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Financial Sanctions Notice

09/08/2021

Belarus

Introduction

1. The Republic of Belarus (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/600) were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 (the Sanctions Act) and provide for the freezing of funds and economic resources of certain persons, entities or bodies reasonably suspected of involvement in conduct enabling or facilitating the disappearances of four people or the failure to investigate properly or institute criminal proceedings against the persons responsible for those disappearances; the commission of serious human rights violations in Belarus; the repression of civil society or democratic opposition in Belarus; or other actions, policies or activities which undermine democracy or the rule of law in Belarus.
2. On 9 August 2021 the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office updated the UK Sanctions List on GOV.UK. This list provides details of those designated under regulations made under the Sanctions Act. A link to the UK Sanctions List can be found below.
3. Following the publication of the UK Sanctions List, information on the Consolidated List has been updated.

Notice summary

4. The following entry has been added to the consolidated list and is now subject to an asset freeze.
 - Mikhail Safarbekovich GUTSERIEV (Group ID: 14131)

5. The following entries have been amended and are still subject to an asset freeze:

- Natalia Nikolayevna EISMONT (Group ID: 13993)
- Viktor Gennadevich KHRENIN (Group ID:14113)
- Ivan Vladimirovich KUBRAKOV (Group ID: 13936)
- Alexander Grigorievich LUKASHENKO (Group ID: 13918)
- Viktor Aliaksandravich LUKASHENKO (Group ID: 13919)
- Igor Petrovich SERGEENKO (Group ID: 13920)
- Ivan Stanislavovich TERTEL (Group ID: 13985)

What you must do

6. 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 and any funds which are owned or controlled by persons set out in the Annex to the Notice;
- iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available (directly or indirectly) to such persons unless licensed by the Governor;
- iv. report any findings to the FRA at financialsanctions@gov.ky, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with the Regulation;
- v. provide any information concerning the frozen assets of designated persons to the FRA at financialsanctions@gov.ky by completing and submitting a Compliance Reporting Form (CRF). Information reported to FRA may be passed on to other regulatory authorities or law enforcement.

7. Where a relevant institution has already reported details of accounts, other funds or economic resources held frozen for designated persons, they are not required to report these details again.

8. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Further Information

9. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Belarus financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website:

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

10. The Consolidated List can be found here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets>
11. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list>
12. For more information please see OFSI'S guide to financial sanctions:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-financial-sanctions-guidance>
13. For general information on financial sanctions please see our Financial Sanctions Guidance
[http://fra.gov.ky/app/webroot/files/2020-02-21%20FRA%20Financial%20Sanctions%20Guidance%20\(Final\).pdf](http://fra.gov.ky/app/webroot/files/2020-02-21%20FRA%20Financial%20Sanctions%20Guidance%20(Final).pdf)

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ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: BELARUS

THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/600)

ADDITION

Individual

1. GUTSERIEV, Mikhail Safarbekovich

DOB: 09/03/1958. **POB:** Akmolinsk, Kazakh SSR, Soviet Union (now Nur-Sultan, Kazakhstan) **a.k.a:** GUTSERIYEV, Mikhail, Safarbekovich **Nationality:** (1) Russian (2) Cypriot **Passport Details:** K00162033 Expires 11 Feb 2024. **Address:** Russia. **Position:** Businessman **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): BEL0110 (UK Statement of Reasons): Mikhail Gutseriev is a prominent Russian businessman who is one of the main private investors in Belarus and a longstanding associate of Alexander Lukashenko, who is responsible for serious violations of human rights and the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Gutseriev has provided support for the Government of Belarus, including through use of his business interests. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 09/08/2021 **Last Updated:** 09/08/2021 **Group ID:** 14131.

