

Financial Sanctions Notice

16/02/2022

Iran (Human Rights)

Introduction

- 1. The Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/134) 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 the commission of serious human rights violations or abuse in Iran.
- 2. This notice is to issue a correction to 10 listings in the new version of the consolidated list bringing the entries in line with the UK Sanctions List.
- 3. Further, 2 entries have been updated in the previous version of the consolidated list.

Notice summary

- 4. 8 entries have been amended on the new version of the consolidated list and are still subject to an asset freeze:
 - Abbas JAFARI-DOLATABADI (Group ID: 11795)
 - Abbas PIR-ABASSI (Group ID: 11799)
 - Abdolghassem SALAVATI (Group ID: 11801)
 - Abdolsamad KHORAMABADI (Group ID: 12865)
 - Ali Ashraf RASHIDI AGHDAM (Group ID: 12849)
 - Ali Asghar HEJAZI (Group ID: 12650)
 - Gholam-Hossein MOHSENI-EJEI (Group ID: 11797)
 - Hossein TALA (Group ID: 12194)

- 5. Duplicate aliases have been removed from the following entries on non-HTML/PDF formats of the Consolidated List. No material changes have been made to the new version of the Consolidated List in HTML format:
 - Ali REZVANMA-NESH (Group ID: 12658)
 - Aziz HAJMOHAM-MADI (Group ID: 12198)
- 6. The following entry has been amended on the previous version of the consolidated list and remains subject to an asset freeze:
 - Hossein TAEB (Group ID: 11788)
 - Seyyed Solat MORTAZAVI (Group ID: 12653)

What <u>you</u> must do

- 7. 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 Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI);
 - iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with the Regulations;
 - v. provide any information concerning the frozen assets of designated persons that OFSI may request. Information reported to OFSI may be passed on to other regulatory authorities or law enforcement.
- 8. 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.
- 9. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Further Information

- 10. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Iran (human rights) financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-</u> consolidated-lists-and-releases
- 11. The Consolidated List can be found here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets</u>
- 12. Further details on changes to the new format of the consolidated list can be found here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-sanctions-list-change-in-</u> <u>format/uksanctions-list-change-to-the-lists-format</u>
- 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 our guide to financial sanctions: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-financial-sanctions-guidance</u>

Enquiries

15. Non-media enquiries about the implementation of financial sanctions in the UK should be addressed to:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury 1 Horse Guards Road London SW1A 2HQ ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk

- 16. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: sanctions@fcdo.gov.uk
- 17. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 18. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: IRAN (HUMAN RIGHTS)

THE IRAN (SANCTIONS) (HUMAN RIGHTS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/134)

AMENDMENTS TO NEW VERSION OF THE CONSOLIDATED LIST

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

<u>Individuals</u>

1. JAFARI-DOLATABADI, Abbas

DOB: (1) --/10/1957. (2) --/--/1953. POB: (1) Isfahan (2) Yazd, (1) Iran (2) Iran a.k.a: JA'FARI DOWLATABADI, Abbas Nationality: Iran Position: Former prosecutor general of Tehran (Aug 2009-Apr 2019) Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0002 (UK Statement of Reasons): Prosecutor general of Tehran. (August 2009 until May 2019). Dolatabadi's office indicted a large number of protesters, including individuals who took part in the December 2009 Ashura Day protests. He ordered the closure of Karroubi's office in September 2009 and the arrest of several reformist politicians, and he banned two reformist political parties in June 2010. His office charged protesters with the charge of Muharebeh, or enmity against God, which carries a death sentence, and denied due process to those facing the death sentence. His office also targeted and arrested reformists, human rights activists, and members of the media, as part of a broad crackdown on the political opposition. In October 2018 he announced to the media that four detained Iranian environmental activists were to be charged with "sowing corruption on earth", a charge which carries the death penalty. (Gender): Male Listed on: 14/04/2011 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 28/01/2022 16/02/2022 Group ID: 11795.

2. PIR-ABASSI, Abbas

a.k.a: (1) PIR ABASSI, Abbas (2) PIR ABASSI, Yahya (3) PIRABASSI, Abbas (4) PIRABASSI, Yahya (5) PIR-ABASSI, Yahya (6) PIRABBASI, Abbas (7) PIRABBASI, Yahya **Position**: Magistrate of a Criminal Chamber **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0003 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020. Former Judge, Tehran Revolutionary Court, branch 26. Former Judge, Tehran Revolutionary Court, branch 26. Former Judge, Tehran Revolutionary Court, branch 26. He was in charge of post-election cases, he issued long prison sentences during unfair trials against human rights activists and issued several death sentences for protesters. (Gender): Male Listed on: 14/04/2011 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 28/01/2022 <u>16/02/2022</u> Group ID: 11799.

