

# **Financial Sanctions Notice**

02/03/2020

# ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Organisations

### Introduction

- 1. Council Regulation (EC) 881/2002 ("the Regulation") imposing financial sanctions against the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Organisations has been amended.
- 2. Identifying information for the individuals entities listed in the Annex to this Notice has been amended.

# Notice summary (Full details are provided in the Annex to this Notice)

- 3. The following entries have been <u>amended</u> and are still subject to an asset freeze:
  - Islamic State In The Greater Sahara (ISGS) (Group ID: 13825)
  - Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP) (Group ID: 12826)

# What you must do

# 4. You must:

- i. check whether you maintain any accounts or hold any funds or economic resources for the persons set out in the Annex to this Notice;
- ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources;
- iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available (directly or indirectly) to such persons unless licensed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI);

- iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with the Regulation;
- v. provide any information concerning the frozen assets of designated persons that OFSI may request. Information reported to OFSI may be passed on to other regulatory authorities or law enforcement.
- 5. Where a relevant institution has <u>already reported</u> details of accounts, other funds or economic resources held frozen for designated persons, <u>they are not required to report these details again</u>.
- 6. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

# Legislative details

- 7. On 2 March 2020 Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/288 ("the Amending Regulation") was published in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L 61, 2.3.2020, p.1) by the European Commission.
- 8. The Amending Regulation amended Annex I to the Regulation with effect from 2 March 2020.
- 9. The Amending Regulation reflects the decisions made on 23 February 2020 by the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Committee established pursuant to Resolution 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) to add 2 entities to the UN ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Organisations list.

#### **Further Information**

10. A copy of the Amending Regulation can be obtained from the website of the Official Journal of the European Union:

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32020R0288&from=EN

11. Copies of recent Notices, certain EU Regulations, UNSC Resolutions and UK legislation can be obtained from the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Organisations financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:

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

- 12. Further details on the UN measures in respect of the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Organisations can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage: http://www.un.org/sc/committees.
- 13. It should be noted that the Annex to this Notice and the Consolidated List may include certain background information provided by the UN Sanctions Committee that is not included in Annex I to the Regulation.
- 14. For more information please see our guide to financial sanctions: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-faqs">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-faqs</a>

# **Enquiries**

15. Non-media enquiries, reports and licence applications should be addressed to:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury 1 Horse Guards Road London SW1A 2HQ ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk

- 16. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 17. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

# ANNEX TO NOTICE

# FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: ISIL (DA'ESH) AND AL-QAIDA ORGANISATIONS COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2020/288 AMENDING ANNEX I TO COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) 881/2002

#### **AMENDMENTS**

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

# **Entities**

# 1. ISLAMIC STATE IN THE GREATER SAHARA (ISGS)

a.k.a: (1) ISIS in the Greater Sahara (2) ISIS in the Greater Sahel (3) ISIS in the Islamic Sahel (4) Islamic State in Iraq and Syria – Greater Sahara (ISIS-GS) (5) Islamic State of Iraq and Syria – Greater Sahara (ISIS-GS) (6) Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant - Greater Sahara (ISIL-GS) (7) Islamic State of the Greater Sahel Other Information: UN Ref: QDe.163. Formed in May 2015 by Adnan Abu Walid al-Sahraoui (QDi.415). Associated with the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (listed as Al-Qaida in Iraq (QDe.115)). Splinter group of Al-Mourabitoun (QDe.141). Committed terrorist attacks in Mali, Niger and Burkina Faso. (Listing to be treated as temporary for 30 days from the date of listing by the UN or until the EU adds the new listing to an existing sanctions regulation (whichever is sooner) in accordance with Policing and Crime Act 2017). [UN Listing (formerly temporary listing, in accordance with the Policing and Crime Act 2017)]. Listed on: 24/02/2020 Last Updated: 24/02/2020 02/03/2020 Group ID: 13825.

## 2. ISLAMIC STATE WEST AFRICA PROVINCE (ISWAP)

a.k.a: (1) Islamic State of Iraq and Syria – West Africa (ISIS-WA) (2) Islamic State of Iraq and Syria West Africa Province (ISISWAP) (3) Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant – West Africa (4) Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant – West Africa (ISIL-WA) Other Information: UN Ref: QDe.162. Associated with the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (listed as Al-Qaida in Iraq (QDe.115)). Formed in March 2015 by Abubakar Shekau (QDi.322). Splinter group of Jama'atu Ahlis Sunna Lidda'Awati Wal-Jihad (Boko Haram) (QDe.138). Committed terrorist attacks in Nigeria. (Listing to be treated as temporary for 30 days from the date of listing by the UN or until the EU adds the new listing to an existing sanctions regulation (whichever is sooner) in accordance with Policing and Crime Act 2017). [UN Listing (formerly temporary listing, in accordance with the Policing and Crime Act 2017)]. Listed on: 24/02/2020 Last Updated: 24/02/2020 02/03/2020 Group ID: 13826.

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