AMENDMENTS

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

Individuals

1. EISMAONT, Natallia Mikalaeuna Nikolayevna

DOB: 16/02/1984. **POB:** Minsk, ~~Former USSR~~ Currently Belarus **a.k.a:** (1) ~~EISMONT~~, Natalia, Nikolayevna (2) EISMONT, Natallya (3) ~~EISMONT~~, Natallya, Mikalaeuna (4) *EISMANT, Natallya* **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** Spokesperson / Press Secretary of the President of Belarus **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): BEL0059 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): ~~Natallia Eismaont~~ was appointed Spokesperson / Press Secretary to President Lukashenko in November 2014. In this role, she has actively supported President Lukashenko throughout the flawed election process surrounding the 9 August during 2020 Presidential election. Through her activities and statements, she has supported the repression of civil society and ~~the~~ democratic opposition in Belarus and has undermined democracy and the rule of law in Belarus. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 06/11/2020 **Last Updated:** ~~31/12/2020~~ 09/08/2021 **Group ID:** 13993.

2. **KHRENIN, Viktor Gennadevich**

Title: Lieutenant General **DOB:** 01/08/1971. **POB:** *Navahrudak/Novogrodek, Grodno Region, former USSR (now Belarus)* **a.k.a:** (1) KHRENIN, Viktor, Gienadzjevich (2) KHRENIN, Viktor, Henadzjevich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Address:** *Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Belarus, 1, Kommunisticheskaya St., Minsk, Belarus, 220034.* **Position:** Minister of Defence **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): BEL0096 (UK Statement of Reasons): In his position as Minister of Defence of Belarus since 20 January 2020, Viktor Khrenin is responsible for the decision taken by the Command of the Air Forces and Air Defence Forces for the order dispatching military aircraft to intercept passenger flight FR4978 and compel its landing at Minsk airport, without proper justification, on 23 May 2021. In doing so, Khrenin acted at the direction of Alexander Lukashenko and in conjunction with the Belarusian aviation authorities. This resulted in the forced redirection of flight FR4978, the detention of the aircraft, its passengers and the crew, and the arrest of opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner, Sofia Sapega. This politically motivated decision was aimed at arresting and detaining opposition journalist Protasevich and Sapega and constitutes a form of repression against civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Viktor Khrenin is therefore responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** ~~21/06/2021~~ 09/08/2021 **Group ID:** 14113.

3. **KUBRAKOV, Ivan Uladzimiravich Vladimirovich**

Title: Major General ~~of~~ Police **DOB:** 05/05/1975. **POB:** Malinovka village, Mogilev Oblast, ~~former~~ USSR ~~Currently~~ *(now Belarus)* **a.k.a:** KUBRAKOV, Ivan, ~~Vladimirovich Uladzimiravich~~ **Nationality:** Belarusian **Address:** *Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Belarus, 4 Gorodskoi Val Street, Minsk, Belarus, 220030* **Position:** ~~Head of the Main Internal Affairs Directorate of the Minsk City Executive Committee~~ *Minister of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Belarus* **Other Information:** *Former Head of the Main Internal Affairs Directorate of the Minsk City Executive Committee and Major-General of Police* (UK Sanctions List Ref): BEL0014 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): In his position as Head of the Main Internal Affairs Directorate of the Minsk City Executive Committee and Major-General of Police, Ivan Kubrakov ~~is was~~ responsible for the repression and intimidation campaign led by police forces in the wake of the 2020 presidential election. Following his appointment as Minister of Internal Affairs in October 2020, Kubrakov is responsible for all law enforcement agencies operating under the aegis of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, including the Special Rapid Response Unit (SOBR); the Special Purpose Police Detachment (OMON/AMAP); the Main Directorate for Combatting Organised Crime and Corruption (GUBOPiK) and the paramilitary MVD Internal Troops. SOBR and OMON units were at the forefront of the use of violence to repress peaceful demonstrators following the 9 August 2020 presidential election, including after Kubrakov's appointment. Since Kubrakov's appointment, GUBOPiK has continued to carry out raids on the homes and offices of journalists, political activists and human rights defenders. GUBOPiK officers were also involved in the arrest of journalist Roman Protasevich and his partner Sofia Sapega following the forced diversion by the Belarusian regime of Ryanair flight FR4978 on 23 May 2021. In his role as Minister of Internal Affairs, Kubrakov bears responsibility for the serious human rights violations and repression of civil society or democratic opposition in Belarus carried out by law enforcement agencies. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 05/05/2020 **Last Updated:** ~~31/12/2020~~ 09/08/2021 **Group ID:** 13936.

