES PALESTINE AND LEBANON HUMANITARIAN ACTIVITY

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- 1. This licence is granted under regulation 31 of the Counter-Terrorism (International Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 ("the CT2 Regulations").
- 2. Any act which would otherwise breach the prohibitions in Regulations 11-15 of the CT 2 Regulations 2019 is exempt from those prohibitions as set out below.

3. In this licence:	
"DP" or "Designated Person" means	Any person or entity designated under the CT2 Regulations
"Relevant Person" means	Any UK Funded person; The United Nations, including its programmes, funds and other entities and bodies, and its specialised agencies and related organisations; Humanitarian organisations having observer status with the United Nations General Assembly and members of those humanitarian organisations; Bilaterally or multilaterally funded non-governmental organisations participating in the United Nations Humanitarian Response Plans, Refugee Response Plans other United Nations appeals, or humanitarian clusters coordinated by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs; The Occupied Palestinian Territories Humanitarian Fund; The Women's Peace and Humanitarian Fund; Médecins Sans Frontières International and its institutional members or affiliates; The Disasters Emergency Committee;
	Any employee, grantee, subsidiary, or implementing partne of any organisation falling within the above list while and to the extent that they are acting in those capacities.
	Any persons providing goods or services to any of the persons listed above including but not limited to the provision, processing and payment of funds of economic resources and making available digita technologies.
"UK Funded Person" means	Any person that receives, or has received in the last 5 years, funding from any part of the Government of the United Kingdom for the purpose of providing humanitarian assistance or supporting basic human needs.
"Relevant Activities" means	Activities necessary to provide humanitarian assistance, othe activities that support basic human needs and facilitate the timely provision of those activities in relation to the conflict in Israel, Palestine the Occupied Palestinian Territories and Lebanon. This includes the provision, processing and payment of funds, or economic resources, and the provision of goods as well as services. The humanitarian assistance and other activities that support basic human needs

activities must solely relate to the conflict in Israel, **Palestine** the Occupied Palestinian Territories and Lebanon.

"Relevant Institution" means

A person that has permission under Part 4A of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (permission to carry on regulated activities);

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 section 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.

Permissions

- 4. Under this licence, subject to the conditions in paragraph 5, a Relevant Person may perform the Relevant Activities provided that the Relevant Person believes that carrying out the Relevant Activities is necessary to provide humanitarian assistance, other activities that support basic human needs and facilitate the timely provision of that assistance or those activities in relation to the conflict in Israel, **Palestine** the Occupied Palestinian Territories and Lebanon and there is no reasonable cause for the Relevant Person to suspect otherwise.
- 5. Any funds used to effect the permissions set out in paragraph 4 must not be from funds or economic resources that are owned, held or controlled by a Designated Person.
- 6. Any Relevant Institution may carry out any activity necessary to give effect to the permissions listed in paragraph 4.
- 7. The permission set out in paragraph 4 does not permit the use of economic resources owned, held or controlled by a Designated Person except where a Designated Person has received funds, goods or services in exchange for those economic resources from a Relevant Person to perform Relevant Activities.

Reporting Requirements

- 8. Relevant Persons undertaking Relevant Activities for the duration of this General Licence will be required to report to OFSI the following information:
 - i. The details of the Relevant Person using the General Licence;
 - ii. The details of the Relevant Activities that have been undertaken using the General Licence;
 - iii. The total value of funds, economic resources, goods and services provided, processed or paid pursuant to those Relevant Activities.
 - iv. Reporting to OFSI should be sent no later than:
 - i. 13 November 2024 in relation to activities undertaken under this General Licence prior to that date; and
 - ii. 14 December 2025 in relation to activities undertaken under this General Licence prior to that date and on or after 13 November 2024.

- iii. 15 December 2026 in relation to activities undertaken under this General Licence prior to that date and on or after 14 November 2025.
- iv. 15 December 2027 in relation to activities undertaken under this General Licence prior to that date and on or after 15 November 2026.

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- 9. The permissions in this licence are without prejudice to the permissions provided by any other licence, whether general or in respect of particular acts, that have been or may be issued by HM Treasury from time to time.
- 10. 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 a breach of the CT 2 Regulations save as permitted under a licence granted under the CT 2 Regulations.
- 11. 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.
- 12. This licence takes effect from 11:59 pm on 14 November 2023 and expires at 11:59 pm on 14 November 2025 **14 November 2027**.
 - 13. HM Treasury may vary, revoke or suspend this licence at any time.

Signed:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury

14 November 2023

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