3. SALAVATI, Abdolghassem

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DOB: 16/07/1967. POB: Tuykersan, Iran a.k.a: (1) SALAVATI, Abloqasem (2) SALAVATI, Abolghasem (3) SALAVATI, Abolqasem (4) SALAVATI, Abulghasem (5) SALAVATI, Abu'l-Qasim (6) SALEVATI, Abdolghassem (7) SALEVATI, Abloqasem (8) SALEVATI, Abolghasem (9) SALEVATI, Abolqasem (10) SALEVATI, Abulghasem (11) SALEVATI, Abu'l-Qasim (6) SALAVATI, Abolqasem (7) SALEVATI, Abulghasem (11) SALEVATI, Abu'l-Qasim (6) SALAVATI, Abolqasem (7) SALEVATI, Abulghasem Nationality: Iran Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0004 (UK Statement of Reasons): Judge, Head

of Tehran Revolutionary Court, Branch 15. Committing Judge in the Tehran Tribunal. In charge of the post-election cases, he was the judge presiding the 'show trials' in summer 2009. He condemned to death two monarchists that appeared in the show trials. He has sentenced more than a hundred political prisoners, human rights activists and demonstrators to lengthy prison sentences. In 2018, reports showed that he continued to hand down similar sentences without proper observance of fair hearing procedures. (Gender): Male Listed on: 14/04/2011 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 28/01/2022 16/02/2022 Group ID: 11801.

4. KHORAMABADI, Abdolsamad

a.k.a: KHORRAMABADI, Abdolsamad Position: (1) Head of 'Commission to Determine the Instances of Criminal Content'. (2) Deputy Director for Judicial Oversight since 13 October 2013 Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0006 (UK Statement of Reasons): Abdolsamad Khoramabadi, as Head of the 'Commission to Determine the Instances of Criminal Content', is or has been involved in a governmental organization in charge of online censorship and cyber crime. Under his leadership the Commission defined 'cybercrime' by a number of vague categories that criminalize creation and publication of content deemed inappropriate by the regime. He is responsible for repression and the blocking of numerous opposition sites, electronic newspapers, blogs, sites of human rights NGOs and of Google and Gmail since September 2012. He and the Commission actively contributed to the death in detention of the blogger Sattar Beheshti in November 2012. Thus the Commission is directly responsible for systemic violations of human rights, in particular by banning and filtering websites to the general public, and occasionally disabling Internet access altogether. (Gender): Male Listed on: 12/03/2013 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 28/01/2022 16/02/2022 Group ID: 12865.

5. <u>RASHIDI</u> AGHDAM, Ali Ashraf Rashidi

a.k.a: ROSTAMI AGHDAM, Ali, Ashraf **Position**: (1) Deputy Director General for Health and Rehabilitation of the General Directorate of the Prisons of Tehran (2) Former Head of Evin Prison **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0009 (UK Statement of Reasons): Former Head of Evin Prison, appointed in mid-2012. During his tenure, conditions in the prison deteriorated and reports referenced intensified ill-treatment of prisoners. In October 2012, nine female prisoners went on hunger strike in protest of the violation of their rights and violent treatment by prison guards. (Gender): Male **Listed on**: 12/03/2013 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated**: 31/12/2020 **Last Updated**: 28/01/2022 16/02/2022 **Group ID**: 12849.

6. HEJAZI, Ali Asghar

Title: Sayyed DOB: 08/09/1946. POB: Esfahan, Iran a.k.a: (1) HEJAZI, Ali, Asqar (2) HEJAZI, Asghar (3) HEJAZI, Asghar, Sadegh (4) MIR HEJAZI, Ali, Asghar (5) MIR HEJAZI, Ali, Asqar (6) MIR HEJAZI, Asghar (7) MIR HEJAZI, Asghar, Sadegh (8) MIR HEJAZI, Seyyed, Ali, Asghar <u>MIRHEJAZI, Ali, Asqar</u> (9) MIR HEJAZI RUHANI, Ali, Asgar <u>MIRHEJAZI, Asghar</u> (10) MIR-HEJAZI RUHANI, Ali, Asqar (11) MIR-HEJAZI RUHANI, Asghar (12) MIR-HEJAZI RUHANI, Asghar, Sadegh (13) MIR HEJAZI RUHANI, Seyyed, Ali, Asghar <u>MIRHEJAZI, Asghar</u> (16) MIR-HEJAZI, Ali, Asqar (17) MIR-HEJAZI, Ali (15) MIR-HEJAZI <u>RUHANI</u>, Ali, Asghar <u>MIRHEJAZI, Asghar</u> (16) MIR-HEJAZI, Ali, Asqar (17) MIR-HEJAZI, Asghar (18) MIR-HEJAZI, Asghar, Sadegh (19) MIR HEJAZI, Seyyed, Ali, Asghar (16) MIR-HEJAZI, Seyyed, Ali, Asghar <u>HEJAZI, Ali (20) HEJAZI, Seyyed, Ali, Asghar</u> Position: Deputy Chief of the Supreme Leader's Office and Head of Security Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0013 (UK Statement of Reasons): Part of the Supreme Leader's inner circle, one of those responsible for planning the suppression of protests which has been implemented since 2009, and associated with those responsible for suppressing

the protests. (Gender): Male Listed on: 29/03/2012 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 28/01/2022 <u>16/02/2022</u> Group ID: 12650.

