

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury

Financial Sanctions Notice

31/01/2024

Iran

Introduction

- 1. The Iran (Sanctions) Regulations 2023 (S.I. 2023/1314) ("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 who are or have been involved in the commission of a serious human rights violations or abuse in Iran; or hostile activity by the Government of Iran or an armed group backed by the Government of Iran.
- On 31 January 2024 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.
- 4. 1 entry has been corrected on the Consolidated List, bringing the entry in line with the UK Sanctions List.

Notice summary

- 5. The following entry has been corrected and is still subject to an asset freeze:
 - Ali Kocak (Group ID: 16356)

What you must do

6. 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.
- 7. 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.
- 8. 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.
- 9. Failure to comply with UK financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions may be a criminal offence.

Further Information

10. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Iran financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:

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

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-fags.

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: IRAN

THE IRAN (SANCTIONS) REGULATIONS 2023 (S.I. 2023/1314)

CORRECTION

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

Individual

1. KOCAK, Ali

Name (non-Latin script): Ali Koçak

a.k.a: (1) KOCHAK, Ali (2) KUCHAK, Ali Nationality: Turkey Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):IRN0184. (UK Statement of Reasons):Ali KOÇAK is an involved person within the meaning of the Iran (Sanctions) Regulations 2023 on the basis of the following ground: KOÇAK is or has been involved in hostile activity by an armed group backed by the Government of Iran, in that he has been responsible for threatening, planning or conducting attacks, including assassinations and threats to life, against persons in countries other than Iran. (Gender):Male Listed on: 29/01/2024 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 29/01/2024 Last Updated: 29/01/2024 Group ID: 16356.

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