4. **LUKASHENKO, Alexander Ryhorovich Grigorievich**
Title: President **DOB:** 30/08/1954. **POB:** Kopys, Vitebsk/Viciebsk district, former USSR (currently Belarus) **a.k.a:** (1) LUKASHENKA, Aleksandr, Grigorievich (2) LUKASHENKA, Aleksandr, Grogorievich (3) LUKASHENKA, Aleksandr, Ryhoravich (4) LUKASHENKA, Alexander, Grigorievich (5) LUKASHENKA, Alexander, Ryhoravich (6) LUKASHENKA, Aliaksandr, Grigorievich (7) LUKASHENKA, Aliaksandr, Ryhoravich (8) LUKASHENKO, Aleksandr, Grigorievich (9) LUKASHENKO, Aleksandr, Grogorievich (10) LUKASHENKO, Aleksandr, Ryhoravich (11) ~~LUKASHENKO, Alexander, Grigorievich~~ (12) LUKASHENKO, Alexander, Ryhoravich (13) LUKASHENKO, Aliaksandr, Grigorievich (14) LUKASHENKO, Aliaksandr, Ryhoravich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Address:** Independence Palace, Prospekte Pobeditelei, Minsk, Belarus. **Position:** President of Belarus **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0050 and BEL0045 Listed under the Global Human Rights and Belarus sanctions regimes. (UK Statement of Reasons): Alexander Lukashenko is the President of Belarus. He has held near absolute authority in his 26 years in power and maintains close control over the security apparatus of the State. This authority has remained in place since the 9 August 2020 Presidential election and he is ultimately responsible for the violence against protestors and journalists and the Lukashenko regime's campaign to repress civil society and democratic opposition, and undermine the rule of law, that has followed the disputed election result in Belarus. Lukashenko has not called out violence and has expressed support for security services. Alexander Lukashenko has therefore been responsible for serious violations of human rights, the repression of civil society or democratic opposition in Belarus, or other actions, policies or activities which undermine democracy or the rule of law in Belarus in the weeks following 9 August 2020, and has been involved in promoting such violations activities. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 29/09/2020 **Last Updated:** ~~31/12/2020~~ 09/08/2021 **Group ID:** 13918.

5. **LUKASHENKO, Viktor Aliksandravich**
Title: National Security Advisor **DOB:** 28/11/1975. **POB:** Mohilev/Mogilev/Mahiliou, former USSR (currently now Belarus) **a.k.a:** (1) LUKASHENKA, Viktor, Aleksandrovich (2) LUKASHENKA, Viktor, Aliksandravich (3) LUKASHENKA, Viktor, Aleksandrovich (4) LUKASHENKO, Viktor, Aleksandrovich (5) LUKASHENKO, Viktor, Aliksandravich (6) LUKASHENKO, Viktor, Aleksandrovich (7) LUKASHENKA, Viktor, Aliksandravich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Address:** Belarus. **Position:** President of the National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Belarus (2) former National Security Advisor to the President **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0051 and BEL0047 Listed under the Global Human Rights and Belarus sanctions regimes. (Further Identifying Information): Son of the President (UK Statement of Reasons): Viktor Lukashenko is the former National Security Adviser to the President of Belarus and a former member of the Security Council of Belarus. In these roles, he oversees law enforcement and the security services and is was therefore responsible for the serious human rights violations perpetrated against protestors and journalists following the Presidential election on 9 August 2020. Since February 2021, Viktor Lukashenko has been the President of the National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Belarus (NOC). Prior to this, he was the First Vice President of the NOC. The International Olympic Committee has adopted measures against the NOC for not appropriately protecting athletes from reprisals against them for protesting the 9 August 2020 elections and subsequent violent suppression of peaceful protests. Viktor Lukashenko is therefore responsible for supporting the Lukashenko regime in its repression of civil society or democratic opposition or other actions, policies or activities which undermine democracy or the rule of law in Belarus. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 06/11/2020 **Last Updated:** ~~31/12/2020~~ 09/08/2021 **Group ID:** 13919.

