

# **Financial Sanctions Notice**

21/06/2021

# Russia

## Introduction

- 1. The Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/855) 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 Russia's illegal annexation of Crimea and Sevastopol and continued destabilisation of Ukraine.
- 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. The following entry has been amended and is still subject to an asset freeze:
  - Sergey Valeryevich AKSYONOV (Group ID: 12922)

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

# **Further Information**

- 8. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Russia financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specificconsolidated-lists-and-releases</u>
- The Consolidated List can be found here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets</u>
- 10. The UK Sanctions List can be found here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list</u>

11. For more information please see our guide to financial sanctions:

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

## Enquiries

12. 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

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

## THE RUSSIA (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/855)

#### AMENDMENT

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

#### <u>Individual</u>

#### 1. AKSYONOV, Sergey Valeryevich

Title: Prime Minister of Crimea DOB: 26/11/1972. POB: Beltsy (Balti), Moldovian SSR (now Republic of Moldovia) a.k.a: (1) AKSENOV, Sergei, Valerievich (2) AKSENOV, Sergey, Valeryevich (3) AKSENOV, Serhiy, Valeriyovych (4) AKSYONOV, Sergei, Valerievich (5) AKSYONOV, Serhiy, Valeriyovych (6) ZYMA, Petro Nationality: Ukrainian Address: Crimea. Position: Prime Minister of Crimea Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): RUS0064 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Aksyonov was elected "Prime Minister of Crimea" in the Crimean Verkhovna Rada on 27 February 2014 in the presence of pro-Russian gunmen. His "election" was decreed unconstitutional by Oleksandr Turchynov on 1 March. He actively lobbied for the "referendum" of Russian Federation" of 16 March 2014, and was one of the co-signatories of the "treaty on Crimean's accession to the Russian Federation" of 18 March 2014. On 9 April 2014, he was appointed acting "Head" of the "Head" of the so-called "Republic of Crimea" by President Putin. On 9 October 2014, he was formally "elected" "Head" of the so-called "Republic of Crimea." Aksyonov subsequently decreed that the offices of "Head" and "Prime Minister" be combined. Member of the Russia State Council. Since January 2017, member of the High Council of United Russia Party. For his involvement in the annexation process, he has been awarded with Russian State Order "For Merit to the Fatherland" - first degree. (Gender): Male Listed on: 18/03/2014 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 21/06/2021 Group ID: 12922.

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