

Financial Sanctions Notice

19/06/2023

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Introduction

- 1. The Democratic Republic of the Congo (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 ("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 violation of international humanitarian law, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; obstructing or undermining respect for democracy, the rule of law and good governance in the Democratic Republic of the Congo of improvised explosive devices, or in the commission, planning, ordering, aiding, abetting or otherwise assistance of attacks in the Democratic Republic of the Congo with improvised explosive devices.
- 2. On 19 June 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:

• Desire Londroma NDJUKPA (Group ID: 15989)

• William YAKUTUMBA (Group ID: 15988)

What you must do

5. 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.

6. 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.

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 Democratic Republic of the Congo 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 Democratic Republic of the Congo 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: DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019

ADDITIONS

Individuals

1. NDJUKPA, Desire Londroma

Name (non-Latin script): Désiré Londroma Ndjukpa

a.k.a: LOKANZA, Desire, Lokana (non-Latin script: Désiré Lokana Lokanza) Address: Congo (Democratic Republic). Position: Commander of CODECO URDPC Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):DRC0063. (UK Statement of Reasons): Desiré Londroma NDJUKPA is an involved person under the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been involved in the commission of serious violations of international humanitarian law in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, including rape, mass rape and other forms of sexual and gender-based violence, through his role as a leader of CODECO-URDPC. (Gender):Male Listed on: 19/06/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 19/06/2023 Last Updated: 19/06/2023 Group ID: 15989.

2. YAKUTUMBA, William

DOB: --/--/1970. **Address:** Congo (Democratic Republic). **Position:** Leader of the Mai-Mai Yakutumba **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):DRC0062. (UK Statement of Reasons): William YAKUTUMBA is an "involved person" under the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been involved in the commission of violations of international humanitarian law in the Democratic Republic of the Congo, including rape, mass rape and other forms of sexual and gender-based violence, through his role as leader of the Mai-Mai Yakutumba. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 19/06/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 19/06/2023 **Last Updated:** 19/06/2023 **Group ID:** 15988.

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