

# **Financial Sanctions Notice**

28/03/2023

# **Syria**

### Introduction

- 1. The Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/792) 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 repressing the civilian population in Syria or who is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime and who are or have been carrying on prohibited activities related to chemical weapons.
- On 28 March 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. 11 entries have been added to the consolidated list and are now subject to an asset freeze. Further information can be found in the annex to this Notice

# What you must do

#### 5. 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 which are owned or controlled by persons set out in the Annex to the Notice
- refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available (directly or indirectly) to designated 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.
- 6. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

### **Further Information**

- 7. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Syria financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website:

  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-</a>
  - consolidated-lists-and-releases
- 8. The Consolidated List can be found here:

  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets</a>
- The UK Sanctions List can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list
- 10. For more information please see our guide to financial sanctions:

  <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-financial-sanctions-guidance">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-financial-sanctions-guidance</a>

# **Enquiries**

11. 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

- 12. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: <a href="mailto:fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk">fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk</a>
- 13. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 14. 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: SYRIA**

### THE SYRIA (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/792)

#### **ADDITIONS**

### **Individuals**

# 1. ABU ZUREIQ, Imad

**Title:** Mr **DOB**: 09/02/1979. **POB**: Nasib, Daraa, Syria **a.k.a**: (1) ABU ZUREIK, Mr, Imad (2) ABU ZUREIQ, Mr, Emad **Nationality**: Syria **Address**: Syria. **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0399. (UK Statement of Reasons):Imad ABU ZUREIQ is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime in his role working for the Syrian regime as member of a militia, notably by his involvement in the assassination and kidnapping of regime opponents, and by facilitating the production and trading of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male **Listed on**: 28/03/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated**: 28/03/2023 **Last Updated**: 28/03/2023 **Group ID**: 15868.

# 2. AL MASALMEH, Mustafa Qassem

Name (non-Latin script): مصطفى الماسالم

Title: Mr DOB: 01/01/1992. POB: Daraa, Syria a.k.a: (1) AL KASAM, Mr, Mustafa, Qassem (2) AL KASM, Mr, Mustafa, Qassem (3) AL MASALMEH, Mr, Mostafa, Qassem (4) AL QASIM, Mr, Mustafa, Qassem (5) AL-KASEM, Mr, Mustafa, Qassem Nationality: Syria Address: Daraa, Syria. Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0400. (UK Statement of Reasons):Mustafa AL MASALMEH is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime in his role working for the Syrian regime as member of a militia, notably by his involvement in the assassination and kidnapping of regime opponents, and by facilitating the production and trading of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15870.

# 3. AL-ASAD, Samer Kamal

Title: Mr DOB: 19/05/1973. POB: Qardaha, Syria a.k.a: (1) AL ASSAD, Mr, Samer, Kamal (2) ASAD, Mr, Samer, Kamal (3) ASSAD, Mr, Samer, Kamal Nationality: Syria Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0402. (UK Statement of Reasons):Samer Kamal AL-ASAD is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019. He is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime through his facilitating the production and smuggling of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15861.

### 4. AL-ASAD, Waseem Badia

Title: Mr DOB: 18/07/1980. POB: Qardaha, Syria a.k.a: (1) AL-ASAD, Mr, Waseem, Badee (2) AL-ASAD, Mr, Waseem, Badi (3) AL-ASAD, Mr, Waseem, Badie (4) AL-ASAD, Mr, Wasim, Badia (5) AL-ASAD, Mr, Wassim, Badia (6) ALASSAD, Mr, Waseem, Badia

(7) AL-ASSAD, Mr, Waseem, Badia (8) ASAD, Mr, Waseem, Badia (9) ASSAD, Mr, Waseem, Badia Nationality: Syria Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0403. (UK Statement of Reasons):Waseem Badia AL-ASAD is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime via his facilitating the production and trading of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15864.

