



Office of Financial
Sanctions Implementation
HM Treasury

Financial Sanctions Notice

06/10/2016

Syria

Introduction

1. Council Regulation (EU) 36/2012 ("the Regulation") imposing financial sanctions against Syria has been amended so that an asset freeze no longer applies to the individuals listed in the Annex to this Notice.
2. Identifying information for the individuals listed in the Annex to this Notice has also been amended.

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

3. The following individuals have been removed from the consolidated list and are no longer subject to an asset freeze.
 - IKHTIYAR, Hisham (Group ID: 11930)
 - AL-ASSAD, Anisa (Group ID: 12633)
 - AL FREIJ, Fahd (Group ID: 12763)
4. Eighteen individuals have had their identifying information amended and are still subject to an asset freeze (see Annex for details).

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 assets;
 - iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available 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.
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.

Legislative details

8. On 30 September 2016 Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 2016/1735 ("the Amending Regulation") was published in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L 264, 30.9.2016, p.1) by the Council of the European Union.
9. The Amending Regulation amended Annex II to the Regulation with effect from 1 October 2016.

Further Information

10. A copy of the Amending Regulation can be obtained from the website of the Official Journal of the European Union:

<http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32016R1735&from=EN>

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

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

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

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-faqs>

Enquiries

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

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation

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ofsi@hmtreasury.gsi.gov.uk

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 and Commonwealth Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: SYRIA

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 2016/1735

AMENDING ANNEX II TO COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) No 36/2012

DELISTINGS

Individuals

1. **IKHTIYAR, Hisham**
DOB: 20/07/1941. **POB:** Damascus **a.k.a:** (1) AL IKHTIYAR, Hisham (2) BEKHTYAR, Hisham (3) BIKHTIAR, Hisham (4) BIKHTIYAR, Hisham (5) BIKHTYAR, Hisham **Position:** Head of Syrian National Security Bureau **Listed on:** 24/05/2011 **Last Updated:** 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 11930.
2. **AL-ASSAD, Anisa**
DOB: --/--/1934. **a.k.a:** (1) AL-ASSAD, Aneesa (2) AL-ASSAD, Aneessa (3) AL-ASSAD, Anisah (4) AL-ASSAD, Anissa **Other Information:** Female. Maiden name Makhloof. Mother of President Al Assad. **Listed on:** 26/03/2012 **Last Updated:** 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 12633.
3. **AL FREIJ, Fahd**
Title: Major General **a.k.a:** AL-FURAYJ, Fahd, Jassem **Position:** Minister of Defence and Military Commander **Listed on:** 16/10/2012 **Last Updated:** 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 12763.

AMENDMENTS

Deleted information appears in strikethrough. Additional information appears in italics and is underlined. The order of the amended entries reflects that in the Amending Regulation.

Individuals

1. **JAZA'IRI, Houmam**
DOB: --/--/1977. **a.k.a:** *(1) AL-JAZAERI, Humam (2) AL-JAZAIRI, Hammam* **Position:** Minister of Economy and Foreign Trade **Listed on:** 22/10/2014 **Last Updated:** 22/10/2014 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 13148.
2. **AL-ASSAD, Maher**
Title: *Major General* **DOB:** 08/12/1967. **POB:** *Damascus* **a.k.a:** AL-ASSAD, Mahir **Passport Details:** 4138 (Diplomatic) **Position:** ~~Commander of the Army's 4th Armoured Division~~ *Major General of the 42nd Brigade* **Other Information:** Member of Baath Party Central Command. Brother of President Bashar Al-Assad. *Former Brigadier Commander of the Army's 4th Armoured Division.* **Listed on:** 10/05/2011 **Last Updated:** ~~31/05/2013~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 11909.