6. **SERGEENKO, Igor Petrovich**

Title: Chief of Staff *to the President* **DOB:** 14/01/1963. **POB:** Stolitsa, Vitebsk/Viciebsk region, former USSR (currently Belarus) **a.k.a:** (1) SERGEENKO, Igor, Piatrovich (2) SERGEENKO, Ihar, Petrovich (3) SERGEENKO, Ihar, Piatrovich (4) SERGEYENKO, Igor, Piatrovich (5) SERGEYENKO, Ihar, Petrovich (6) SERGEYENKO, Ihar, Piatrovich (7) SERGYAENKA, Igor, Piatrovich (8) SERGYAENKA, Ihar, Petrovich (9) SERGYAENKA, Ihar, Piatrovich (10) SIARHEENKA, Igor, Piatrovich (11) SIARHEENKA, Ihar, Petrovich (12) SIARHEENKA, Ihar, Piatrovich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Address:** Belarus. **Position:** Chief of Staff to the President of Belarus (a.k.a. Head of the Presidential Administration) **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0052 and BEL0046 Listed under the Global Human Rights and Belarus sanctions regimes. (Further Identifying Information): Former First Deputy Head of the KGB, former Head of the KGB of the Mogilev/Mohilev region. (UK Statement of Reasons): Igor Sergeenko is the Chief of Staff to the President of Belarus, Alexander Lukashenko, also known as the Head of the Presidential Administration of Belarus. In this role, Sergeenko has significant influence over the Belarusian authorities' response to the post-election protests, including serious human rights violations, the repression of civil society or democratic opposition in Belarus and actions and policies or activities which undermine democracy or the rule of law in Belarus. Sergeenko also plays an important coordinating role over state bodies, including the working relationship between the President and the Belarusian Ministry of the Interior and its internal security forces, which are responsible for treatment amounting to serious human rights violations. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 29/09/2020 **Last Updated:** ~~31/12/2020~~ 09/08/2021 **Group ID:** 13920.

7. **TERTEL, Ivan Stanislavovich ~~Stanislavovich~~ *Stanislavovich***

DOB: 08/09/1966. **POB:** (1) Village Privalki (2) Privalka in Hrodna/Grodno Oblast, Former USSR Currently Belarus **a.k.a:** TERTEL, Ivan, ~~Stanislavovich~~ *Stanislavovich* **Nationality:** Belarusian **Address:** 17, Nezavisimosti Ave., Minsk, Belarus, 220030 **Position:** (1) Chairman of *the State Security Committee (KGB)* (2) Former Chairman of the State Control Committee **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): BEL0057 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Ivan Tertel was appointed Chairman of the State Security Committee (KGB) on 3 September 2020. He was formerly the Chairman of the State Control Committee and before that Deputy Chairman of the KGB. In his role as Chairman of the State Security Committee, he has overall responsibility for the State Security Committee including the involvement of KGB officers in serious human rights violations and abuses against detained protestors and journalists, which ~~they have~~ *were* carried out ~~since~~ *after* the election of 9 August 2020. *Furthermore, in his former capacity as Chairman of the State Control Committee, Tertel was involved in a campaign of intimidation and harassment of a leading opponent of Lukashenko, and therefore involved in the repression of democratic opposition.* (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 06/11/2020 **Last Updated:** ~~31/12/2020~~ 09/08/2021 **Group ID:** 13985.

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