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Financial Sanctions Notice

12/08/2021

SYRIA

Introduction

1. The Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/792) 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 involved in repressing the civilian population in Syria or who is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime and who are or have been carrying on prohibited activities related to chemical weapons.
2. On 12 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 removed from the consolidated list and is no longer subject to an asset freeze:
 - Tarif AKHRAS (Group ID: 12060)

Further Information

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

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

6. The Consolidated List can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets>

7. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list>

8. For more information please see OFSI's guide to financial sanctions:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-financial-sanctions-guidance>

9. 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)

10. **Enquiries**

Enquiries regarding this Financial Sanctions Notice should be addressed to:

The Sanctions Coordinator
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ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: SYRIA

THE SYRIA (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/792)

DELISTING

Individual

1. AKHRAS, Tarif

DOB: 02/06/1951. **POB:** Homs, Syria **Passport Details:** 0000092405 (Syrian) **Position:** Founder of the Akhras Group, (commodities, trading, processing and logistics) **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0230 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (Further Identifying Information):Chairman of the Homs Chamber of Commerce. Member of the Board of Federation of Syrian Chambers of Commerce. (UK Statement of Reasons):Prominent businessman benefiting from and supporting the regime. Founder of the Akhras Group (commodities, trading, processing and logistics) and former Chairman of the Homs Chamber of Commerce. Close business relations with President Al-Assad's family. Member of the Board of the Federation of Syrian Chambers of Commerce. Provided logistical support for the regime (buses and tank loaders). (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 05/09/2011 **Last Updated:** ~~31/12/2020~~ 12/08/2021 **Group ID:** 12060.

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation

HM Treasury

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PROCEDURE FOR REMOVING PERSONS FROM THE CONSOLIDATED LIST AND UN-FREEZING ASSETS:

On receipt of the Financial Sanction Notices where an entry has been removed from the consolidated list and is no longer subject to any assets freeze:

“You must immediately on receipt of the Financial Sanction Notice advising of removal of person and/or entity from the Consolidated List –

- i. Check whether you have frozen assets of any person or entity removed from the Consolidated List and verify that the person or entity is no longer subject to an asset freeze.
- ii. Remove the person or entity from your institution’s list of persons or entities subject to financial sanction;
- iii. Un-freeze the assets of the person or entity and where necessary re-activate all relevant accounts;
- iv. Send advice to person or entity that the assets are no longer subject to an asset freeze;
- v. Advise the FRA at financialsanctions@gov.ky of the actions taken.

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