

# **Financial Sanctions Notice**

26/06/2012

# **Syria**

# Council Implementing Regulation 2012/544/CFSP and Council Regulation (EU) No 545/2012

This notice is issued in respect of the restrictive measures directed by the Council of the European Union in view of the situation in Syria.

- 1. With the publication of Council Implementing Regulation 2012/544/CFSP of 25 June 2012 in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L165, 26.6.2012, p.20) on 26 June, the Council has amended Annex II to Council Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 ["Regulation 36/2012"], with effect from 26 June 2012.
- 2. Council Regulation (EU) No 545/2012 of 25 June 2012 published in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L165, 26.6.2012, p.23) on 26 June, further develops the application of restrictive measures related to financial assistance in the context of the arms embargo.
- 3. Annex II to Regulation 36/2012 lists persons, entities or bodies identified by the Council as being responsible for the violent repression of the civilian population in Syria, persons and entities benefiting from or supporting the regime, and natural or legal persons and entities associated with them.
- 4. The changes to Annex II to Regulation 36/2012 take the form of the addition of 1 individual and 6 entities.
- 5. The individuals and entities added to Annex II are therefore subject to the asset freeze imposed by Regulation 36/2012.
- 6. Details of the additions are set out in the Annex to this notice.
- 7. The Treasury's Consolidated List of persons subject to financial sanctions in effect in the UK, which is maintained on the Treasury website, has been updated to reflect the additions.

# **Reporting requirements**

8. 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 set out in the Annex to this notice whose details have been added to Annex II to Regulation 36/2012, 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.

9. Relevant institutions must report their findings to the Treasury, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with Regulation 36/2012.

## Council Regulation (EU) No 545/2012

10. Council Regulation (EU) No 545/2012 replaces the previous text of Regulation 36/2012, Article 3, paragraphs 1 and 4. This clarifies the provisions on direct or indirect insurance and reinsurance related to the sale, supply, transport or export of military technology etc. Enquiries about these provisions should be addressed to:

Export Control Organisation Department for Business Innovation and Skills 3rd Floor, 1 Victoria Street London SW1H 0ET

E-mail: eco.help@bis.gsi.gov.uk

Telephone: 020 7215 4594 / Fax: 020 7215 2635

http://www.bis.gov.uk/exportcontrol

#### Other information

11. Copies of Council Implementing Regulation 2012/544/CFSP and Council Regulation (EU) No 545/2012 can be obtained from the Official Journal of the European Union website at:

 $\underline{http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:165:0020:0022:EN:PDF}$  and

http://eur-lex.europa.eu/LexUriServ/LexUriServ.do?uri=OJ:L:2012:165:0023:0024:EN:PDF

12. Copies of relevant Releases, certain EU Regulations and UK legislation can be obtained from the Syria page on the Financial Sanctions pages of the Treasury website:

http://www.hm-treasury.gov.uk/fin\_sanctions\_syria.htm.

## **Enquiries**

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

Sanctions and Illicit Finance Asset Freezing Unit HM Treasury

# 1 Horse Guards Road London SW1A 2HQ

E-mail: <u>AFU@hmtreasury.gsi.gov.uk</u>

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

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#### **ANNEX TO NOTICE**

#### **FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: SYRIA**

# COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION 2012/544/CFSP AMENDING ANNEX II TO COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) NO 36/2012

#### **ADDITIONS**

#### **INDIVIDUALS**

#### 1. SHAABAN, Bouthaina

DOB: --/--/1953. POB: Homs, Syria

a.k.a: SHAABAN, Buthaina

Position: Political and Media Advisor to the President

Other Information: Political and Media Advisor to the President since July 2008.

Group ID: 12690.

#### **ENTITIES**

#### 2. GENERAL ORGANISATION OF RADIO AND TV

a.k.a: (1) General Radio and Television Corporation

(2) GORT

(3) Radio and Television Corporation

(4) Syrian Directorate General of Radio & Television Est

Address: Al Oumaween Square, P.O. Box 250, Damascus, Syria.

Other Information: Stare-run agency subordinate to Syria's Ministry of Information.

Telephone: +963-11-2234930

Group ID: 12695.

#### 3. MINISTRY OF DEFENCE

Address: Umayyad Square, Damascus.

Other Information: Syrian government branch. Telephone: +963-11-7770700

Group ID: 12691.

#### 4. MINISTRY OF INTERIOR

Address: Merjeh Square, Damascus.

Other Information: Syrian government branch. Telephone: +963-11-2219400, +963-

11-2219401, +963-11-2220220, +963-11-2210404

Group ID: 12692.

#### 5. SYRIA INTERNATIONAL ISLAMIC BANK (SIIB)

a.k.a: (1) SIIB

(2) Syrian International Islamic Bank

Address: (1) P.O. Box 35494, Mezza'h Vellat Sharqia'h, beside the Consulate of Saudi Arabia, Damascus, Syria.

(2) Syria International Islamic Bank Building, Main Highway Road, Al Mazzeh Area, P.O. Box 35494, Damascus, Syria.

Other Information: SIIB has acted as a front for the Commercial Bank of Syria. Group ID: 12694.

# 6. SYRIAN COMPANY FOR OIL TRANSPORT

a.k.a: (1) SCOT (2) SCOTRACO

(3) Syrian Crude Oil Transportation Company

Address: Banias Industrial Area, Latakia Entrance Way, P.O. Box 13, Banias, Syria. Other Information: Website <a href="https://www.scot-syria.com">www.scot-syria.com</a>; Email <a href="mailto:scot50@scn-net.org">scot50@scn-net.org</a> Group ID: 12696.

# 7. SYRIAN NATIONAL SECURITY BUREAU

Other Information: Syrian government branch and element of the Syrian Ba'ath Party. Group ID: 12693.

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