



## **Belarus**

### **Introduction**

1. The Republic of Belarus (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/600) 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 the unresolved disappearances of four individuals in 1999 and 2000.
2. On 21 June 2021 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. 13 entries have been added to the consolidated list and are now subject to an asset freeze.

### **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 and any funds which are owned or controlled by persons set out in the Annex to the Notice

- 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 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 Belarus financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases>
8. The Consolidated List can be found here:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets>
9. 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:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-financial-sanctions-guidance>

### **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](mailto:ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk)

12. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to:  
[sanctions@fcdo.gov.uk](mailto:sanctions@fcdo.gov.uk)
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: BELARUS

#### THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/600)

#### ADDITIONS

##### Individuals

##### 1. **AURAMENKA, Aliaksei Mikalaevich**

**DOB:** 11/05/1977. **POB:** Minsk, Belarus **a.k.a:** (1) AURAMENKA, Aleksey, Nikolaevich (2) AURAMENKA, Alexey (3) AVRAMENKO, Aleksey, Nikolaevich (4) AVRAMENKO, Alexey **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** Minister for Transport and Communication **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0100 (UK Statement of Reasons):In his position as Minister for Transport and Communication of the Republic of Belarus, Aliaksei Auramenka is responsible for the state management of civil aviation and supervision of air traffic control. He is therefore responsible for the forced redirection and landing of Ryanair passenger flight FR4978 at Minsk airport, without proper justification, on 23 May 2021. In so doing, Auramenka acted at the direction of Alexander Lukashenko and in conjunction with the Belarusian Ministry of Defence. These politically motivated decisions were aimed at detaining and arresting the opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner Sofia Sapega and are a form of repression against civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Therefore, Aliaksei Auramenka is responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14118.

##### 2. **BELIAKOV, Oleg Nikolaevich**

**a.k.a:** (1) BALYAKAU, Aleg (2) BALYAKAU, Oleg, Nikolaevich (3) BELIAKOV, Aleg (4) BELYAKOV, Aleg (5) BELYAKOV, Oleg, Nikolaevich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** (1) Deputy Head of the Penal Correction Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs (2) Deputy Head of the Department for the Execution of Punishments of the Ministry of Internal Affairs **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0106 (UK Statement of Reasons):Oleg Nikolaevich Beliakov is the Deputy Head of the Department for the Execution of Punishments of the Ministry of Internal Affairs. In this position, he is responsible for his Department's management of correction and detention facilities, and therefore he is responsible for the serious human rights violations and acts relating to the repression of civil society and democratic opposition which are carried out in such facilities. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14123.

##### 3. **CHURO, Leanid Mikalaievich**

**DOB:** 08/07/1956. **a.k.a:** (1) CHURO, Leanid, Mikalaevich (2) CHURO, Leonid, Nikolaevich (3) CHURO, Leanid, Mikalajevich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** Director General, Belaeronavigatsia Republican Unity Air Navigation Services Enterprise **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0098 (UK Statement of Reasons):In his position as Director General of Belaeronavigatsia Republican Unitary Air Navigation Services Enterprise, Leanid Churo is responsible for Belarusian air traffic control. He therefore bears responsibility for the order to intercept passenger flight FR4978 and compel its

landing at Minsk airport, without proper justification, on 23 May 2021. In doing so, he acted on the direction of Alexander Lukashenko and in conjunction with the Belarusian defence forces. This resulted in the forced redirection of flight FR4978, the detention of the aircraft, its passengers and the crew, and the arrest of opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner Sofia Sapega. This politically-motivated decision was aimed at arresting and detaining opposition journalist Protasevich and Sapega and constitutes a form of repression against civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Churo is therefore responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14115.

**4. GAIDUKEVICH, Oleg Sergeevich**

**DOB:** 26/03/1977. **POB:** Minsk, Belarus **a.k.a:** (1) GAIDUKEVICH, Aleh, Siarheevich (2) HAIDUKEVICH, Aleh, Siarheevich (3) HAIDUKEVICH, Oleg, Sergeevich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** (1) Deputy Chairman of the Standing Committee of International Affairs in the House of Representatives of the National Assembly (2) Member of the delegation of the National Assembly for contacts with the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0102 (UK Statement of Reasons):Oleg Gaidukevich is the Deputy Chairman of the Standing Committee of International Affairs in the house of Representative of the National Assembly, and a member of the delegation of the national Assembly for contacts with the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe. In this capacity, he has made public statements in support of Alexander Lukashenko and the actions taken by the Belarusian authorities to forcibly divert passenger flight FR4978 to Minsk airport without proper justification on 21 May 2021. This politically motivated decision was aimed at arresting and detaining opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner Sofia Sapega and is a form of repression against civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Therefore, Oleg Gaidukevich supports the Lukashenko regime and its repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14116.

