

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury

Financial Sanctions Notice

11/09/2019

Syria

Introduction

- 1. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 of 17 May 2019 has been corrected.
- 2. Identifying information for one entity has been corrected.

Notice summary (Full details are provided in the Annex to this Notice)

- 3. The following entry has been <u>corrected</u> to the consolidated list and is still subject to an asset freeze:
 - Nizar AL-ASSAD (Group ID: 12041)

What you must do

4. 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;
- iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available (directly or indirectly) to such 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 Regulation;

- 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.
- 5. Where a relevant institution has <u>already reported</u> details of accounts, other funds or economic resources held frozen for designated persons, <u>they are not required to report these details again</u>.
- 6. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Legislative details

- 7. On 11 September 2019 a Corrigenda was published in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L 234, 11.9.2019, p.31).
- 8. The Corrigenda corrected Council Regulation (EU) No 36/2012.

Further Information

9. A copy of the Corrigenda can be obtained from the website of the Official Journal of the European Union:

https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-

content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32019R0798R(01)&from=EN

10. Copies of recent Notices, certain EU Regulations, UNSC Resolutions and UK legislation can be obtained from the Syria financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:

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

- 11. Further details on the UN measures in respect of Syria can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage: http://www.un.org/sc/committees.
- 12. Please note there are also import and export restrictions on Syria Further guidance on export and trade sanctions is available from the GOV.UK website: https://www.gov.uk/sanctions-embargoes-and-restrictions.

- 13. It should be noted that the Annex to this Notice and the Consolidated List may include certain background information provided by the UN Sanctions Committee that is not included in Annex II to the Regulation.
- 14. For more information please see our guide to financial sanctions:

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

Enquiries

15. Non-media enquiries, reports and licence applications should be addressed to:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury 1 Horse Guards Road London SW1A 2HQ ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk

- 16. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 17. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: SYRIA CORRECTING ANNEX II TO COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) No 36/2012

CORRECTION

Entity

1. AL-ASSAD, Nizar

a.k.a: ASAAD, Nizar (1) AL-ASAD, Nizar (2) ASSAD, Nizar (3) ASAD, Nizar Other Information: Cousin of Bashar Al-Assad. Previously head of the company 'Nizar Oilfield Supplies'. Listed on: 24/08/2011 Last Updated: 04/07/2018 11/09/2019 Group ID: 12041.

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