

# **Financial Sanctions Notification**

24/06/2011

# **Syria**

# Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 611/2011

This notification is issued in respect of the asset-freezing measures directed by the Council of the European Union against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Syria.

- With the publication of Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 611/2011 of 23 June 2011
  ["Regulation 611/2011"] in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L164, 24.6.2011,
  P.1) on 24 June 2011, the Council of the European Union has amended Annex II to Council
  Regulation (EU) No 442/2011 ["Regulation 442/2011"], with effect from 24 June 2011.
- 2. Annex II to Regulation 442/2011 lists persons, entities or bodies that have been designated by the Council as responsible for the violent repression of the civilian population in Syria, and natural or legal persons and entities associated with them.
- 3. The amendments to Annex II to Regulation 442/2011 take the form of the addition of seven individuals and four entities.
- 4. The individuals and entities added to Annex II are therefore subject to the asset freeze imposed by Regulation 442/2011.
- 5. Details of the amendments made to Annex II are set out in the Annex to this notification.
- 6. The Treasury's Consolidated List of individuals and entities subject to financial sanctions in effect in the UK, which is maintained on the Treasury website, has been updated to reflect the amendments.

## Reporting requirements

7. Relevant institutions and other persons are requested to check whether they maintain any accounts or otherwise hold any funds or economic resources for the persons in Annex II to Regulation 442/2011, and, if so, they must freeze such accounts or other funds and, unless

licensed by the Treasury, refrain from making available funds and/or economic resources to

such persons.

8. Relevant institutions must report their findings to the Treasury, together with any additional

information that would facilitate compliance with Regulation 442/2011.

9. Where a relevant institution has <u>already reported</u> details of accounts, other funds or

economic resources held frozen for any of the persons in Annex II, they are not required to

report these details again.

Other information

10. Copies of relevant Releases, EU Regulations and UK legislation can be obtained from the Syria

regime page on the financial sanctions pages of the Treasury website: http://www.hm-

treasury.gov.uk/fin sanctions syria.htm.

**Enquiries** 

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

Asset Freezing Unit HM Treasury 1 Horse Guards Road London SW1A 2HQ

E-mail: AFU@hmtreasury.gsi.gov.uk

Website: www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/fin sanctions index.htm

12. Media enquiries should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.

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#### ANNEX TO NOTIFICATION

#### FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: SYRIA

# **COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) NO 611/2011** AMENDING ANNEX II TO COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) NO 442/2011

#### **ADDITIONS**

## **Individuals**

## 1. AL-QUWATLI, Ra'if

a.k.a: AL-QUWATLI, Ri'af

Other Information: Business associate of Maher Al-Assad. Provides funding to the regime.

Group ID: 12016

# 2. CHALICHE, Riyad

a.k.a: SHALISH, Riyad

Position: Director of Military Housing Establishment

Other Information: Provides funding to the regime. First cousin of President Bashar Al-Assad.

Group ID: 12014

## 3. CHALICHE, Zoulhima

DOB: (1) --/--/1946

(2) --/--/1951

POB: Kerdaha

a.k.a: SHALISH, Dhu al-Himma

Position: Head of presidential security

Other Information: Involved in violence against demonstrators. First cousin of President

Bashar Al-Assad. Group ID: 12013

# 4. JAFARI, Mohammad, Ali

Title: Brigadier Commander

DOB: 01/09/1957 POB: Yazd, Iran a.k.a: (1) JAFARI, Ali (2) JA'FARI, Aziz

(3) JA'FARI, Mohammad, Ali

(4) JAFARI-NAJAFABADI, Mohammad, Ali

Position: General Commander of Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps

Other Information: Involved in providing equipment and support to help the Syria regime

suppress protests in Syria.

Group ID: 10638 SEE NOTE BELOW

#### 5. QADDUR, Khalid

Other Information: Business associate of Maher Al-Assad. Provides funding to the regime.

Group ID: 12015

## 6. SOLEIMANI, Qasem

Title: Major General a.k.a: SOLEIMANY, Qasim

Position: Commander of Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps, IRGC – Qods.

Other Information: UN Ref I.47.D.6 (Iran-nuc prol). Involved in providing equipment to help

the Syria regime suppress protests in Syria.

Group ID: 9062 SEE NOTE BELOW

## 7. TAEB, Hossein

Title: Hojjatoleslam
DOB: --/--/1963
POB: Tehran, Iran
a.k.a: (1) TAEB, Hassan
(2) TAEB, Hosein

(3) TAEB, Hussayn

(4) TA'EB, Hossein

Position: Deputy Commander for Intelligence of Iranian Revolutionary Guard Corps

Other Information: Involved in providing equipment and support to help the Syria regime suppress protests in Syria.

Group ID: 11788

SEE NOTE BELOW

#### **Entities**

## 1. AL MASHREQ INVESTMENT FUND (AMIF)

a.k.a: Sunduq Al Mashrek Al Istithmari

Address: PO Box 108, Damascus

Other Information: Tel 963 112110059 and 963 112110043. Fax 963 933333149. Controlled

by Rami Makhlouf. Provides funding to the regime.

Group ID: 12018

#### 2. BENA PROPERTIES

Other Information: Controlled by Rami Makhlouf. Provides funding to the regime.

Group ID: 12017

# 3. HAMCHO INTERNATIONAL

a.k.a: Hamsho International Group

Address: Baghdad Street, PO Box 8254, Damascus

Other Information: Tel 963 112316675. Fax 963 112318875. Website <a href="www.hamshointl.com">www.hamshointl.com</a>. Email <a href="mailto:info@hamshointl.com">info@hamshointl.com</a> and <a href="mailto:hamshogroup@yahoo.com">hamshogroup@yahoo.com</a>. Controlled by Mohammad

Hamcho or Hamsho. Provides funding to the regime.

Group ID: 12019

# 4. MILITARY HOUSING ESTABLISHMENT

a.k.a: MILIHOUSE

Other Information: Public works company controlled by Riyad Shalish and Ministry of

Defence. Provides funding to the regime.

Group ID: 12011

## NOTE

Mohammad Ali JAFARI, Qasem SOLEIMANI and Hossein TAEB are listed by the UN and/or the EU, and included on the Treasury's consolidated list, under Council Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 [Iran - Human rights] and/or Council Regulation (EU) No 961/2010 [Iran - Nuclear Proliferation].

With their listing by the EU in connection with the situation in Syria, the existing details on the consolidated list have been amalgamated and updated into a single Group ID for each individual. The ongoing Group ID is provided in the above listing details. For information, set out below are the entries previously on the consolidated list that today have been amalgamated and replaced by the above listing details.

#### JAFARI, Mohammad, Ali

Position: Commander of the IRGC

Group ID: 10638 - Now amended

[Iran - nuclear proliferation] [EU listing]

## JAFARI, Mohammad-Ali

DOB: 01/09/1957 POB: Yazd, Iran a.k.a: JAFARI, Aziz

Position: General Commander of the IRGC

Group ID: 11804 - Now deleted

[Iran – human rights] [EU Listing]

## SOLEIMANI, Qasem

Title: Brigadier-General

Position: Commander of Qods force Other Information: UN Ref I.47.D.6.

Group ID: 9062 – Now amended

[Iran – nuclear proliferation] [UN listing]

#### TAEB, Hossein

DOB: --/--/1963 POB: Tehran, Iran

Position: Deputy IRGC commander for intelligence

Other Information: Former Commander of the Basij (until Oct 2009)

Group ID: 11788 – Now amended

[Iran – human rights] [EU listing]

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