**5. GOLUB, Igor Vladimirovich**

**Title:** Major General **DOB:** 19/11/1967. **POB:** Chernigov, Chernigovskaya oblast, Ukraine **a.k.a:** (1) GOLUB, Ihar, Uladzimiravich (2) HOLUB, Igor, Vladimirovich (3) HOLUB, Ihar, Uladzimiravich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** Commander of the Air Force and Air Defence Forces of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Belarus **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0097 (UK Statement of Reasons):In his position as Commander of the Air Force and Air Defence of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Belarus, Igor Golub is responsible for the order dispatching military aircraft to intercept passenger flight FR4978 and compel its landing at Minsk airport, without proper justification, on 23 May 2021. In so doing, Golub acted at the direction of Alexander Lukashenko and in conjunction with the Belarusian aviation authorities. This resulted in the forced redirection of flight FR4978, the detention of the aircraft, its passengers and the crew, and the arrest of opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner Sofia Sapega. This politically-motivated decision was aimed at arresting and detaining opposition journalist Protasevich and Sapega and constitutes a form of repression against civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Igor Golub is therefore responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14114.

**6. GURTSEVICH, Andrei Mikalaevich**

**DOB:** 27/07/1971. **POB:** Baranovich, Brest Region/Oblast, Belarus **a.k.a:** GURTSEVICH, Andrei, Nikolaevich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** First Deputy Commander of the Air Force **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0099 (UK Statement of Reasons):In his position as First Deputy Commander of the Air Force and Air Defence Forces of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Belarus, Andrei Gurtsevich is responsible for the order dispatching military aircraft to intercept passenger flight FR4978 and compel its landing at Minsk airport, without proper justification, on 23 May 2021. In so doing, Gurtsevich acted at the direction of Alexander Lukashenko and in conjunction with the Belarusian aviation authorities. This resulted in the forced redirection of flight FR4978, the detention of the aircraft, its passengers and the crew, and the arrest of opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner Sofia Sapega. This politically-motivated decision was aimed at arresting and detaining opposition journalist Protasevich and Sapega and constitutes a form of repression against civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Andrei Gurtsevich is therefore responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14117.

**7. KARPENKOV, Nikolai**

**DOB:** 06/09/1968. **POB:** Minsk, Belarus **a.k.a:** (1) KARPENKOV, Mikalai (2) KARPENKOV, Nikolay (3) KARPIANKOU, Mikalai (4) KARPIANKOU, Nikolai (5) KARPIANKOU, Nikolay **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** (1) Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs (2) Commander of Internal Troops **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0105 (UK Statement of Reasons):Nikolai Karpenkov is the Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs and Commander of Internal Troops and former Head of the Main Directorate for Combating Organised Crime and Corruption. In both roles, he has engaged in and supported human rights violations and the repression of civil society in Belarus. In his current role, he is responsible for the actions of officers of the Ministry of Internal Affairs and Internal Troops and therefore responsible for serious human rights violations and abuses against detained protestors and journalists, which have taken place since Karpenkov assumed this role in November 2020. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14122.

**8. KHRENIN, Viktor Gennadevich**

**Title:** Lieutenant General **DOB:** 01/08/1971. **POB:** Novogrodek, Grodno Region, Belarus **a.k.a:** (1) KHRENIN, Viktor, Gienadzjevich (2) KHRENIN, Viktor, Henadzevich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** Minister of Defence **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0096 (UK Statement of Reasons):In his position as Minister of Defence of Belarus since 20 January 2020, Viktor Khrenin is responsible for the decision taken by the Command of the Air Forces and Air Defence Forces for the order dispatching military aircraft to intercept passenger flight FR4978 and compel its landing at Minsk airport, without proper justification, on 23 May 2021. In doing so, Khrenin acted at the direction of Alexander Lukashenko and in conjunction with the Belarusian aviation authorities. This resulted in the forced redirection of flight FR4978, the detention of the aircraft, its passengers and the crew, and the arrest of opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner, Sofia Sapega. This politically motivated decision was aimed at arresting and detaining opposition journalist Protasevich and Sapega and constitutes a form of repression against civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Viktor Khrenin is therefore responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the

rule of law there. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14113.

**9. MARKOV, Marat Sergeevich**

**DOB:** --/--/1969. **POB:** Luninets, Brest region, Belarus **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** Chairman of the Management of the Second National Television Channel (ONT) **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0104 (UK Statement of Reasons):In his position as Chairman of the Second National Television Station (ONT), Marat Markov is responsible for the programming and editorial decisions of the station, including the decision to record and broadcast an 'interview' with the detained opposition activist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich, widely believed to be filmed under duress and with Protasevich showing signs of ill treatment. This action is directly linked to the politically motivated decision to divert Ryanair flight FR4978 to Minsk airport on 23 May 2021 without proper justification, aimed at arresting and detaining opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner, Sofia Sapega and is a form of repression against civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Marat Markov is therefore responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14121.

