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Financial Sanctions Notice **07/12/2023**

Cyber

Introduction

1. The Cyber (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/597) ("the Regulations") were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 ("the Sanctions Act") and provide for the imposition of financial sanctions, namely the freezing of funds and economic resources of persons who are have been involved in cyber activity which undermines, or is intended to undermine, the integrity, prosperity or security of the United Kingdom or a country other than the United Kingdom; directly or indirectly causes, or is intended to cause, economic loss to, or prejudice to the commercial interests of, those affected by the activity; undermines, or is intended to undermine, the independence or effective functioning of an international organisations or a nongovernment organisation or forum whose mandate or purposes related to the governance of international sport or the Internet; or otherwise affects a significant number of persons in an indiscriminate manner.

2. On 7 December 2023 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 entries have been added to the Consolidated List and are now subject to an asset freeze:

    - Andrey Stanislavovich KORINETS (Group ID: 16278)
    - Ruslan Aleksandrovich PERETYATKO (Group ID: 16277)

What <u>you</u> must do

5. 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 and any entities owned or controlled by them;

ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources;

iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or economic resources or making them available directly or indirectly to or for the benefit of designated persons unless licensed by the Governor or if an exception applies;

iv. report any findings to the FRA at financialsanctions@gov.ky, together with the information or other matter on which the knowledge or suspicion is based by completing and submitting a Compliance Reporting Form (CRF). Where the information relates to funds or economic resources, the nature and quantity should also be reported.

6. Information received by the FRA may be disclosed to third parties in accordance with the Regulation and in compliance with applicable data protection laws.

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

Ransomware and Sanctions

8. Making or facilitating a ransomware payment risks exposing those involved to civil or criminal penalties where such payments are made to designated persons.

9. OFSI, in partnership with other HM Government organisations has published guidance on sanctions and ransomware, which includes information on the impact of ransomware payments, cyber resilience and HM Government's approach to enforcement.

10. Guidance on ransomware and sanctions can be found here:

    https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-faqs

Further Information

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

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

12. The Consolidated List can be found here:

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

13. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

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

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

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

15. For general information on financial sanctions please see our Financial Sanctions Guidance

    http://fra.gov.ky/app/webroot/files/FRA%20Financial%20Sanctions%20Guidance%20updated%20December%2029%202021%202.pdf

Enquiries

16. Enquiries regarding this Financial Sanctions Notice should be addressed to:

    The Sanctions Coordinator
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ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: CYBER

THE CYBER (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2020 (S.I. 2020/597)

ADDITIONS

Individuals

1. **KORINETS, Andrey Stanislavovich**
   Name (non-Latin script): Андрей Станиславович КОРИНЕЦ
   DOB: 18/05/1987. **POB:** Russia **a.k.a:** DOGUZHIEV, Alexey **Nationality:** Russia **Passport Number:** 8707233962 **Address:** Komi Republic, Syktyvkar, Russia. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): CYB0042. (UK Statement of Reasons): Andrey Stanislavovich KORINETS, a member of the Callisto Group (AKA Seaborgium, Star Blizzard, Cold River), is or has been involved in relevant cyber activity, including providing technical assistance that could contribute to relevant cyber activity. This included the preparation of spear-phishing campaigns and associated activity that resulted in unauthorised access and exfiltration of sensitive data. This action undermined, or was intended to undermine, the integrity, prosperity and security of UK organisations and more broadly, the UK government, and directly or indirectly caused, or was intended to cause, economic loss to, or prejudice to the commercial interests of, those affected by the activity. The Callisto Group, a cyber programme operated by officers of the Russian FSB, was responsible for intrusions into the Institute for Statecraft (IfS), a UK-based think tank responsible for a programme to research, publicise, and counter the threat to European democracies from disinformation and other forms of hybrid warfare. Official documents belonging to IfS were released in the hack and subsequent leak, resulting from the preparation of spear-phishing campaigns and associated activity. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 07/12/**2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 07/12/2023 **Last Updated:** 07/12/2023 **Group ID:** 16278.

2. **PERETYATKO, Ruslan Aleksandrovich**
   Name (non-Latin script): Руслан Александрович ПЕРЕТЯТЬКО
   DOB: 03/08/1985. **POB:** Russia **Nationality:** Russia **Passport Number:** 8705080546 **Address:** Komi Republic, Russia. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): CYB0041. (UK Statement of Reasons): Ruslan Aleksandrovich PERETYATKO, a Russian FSB Intelligence Officer and a member of the Callisto Group (AKA Seaborgium, Star Blizzard, Cold River), is or has been involved in relevant cyber activity, including being responsible for, engaging in, providing support for, or promoting the commission, planning or preparation of relevant cyber activity. This included the preparation of spear-phishing campaigns and associated activity that resulted in unauthorised access and exfiltration of sensitive data. This action undermined, or was intended to undermine, the integrity, prosperity and security of UK organisations and more broadly, the UK government, and directly or indirectly caused, or was intended to cause, economic loss to, or prejudice to the commercial interests of, those affected by the activity. The Callisto Group, a cyber programme operated by officers of the Russian FSB, was responsible for intrusions into the Institute for Statecraft (IfS), a UK-based think tank responsible for a programme to research, publicise, and counter the threat to European democracies from disinformation and other forms of hybrid warfare. Official documents belonging to IfS were released in the hack and subsequent leak, resulting from the preparation of spear-phishing campaigns and associated activity. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 07/12/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 07/12/2023 **Last Updated:** 07/12/2023 **Group ID:** 16277.

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