

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury

Financial Sanctions Notice

27/02/2024

Yemen

Introduction

- 1. The Yemen (Sanctions) (EU Exit) (No. 2) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/1278) ("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 or economic resources of persons involved in the commission of a serious human rights violation or abuse, or violation of international humanitarian law applicable to the armed conflicts in Yemen; obstruction of the delivery or distribution of, or access to, humanitarian assistance in Yemen; obstruction of or undermining the successful completion of the political transition as outlined in the Gulf Cooperation Council Initiative and Implementation Mechanism Agreement; impeding the implementation of the final report of the comprehensive National Dialogue Conference; or any other acts which threaten the peace, security or stability of Yemen.
- On 27 February 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.

Notice summary

4. The following entry has been added to the Consolidated List and is now subject to an asset freeze:

• Ali Hussein Badr Al Din AL-HOUTHI (Group ID: 16362)

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

Further Information

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

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

10. Further details on the UN measures in respect of Yemen can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage:

https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/information.

11. The UN Consolidated List can be found here:

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

12. The Consolidated List can be found here:

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

13. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

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

14. The Compliance Reporting Form can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/guidance/suspected-breach-of-financial-sanctions-what-to-do.

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

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

Enquiries

16. 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.

- 17. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk.
- 18. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 19. 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: YEMEN

THE YEMEN (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) (NO. 2) REGULATIONS 2020 (S.I. 2020/1278)

ADDITION

Individual

1. AL-HOUTHI, Ali Hussein Badr Al Din

a.k.a: AL-HUTHI, Ali, Husayn **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref):YEM0018. (UK Statement of Reasons):Ali Hussein Badr Al Din AL-HOUTHI, in his role as Houthi Undersecretary of the Interior and commander of the Houthi security / police forces, and as a senior member of the Al-Houthi family and the Ansar Allah ('the Houthis') group, is or has been involved in acts which threaten the peace, security or stability of Yemen, namely providing support for or promoting attacks against shipping in the Red Sea. **Listed on**: 27/02/2024 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated**: 27/02/2024 **Last Updated**: 27/02/2024 **Group ID**: 16362.

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