

Financial Sanctions Notice

28/07/2023

Central African Republic

Introduction

- 1. The Central African Republic (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/616) ("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 involved in the commission of a serious human rights violation or abuse, or a violation of international humanitarian law, in the Central African Republic; an attack against, or obstruction of the activities of diplomatic personnel, regional or international monitoring and peace-support missions and mechanisms, or personnel undertaking humanitarian assistance activity in the Central African Republic; obstruction of the delivery or distribution of, or access to, humanitarian assistance in the Central African Republic; the provision of support for armed groups or criminal networks in the Central African Republic; or any other action, policy or activity which undermines or threatens the peace, stability and security of the Central African Republic.
- 2. 2 entries have been corrected on the Consolidated List, bringing the entries in line with the UK Sanctions List.

Notice summary

- 3. The following entries have been corrected and are still subject to an asset freeze:
 - Alexander Alexandrovich IVANOV (Group ID: 16036)
 - Vitalii Viktorovitch PERFILEV (Group ID: 16031)

What you must do

You must:

- 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 Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI) or if an exception applies;
- iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with the information or other matter on which the knowledge or suspicion is based. Where the information relates to funds or economic resources, the nature and quantity should also be reported.
- 4. Information received by OFSI may be disclosed to third parties in accordance with provisions set out in the Information and Records part of the regulations and in compliance with applicable data protection laws.
- 5. 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.
- 6. Information regarding a suspected designated person, and funds or economic resources belonging to them, does not need to be disclosed to OFSI where it has previously been reported.
- 7. Failure to comply with UK financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions may be a criminal offence.

Further Information

8. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Central African Republic financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:

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

 Further details on the UN measures in respect of the Central African Republic can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage: https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/information.

10. The UN Consolidated List can be found here:

https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/list-updates-unsc-consolidated-list.

11. The Consolidated List can be found here:

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

12. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

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

13. The Compliance Reporting Form can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/suspected-breach-of-financial-sanctions-what-to-do.

14. For more information please see our financial sanctions guidance:

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

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: fcdo.correspondence@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: CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2020

CORRECTIONS

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

Individuals

1. IVANOV, Alexander Alexandrovich

Name (non-Latin script): Глава Содружества офицеров

DOB: 14/06/1960. Nationality: Russia Address: Bangui, Central African Republic. Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):CAF0023. (UK Statement of Reasons): Alexander Alexandrovich IVANOV is an involved person under the Central African Republic (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 as he is a member of, or associated with, a person who is or has been involved in a relevant activity, the Wagner Group. The Wagner Group is or has been an involved person since it is or has engaged in a relevant activity namely the commission of violations of international humanitarian law in the Central African Republic including the deliberate targeting of civilians. (Gender):Male Listed on: 20/07/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 20/07/2023 Last Updated: 20/07/2023 28/07/2023 Group ID: 16036.

2. PERFILEV, Vitalii Viktorovitch

DOB: 09/11/1983. 11/09/1983 POB: Novossibirsk, Russia Nationality: Russia Passport Number: NR 75 2987491 Passport Details: Date of delivery: 30/03/2016 Expiration date: 30/03/2026 Address: Bangui, Central African Republic. Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):CAF0022. (UK Statement of Reasons): As head of Wagner in the Central African Republic (CAR) and a top security advisor to the president, Vitalii Viktorovitch Perfilev (PERFILEV) is an involved person under the Central African Republic (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 as he is responsible for the commission of violations of international humanitarian law (IHL) in relation to deliberate targeting of civilians. (Gender):Male Listed on: 20/07/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 20/07/2023 Last Updated: 20/07/2023 Group ID: 16031.

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