### 5. AL-KAYALI, Taher Abdul Kareem

Title: Mr DOB: 11/07/1960. POB: Aleppo, Syria a.k.a: (1) AL-KAYALI, Mr, Taer, Abdul, Kareem (2) CAIALI, Mr, Taher, Abdul, Kareem (3) KAYYALI, Mr, Taher, Abdul, Kareem Nationality: Syria Address: Maritime Building, Baghdad Street, Latakia, Syria. Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0397. (UK Statement of Reasons):Taher AL-KAYALI is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime as a prominent person operating and controlling businesses in Syria, notably via his facilitating the production and smuggling of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15863.

# 6. DAQQOU, Hassan Muhammad

Title: Mr DOB: 17/01/1978. POB: Assal al-Ward, Syria a.k.a: (1) DAGO, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (2) DAKOU, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (3) DAQOU, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (4) DAQQOU, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (5) DAQQOU, Mr, Hassan, Mohamad (6) DAQU, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (7) DEKKO, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (8) DIKU, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (9) DOQU, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (10) DUQO, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad (11) DUQQU, Mr, Hassan, Muhammad Nationality: (1) Lebanon (2) Syria Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0406. (UK Statement of Reasons):Hassan Muhammad DAQQOU is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime as a prominent person operating and controlling businesses in Syria and via his facilitating the production and smuggling of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15869.

# 7. FALHOUT, Raji

Title: Mr DOB: 03/10/1985. POB: Atil, Syria Nationality: Syria Address: Sweida, Syria.Position: Commander of local militia Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0405. (UK Statement of Reasons):Raji FALHOUT is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime via his facilitating the production and trading of amphetamines from Syria and his membership of a militia. (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15867.

### 8. HAMID, Abdellatif

**Title:** Mr **DOB**: 01/12/1977. **POB**: Aleppo, Syria **a.k.a**: (1) HAMID, Mr, Abdel Latif (2) HAMID, Mr, Abdul Latif (3) HAMID, Mr, Abdullatif (4) HAMIDA, Mr, Abdellatif (5) HAMIDEH, Mr, Abdellatif **Nationality**: Syria **Address**: Aleppo, Syria. **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0396. (UK Statement of Reasons):Abdellatif HAMID is an involved person under The Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019

because he is supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime as a prominent person operating and controlling businesses in Syria, notably via his facilitating the production and smuggling of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15862.

# 9. KHITI, Amer Taysir

Title: Mr DOB: 31/07/1980. POB: Douma, Syria a.k.a: (1) KHAITI, Mr, Amer, Taysir (2) KHEITI, Mr, Amer, Taysir (3) KHITI, Mr, Amer, Tayseer Nationality: Syria Address: Damascus, Syria. Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0398. (UK Statement of Reasons):Amer KHITI is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime as a prominent person operating and controlling businesses in Syria, notably via his facilitating the production and smuggling of amphetamines from Syria. (Email address):info@khitiholding.com (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15865.

### 10. SHALISH, Mohammed Assef Issa

**Title:** Mr **POB:** Syria **a.k.a:** SHALISH, Mr, Muhammed, Assef **Nationality:** Syria **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0401. (UK Statement of Reasons):Mohammed SHALISH is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime through his facilitating the production and smuggling of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 28/03/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 28/03/2023 **Last Updated:** 28/03/2023 **Group ID:** 15860.

#### 11. ZAITER, Noah

Title: Mr DOB: --/--/1977. POB: Zahle, Lebanon a.k.a: (1) ZAAYTER, Mr, Noah (2) ZEITER, Mr, Noah (3) ZUAITER, Mr, Noah Nationality: Lebanon Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0404. (UK Statement of Reasons):Noah ZAITER is an involved person under the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime via his facilitating the production and trading of amphetamines from Syria. (Gender):Male Listed on: 28/03/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 28/03/2023 Last Updated: 28/03/2023 Group ID: 15866.

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