**10. RYZHENKOV, Maksim**

**Title:** First Deputy Head of the Administration of the President **DOB:** --/--/1972. **POB:** Minsk, Belarus **a.k.a:** (1) RYZHANKOU, Maksim (2) RYZHANKOU, Maxim (3) RYZHANKOU, Maxim, Uladzimiravich (4) RYZHANKOU, Maxim, Vladimirovich (5) RYZHENKOV, Maxim (6) RYZHENKOV, Maxim, Uladzimiravich (7) RYZHENKOV, Maxim, Vladimirovich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Address:** Minsk. **Position:** First Deputy Head of Presidential Administration **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0103 (UK Statement of Reasons):Maksim Ryzhenkov is the First Deputy Head of the Administration of the President. In this role, Ryzhenkov has significant influence over the Belarusian authorities' response to the post-election protests, including serious human rights violations, the repression of civil society or democratic opposition in Belarus and actions and policies or activities which undermine democracy or the rule of law in Belarus. Maksim Ryzhenkov also plays an important coordinating role over state bodies, including the working relationship between the President and the Belarusian Ministry of the Interior and its internal security forces, which are responsible for treatment amounting to serious human rights violations. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14119.

**11. SIKORSKI, Artsiom Igaravich**

**DOB:** --/--/1983. **POB:** Soligorsk, Minsk region/Oblast, Belarus **a.k.a:** (1) SIKORSKI, Artem, Igorevich (2) SIKORSKIY, Artem, Igorevich (3) SIKORSKIY, Artsiom, Igaravich **Nationality:** Belarusian **Position:** Director for the Aviation Department of the Ministry of Transport and Communication **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0101 (UK Statement of Reasons):In his capacity as Director of the Aviation Department at the Ministry of Transport and Communication of the Republic of Belarus, Artsiom Sikorski is responsible for the state management in the sphere of civil aviation and supervision of air traffic control. He is therefore responsible for the forced redirection and landing of Ryanair passenger flight FR4978 at Minsk airport, without proper justification, on 23 May 2021. In so doing, Sikorski acted at the direction of Alexander Lukashenko and in conjunction with the Belarusian Ministry of Defence. These politically motivated decisions were aimed at detaining and arresting the opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner Sofia Sapega and are a form of repression against

civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Therefore, Artsiom Sikorski is responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14120.

## Entities

- 1. BELAERONAVIGATSIA REPUBLICAN UNITY AIR NAVIGATION SERVICES ENTERPRISE**  
**a.k.a:** Belaeronavigatsia State-Owned Enterprise **Address:** 19 Korotkevic Street, Minsk, Belarus, 220039. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): BEL0108 (UK Statement of Reasons): Belaeronavigatsia Republican Unitary Air Navigation Services Enterprise is responsible for Belarusian air traffic control. It therefore bears responsibility for the order to intercept passenger flight FR4978 and compel its landing at Minsk airport, without proper justification, on 23 May 2021. In doing so, it acted on the direction of Alexander Lukashenko and in conjunction with the Belarusian defence forces. This resulted in the detention of the aircraft, its passengers and the crew, and the arrest of opposition journalist and civil society actor Roman Protasevich and Protasevich's partner Sofia Sapega. This politically-motivated decision was aimed at arresting and detaining opposition journalist Protasevich and Sapega and constitutes a form of repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus. Belaeronavigatsia is therefore responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and so undermined democracy and the rule of law there. (Phone number): Tel: +375 (17) 215-40-51. Fax: +375 (17) 213-41-63 (Email address): office@ban.by (Organisation type): State Owned Enterprise (Subsidiaries):(1) Brest branch (2) Vitsebsk branch (3) Gomel branch (4) Grodno branch (5) Mogilev branch **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14082.
  
- 2. BNK (UK) LTD**  
**a.k.a:** (1) BNK (UK) (2) BNK (UK) Limited (3) BNK UK (4) BNK UK Limited (5) BNK UK Ltd **Address:** (1) Salatin House, 19 Cedar Road, Sutton, Surrey, UK, SM2 5DA. (2) BNK (UK) LTD, 26-28 Hammersmith Grove, MWB Business Exchange Centre, W6 7BA. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0107 (UK Statement of Reasons):There are reasonable grounds to suspect that BNK (UK) Ltd Company is controlled directly or indirectly by the President of Belarus, Alexander Lukashenko, who has been responsible for serious violations of human rights in Belarus. BNK (UK) Ltd is controlled by CJSC Belarusian Oil Company, the state exporter of oil products, of which Belarusneft Production Association, a State owned entity in Belarus which forms part of the Belneftekhim concern, is the major controlling party. (Website): <http://www.belnaft.co.uk/> (Parent company): (1) CJSC Belarusian Oil Company (2) Belorusneft (3) Belneftekhim (Business Reg no): UK Company no. 06527449 **Listed on:** 21/06/2021 **Last Updated:** 21/06/2021 **Group ID:** 14124.

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