3. **NAJIB, Atej**
POB: Jablah, Syria a.k.a: (1) NAJEEB, Atef (2) NAJEEB, Atej (3) NAJEEB, Atif (4) NAJIB, Atef (5) NAJIB, Atif **Other Information:** Former Head of the Political Security Directorate in Dara'a. Cousin of President Bashar Al-Assad. **Listed on:** 10/05/2011 **Last Updated:** ~~31/05/2013~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 11911.
4. **MAKHLOUF, Hafiz**
DOB: 02/04/1971. **POB:** Damascus a.k.a: MAKHLOUF, Hafez **Passport Details:** 2246 (Diplomatic) **Position:** Colonel and Head of Unit in General Intelligence Directorate, Damascus Branch **Other Information:** Former Colonel and Head of Unit in General Intelligence Directorate, Damascus Branch. Cousin of President Bashar Al-Assad. ~~Close to Maher al-Assad.~~ **Listed on:** 10/05/2011 **Last Updated:** ~~31/05/2013~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 11903.
5. **HASSAN, Jamil**
Title: Major General **DOB:** ~~--/--/1953~~. a.k.a: (1) HASSAN, Jameel (2) AL-HASSAN, Jamil **Position:** Head of Syrian Air Force Intelligence **Other Information:** Major-General in the Syrian Air Force. **Listed on:** 10/05/2011 **Last Updated:** ~~31/05/2013~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 11906.
6. **ADANOV, Munir**
Title: Lieutenant-General **DOB:** ~~--/--/1951~~. **POB:** Homs, Syria a.k.a: (1) ADANOF, Moneer (2) ADANOF, Monir (3) ADANOF, Mouneer (4) ADANOF, Mounir (5) ADANOF, Muneer (6) ADANOF, Munir (7) ADANOV, Moneer (8) ADANOV, Monir (9) ADANOV, Mouneer (10) ADANOV, Mounir (11) ADANOV, Muneer (12) ADNUF, Moneer (13) ADNUF, Monir (14) ADNUF, Mouneer (15) ADNUF, Mounir (16) ADNUF, Muneer (17) ADNUF, Munir **Passport Details:** 92405 **Position:** Deputy Chief of General Staff, Operations and Training for Syrian Army. **Listed on:** 24/08/2011 **Last Updated:** ~~31/05/2013~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 12050.
7. **AYYUB, Ali, Abdallah**
Title: ~~Lt.~~ General a.k.a: (1) AYYUB, Ali, Abdallah (2) AYYUB, Ali Abdallah (3) AYYUB, Ali, Abdallah (4) AYUB, Ali, Abdallah (5) AYUB, Ali Abdallah (6) AYOUB, Ali, Abdallah (7) AYOUB, Ali, Abdallah (8) AYOB, Ali Abdallah (9) AYOB, Ali, Abdallah **Position:** ~~Deputy Chief of General Staff of the Syrian Arab Army (Personnel and Manpower)~~ Deputy Commander in Chief of the Syrian Armed Forces **Listed on:** 15/11/2011 **Last Updated:** ~~31/05/2013~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 12211.
8. **AL-FURAYJ, Fahd, Jasim**
Title: ~~Major~~ Lt. General **DOB:** 01/01/1950 **POB:** Hama, Syria a.k.a: (1) AL-FURAYJ, Fahd, Jassem (2) AL-FREIJ, Jasem (3) AL-FURAYJ, Jasem (4) AL-FREIJ, Jassimm (5) AL-FURAYJ, Jassim (6) AL-FREIJ, Jasim (7) AL-FURAYJ, Jasim **Position:** Minister of Defence and ~~Military Commander~~ Deputy Commander in Chief of the Syrian Armed Forces **Listed on:** 16/10/2012 **Last Updated:** ~~31/05/2013~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 12763.
9. **HAMAD, Zuhair**
Title: Major General **POB:** Damascus, Syria a.k.a: (1) HAMAD, Zouhair (2) HAMAD, Zouheir (3) HAMAD, Zuheir **Position:** Deputy Head of General Intelligence Directorate (a.k.a General Security Directorate) **Listed on:** 15/11/2011 **Last Updated:** ~~31/05/2013~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 12217.
10. **AL-ASSAD, Bushra**
DOB: 24/10/1960. a.k.a: (1) SHAWKAT, Bushra (2) AL ASSAD, Bouchra **Other**

Information: Sister of Bashar Al Assad and widow of Asif Shawkat, Deputy Chief of Staff for Security and Reconnaissance. **Listed on:** 26/03/2012 **Last Updated:** 30/05/2014 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 12550.

11. AL-ASSAD, Asma

DOB: 11/08/1975. **POB:** London, United Kingdom a.k.a: AL AKHRAS, Asma, Fawaz **Passport Details:** 707512830. Expires 22 Sept 2020 **Other Information:** Female. Maiden name Al Akhras. Wife of Bashar Al Assad. **Listed on:** 26/03/2012 **Last Updated:** 26/03/2012 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 12634.

12. HASAN, Suhayl

Title: Colonel Major General **DOB:** --/--/1970 **POB:** Jableh (Latakia Province, Syria) a.k.a: (1) AL HASAN, Colonel, Suhayl (2) AL HASSAN, Sohail (3) HASAN, Brigadier General, Suhayl (4) HASSAN, Sohail (5) HASSAN, Suhail (6) HASSAN, Lieutenant Colonel, Suhayl (1) HASAN, Sohail (2) HASAN, Suhail (3) HASAN, Suheil (4) HASSAN, Suhayl (5) HASSAN, Sohail (6) HASSAN, Suhail (7) HASSAN, Suheil Suheil (8) AL-HASSAN, Suhayl (9) AL-HASSAN, Sohail (10) AL-HASSAN, Suhail (11) AL-HASSAN, Suheil (12) AL-HASAN, Suhayl (13) AL-HASAN, Sohail (14) AL-HASAN, Suhail (15) AL-HASAN, Suheil **Position:** Military commander Commander of Qawat al-Nimr (Tiger Forces) **Other Information:** Officer of the rank of Major General in the Syrian Army. Also known as al-Nimir (the Tiger). **Listed on:** 23/07/2014 **Last Updated:** 24/07/2014 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 13025.

