



## Financial Sanctions Notice

22/01/2018

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# Venezuela

### Introduction

1. Council Regulation (EU) 2017/2063 (“the Regulation”) imposing financial sanctions against Venezuela has been amended so that an asset freeze now applies to the persons listed in the Annex to this Notice.

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

2. 7 entries detailed in the Annex to the Notice have been added to the consolidated list.

### What you must do

3. 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.
4. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

### **Legislative details**

5. On 22 January 2018 Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 2018/88 (“the Amending Regulation”) was published in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L 16 I, 22.1.2018, p.6) by the Council of the European Union.
6. The Amending Regulation amended Annex IV to the Regulation with effect from 22 January 2018.

### **Further Information**

7. 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:32018R0088&from=EN>

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

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

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

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

### **Enquiries**

10. 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.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:ofsi@hmtreasury.gsi.gov.uk)

11. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
12. 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: VENEZUELA

#### COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 2018/88

#### AMENDING ANNEX IV TO COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) No 2017/2063

### ADDITIONS

#### Individuals

1. **HALABI Tarek William Saab**  
**DOB:** 10/09/1963. **Position:** Venezuelan Attorney General appointed by the Constituent Assembly **Other Information:** EU-only listing. Previously Ombudsman and President of the Republican Moral Council. **Listed on:** 22/01/2018 **Last Updated:** 22/01/2018 **Group ID:** 13585.
2. **LOPEZ Gustavo Enrique Ganzalez**  
**DOB:** 02/11/1960. **Position:** Head of the Bolivian National Intelligence Service (SEBIN) **Other Information:** EU-only listing. **Listed on:** 22/01/2018 **Last Updated:** 22/01/2018 **Group ID:** 13581.
3. **PEREZ Maikel Jose Moreno**  
**DOB:** 12/12/1965. **Position:** President, and former Vice President, of the Supreme Court of Justice of Venezuela (Tribunal Supremo de Justicia) **Other Information:** EU-only listing **Listed on:** 22/01/2018 **Last Updated:** 22/01/2018 **Group ID:** 13584.
4. **RAMIREZ Tibusay Lucena**  
**DOB:** 26/04/1959. **Position:** President of the National Electoral Council (Consejo Nacional Electoral - CNE) **Other Information:** EU-only listing **Listed on:** 22/01/2018 **Last Updated:** 22/01/2018 **Group ID:** 13582.
5. **RONDON Diosdado Cabello**  
**DOB:** 15/04/1963. **Position:** Member of the Constituent Assembly and First Vice President of the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV) **Other Information:** EU-only listing **Listed on:** 22/01/2018 **Last Updated:** 22/01/2018 **Group ID:** 13586.
6. **TORRES Antonio Jose Benavides**  
**DOB:** 13/06/1961. **Position:** Chief of the Capital District (Distrito Capital) Government **Other Information:** EU-only listing. General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard until 21 June 2017. **Listed on:** 22/01/2018 **Last Updated:** 22/01/2018 **Group ID:** 13583.
7. **TORRES Nestor Luis Reverol**  
**DOB:** 28/10/1964. **Position:** Minister for Interior, Justice and Peace **Other Information:** EU-only listing. Former Commander General of the Bolivarian National Guard. **Listed on:** 22/01/2018 **Last Updated:** 22/01/2018 **Group ID:** 13580.

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