7. MOHSENI-EJEI, Gholam-Hossein

DOB: --/--/1956. **POB**: Ejiyeh, <u>Isfahan, Iran</u> **Position**: (1) Former Prosecutor General of Iran (2) Deputy Head and spokesman of the Judiciary (3) Member of the Expediency Council (4) Former Minister of Intelligence (5) Chief Justice of Iran **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0032 (UK Statement of Reasons): Member of the Expediency Council. Prosecutor General of Iran since September 2009 and Deputy Head and spokesman of the Judiciary. Former Intelligence minister during the 2009 elections. While he was Intelligence minister during the 2009 election, intelligence agents under his command were responsible for detention, torture and extraction of false confessions under pressure from hundreds of activists, journalists, dissidents, and reformist politicians. In addition, political figures were coerced into making false confessions under unbearable interrogations, which included torture, abuse, blackmail, and the threatening of family members. **Listed on**: 14/04/2011 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated**: 31/12/2020 **Last Updated**: 28/01/2022 <u>16/02/2022</u> **Group ID**: 11797.

8. TALA, Hossein

DOB: --/--/1969. <u>POB: Tehran, Iran</u> Position: (1) Former Mayor of Eslamshahr (2) Former Iranian MP (3) Former Governor-General ('Farmandar') of Tehran Province Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0042 (UK Statement of Reasons): Former Governor-General ('Farmandar') of Tehran Province until September 2010, he was responsible for the intervention of police forces and therefore for the repression of demonstrations. He received a prize in December 2010 for his role in the post-election repression. (Gender): Male Listed on: 12/10/2011 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: <u>28/01/2022</u> <u>16/02/2022</u> Group ID: 12194

9. REZVANMA-NESH, Ali

a.k.a: REZVANMANESH, Ali **Position**: (1) Deputy prosecutor, province of Karaj, region of Alborz **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0014 (UK Statement of Reasons): As Deputy prosecutor province of Karaj, region of Alborz, he is responsible for grave violation of human rights, including involvement in the execution of a juvenile. (Gender): Male **Listed on**: 29/03/2012 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated**: 31/12/2020 **Last Updated**: 28/01/2022 <u>16/02/2022</u> **Group ID**: 12658.

10. HAJMOHAM-MADI, Aziz

DOB: --/--/1948. **a.k.a**: (1) HAJ-MOHAMMADI, Aziz (2) HAJMOHAM-MADI, Noorullah, Aziz (3) HAJ-MOHAMMADI, Noorullah, Aziz (4) MOHAMMADI, Aziz (5) MOHAMMADI, Noorullah, Aziz **Position**: Judge at the Tehran Provincial Criminal Court **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0022 (UK Statement of Reasons): Judge at the Tehran Provincial Criminal Court. He was involved in several trials of demonstrators, inter alia, that of Abdol-Reza Ghanbari, a teacher arrested in January 2010 and sentenced to death for his political activities. (Gender): Male Listed on: 12/10/2011 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 28/01/2022 <u>16/02/2022</u> Group ID: 12198.

AMENDMENTS TO PREVIOUS VERSION OF THE CONSOLIDATED LIST

<u>Individual</u>

1. TAEB, Hossein

DOB: 01/04/1963. POB: Tehran, Iran a.k.a: (1) TAEB, Hassan (2) TAEB, Hosein (3) TAEB,

Hoseyn **Position**: (1) Head of IRGC Intelligence (2) Former Deputy IRGC Commander for Intelligence (3) Former Commander of the Basij until October 2009 **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0041 and SYR0089 Listed under the Iran (Human Rights) and Syria sanctions regimes. (UK Statement of Reasons): Head of IRGC Intelligence since October 2009. Commander of the Basij until October 2009. Forces under his command participated in mass beatings, murders, detentions and tortures of peaceful protestors. (Gender): Male Listed on: 24/06/2011 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 14/02/2022 16/02/2022 Group ID: 11788.

2. MORTAZAVI, Seyyed Solat

DOB: (1) --/--/1967. (2) --/--/1961. POB: Farsan Tchar Mahal-o-Bakhtiari (South), Iran Position: (1) Former Director of the Tehran branch of the Foundation Astan Qods Razavi, until November 2019 (2) Former mayor of Mashad. Former Deputy Interior Minister for Political Affairs (3) Head of the Iranian Election Committee for the parliamentarian elections in 2012 and for the presidential elections in 2013 (4) Vice President for Executive Affairs Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): IHR0082 (UK Statement of Reasons): Former mayor of the second largest city of Iran, Mashad, where public executions regularly happen. Former Deputy Interior Minister for Political Affairs, appointed in 2009. In this capacity, he was responsible for directing repression of persons who spoke up in defence of their legitimate rights, including freedom of expression. Later appointed as Head of the Iranian Elections in 2013. (Gender): Male Listed on: 29/03/2012 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 28/01/2022 <u>16/02/2022</u> Group ID: 12653.

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