13. BITAR, Bayan

DOB: 08/03/1947 a.k.a: AL-BITAR, Dr., Bayan **Address:** PO Box 11037, Damascus, Syria. **Position:** Managing Director of the Organisation for Technological Industries (OTI), and the Syrian Company for Information Technology (SCIT) **Other Information:** Managing Director of the Organisation for Technological Industries (OTI) and the Syrian Company for Information Technology (SCIT), which are both subsidiaries of the Syrian Ministry of Defence. OTI and SCIT are subsidiaries of the Syrian Ministry of Defence. **Listed on:** 09/03/2015 **Last Updated:** 09/03/2015 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 13228.

14. ABBAS, Ghassan

Title: Brigadier General **DOB:** 10/03/1960 **POB:** Homs **Address:** CERS, Centre d'Etude et de Recherche Scientifique, Centre de Recherche de Kaboun Barzar Street, PO Box 4470, Damascus. **Position:** Brigadier General **Position:** Manager of the branch of Syrian Scientific Studies and research Centre (SSRCC/CERS) near Jumraya/Jmraiya **Other Information:** Manager of the branch of Syrian Scientific Studies and research Centre (SSRCC/CERS) near Jumraya/Jmraiya. CERS is also known as SSRC, Scientific Studies and Research Center. **Listed on:** 09/03/2015 **Last Updated:** 09/03/2015 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 13229.

15. ABDULKARIM, Wael

DOB: 30/09/1973 **POB:** Damascus, Syria a.k.a: AL KARIM, Wael **Address:** Al Karim for Trade and Industry, PO Box 111, Damascus, Syria, 5797. **Other Information:** Leading businessman/person of Palestinian origin operating in Syria in the oil, chemicals and manufacturing industries. Specifically, he represents Abdulkarim Group, a.k.a Al Karim Group/AlKarim for Trade and Industry/Al Karim Trading and Industry/Al Karim for the Trade and Industry. Abdulkarim Group is a leading manufacturer of lubricants, greases and industrial chemicals in Syria. **Listed on:** 09/03/2015 **Last Updated:** 04/06/2016 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 13230.

16. **BARQAWI, Ahmad**

DOB: --/--/1985 **POB:** Damascus, Syria **a.k.a:** BARQAWI, Ahmed **Address:** (1) Al Karim for Trade and Industry, PO Box 111, Damascus, Syria, 5797. (2) Pangates International Corp Ltd, PO Box Sharjah Airport International Free Zone, United Arab Emirates. **Position:** General Manager of Pangates International Corp Ltd. Manager of Al Karim Group. **Listed on:** 09/03/2015 **Last Updated:** ~~20/05/2015~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 13231.

17. **HAMSHO, Emad**

a.k.a. (1) HAMCHU, Emad (2) HAMCHO Emad (3) HAMISHO, Emad (4) HMEISHO, Emad (5) HEMASHO, Emad (6) HMISHO, Imad **Address:** Hamsho Building, 31 Baghdad Street, Damascus, Syria. **Other Information:** Occupies senior management position in Hamsho Trading, a subsidiary of Hamsho International. He is associated with Hamsho International. He is also vice-president of the Syrian Council of Iron and Steel alongside businessmen such as Ayman Jaber. He is an associate of Bashar Al-Assad. Also known as Imad, HMISHO, HAMCHU, HAMCHO, HAMISHO, HAMEISHO and HEMASHO. **Listed on:** 09/03/2015 **Last Updated:** ~~09/03/2015~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 13233.

18. **MAHALLA, Muhamad**

Title: General **DOB:** --/--/1960 **POB:** Jableh, Lattakia Province **a.k.a:** (1) MAALLA, General, Mohamed (2) MAALLA, General, Muhamad (3) MAALLA, General, Muhammad (4) MAHALLA, General, Mohamed (5) MAHALLA, General, Muhammad (6) MAHLA, General, Mohamed (7) MAHLA, General, Muhamad (8) MAHLA, General, Muhammad (9) MUALLA, General, Mohamed (10) MUALLA, General, Muhamad (11) MUALLA, General, Muhammad (12) MUHALLA, General, Mohamed (13) MUHALLA, General, Muhamad (14) MUHALLA, General, Muhammad **Position:** General **Position:** Head of the Syrian Military Intelligence (SMI), Branch 293 (Internal Affairs), since April 2015 **Other Information:** ~~Head of the Syrian Military Intelligence (SMI), Branch 293 (Internal Affairs), since April 2015.~~ Former Deputy Head of Political Security (2012), Officer of the Syrian Republican Guard and Vice-Director of the Political Security Directorate. Head of Military Police, Member of the National Security Bureau. **Listed on:** 29/05/2015 **Last Updated:** ~~02/06/2015~~ 01/10/2016 **Group ID:** 13252.

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