

FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

17th January 2020

General Notice of Renewal of Final Designations

Terrorism and Terrorist Financing

Introduction

- HM Treasury, through the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI), has
 designated one entity under the Terrorist Asset-Freezing etc. Act 2010 (TAFA).
- One designation has been amended but continues to be subject to the financial sanctions imposed by Council Regulation (EC) No 2580/2001.

The reason for this Notice

- The following entry has been <u>added</u> to the consolidated list and is now subject to an asset freeze with effect from Thursday 16 January 2020:
 - HIZBALLAH (Group ID: 13804)
- 4. The following entry has been <u>amended</u> on the consolidated list and is no longer designated under the Terrorist Asset-Freezing etc. Act 2010 (TAFA):
 - HIZBALLAH MILITARY WING (Group ID: 7177)
- HIZBALLAH MILITARY WING continues to be subject to the financial sanctions imposed by Council Regulation (EC) No 2580/2001 and is therefore still subject to an asset freeze.

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What you must do:

6. You must:

- i. check whether you hold any accounts, funds or economic resources for, or provide financial services to, the entity set out in the Annex to this Notice;
- ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources;
- iii. suspend the provision of any financial services to that entity;
- refrain from dealing with such funds or making them available to such entity unless licensed by the Governor;
- v. report any findings to the Governor, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with TAFA.
- vi. provide any information concerning the frozen assets of designated persons that the Governor may request. Information reported to the Governor may be passed on to other regulatory authorities or law enforcement.
- Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation is a criminal offence or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.
- 8. Some dealings with funds and economic resources that would otherwise contravene TAFA can be licensed by OFSI. You can find out about applying for a licence as well as information about General Licences in OFSI's Guide to Financial Sanctions:

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

Can I challenge a Designation?

- If you are the designated person, you may appeal to the High Court or, in Scotland, the Court of Session, under section 26 of TAFA, any decision of OFSI to make or vary, or not to vary or revoke, an interim or final designation, or to renew a final designation.
- 10. If you are the designated person or a person affected by a decision of OFSI (other than decisions to which section 26 applies) you may apply to the High Court or, in Scotland, the Court of Session, for the decision to be set aside.

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11. Please see OFSI's Financial sanctions: general guidance for more information:

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

12. The address for service of legal correspondence for the OFSI is:

Government Legal Department, 102 Petty France, Westminster, London,

SW1H 9GL DX: 123243 Westminster 12 Phone: 020 7210 8500

Other information

- 13. TAFA implements the terrorist asset freezing requirements of UN Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001) and Council Regulation (EC) No 2580/2001 in the UK.
- 14. OFSI's consolidated list of persons subject to financial sanctions in effect in the UK has been updated to reflect the new designation and amended entry. The consolidated list can be found on the GOV.UK website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-listof-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets

15. A copy of TAFA is available from

legislation.gov.uk:

http://www.legislation.gov.uk/ukpga/2010/38/contents

16. Copies of relevant Releases, UN Security Council Resolutions, EU Regulations and UK legislation can be obtained from the Terrorism and Terrorist Financing regime page on the Financial Sanctions pages of the GOV.UK website:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/current-list-of-designated-persons-terrorismand-terrorist-financing

Enquiries / Contact details

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

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His Excellency, the Governor The Governor's Office #8 Farara Plaza Brades, MSR 1110 Montserrat

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ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: TERRORISM AND TERRORIST FINANCING DESIGNATION MADE UNDER SECTION 2 OF THE TERRORIST ASSET-FREEZING ETC. ACT 2010

ADDITION

Date of Final Designation 16/01/2020

Entity

HIZBALLAH

a.k.a: (1) Hezballah (2) Hezbollah (3) Hisbollah (4) Hizb Allah (5) Hizbollah (6) Hizbu'llah (7) Hizbullah (8) Hezbullah (9) Lebanese Hizballah Other Information: UK listing only. Based in Lebanon. Hizballah itself has publicly denied a distinction between its military and political wings. The group in its entirety is assessed to be concerned in terrorism and was proscribed as a terrorist organisation in the UK in March 2019. This listing includes the Military Wing, the Jihad Council and all units reporting to it, including the External Security Organisation. Listed on: 16/01/2020 Last Updated: 17/01/2020 Group ID: 13804.

AMENDMENT

Entity

HIZBALLAH MILITARY WING

a.k.a: (1) Hezballah Military Wing (2) Hezbollah Military Wing (3) Hisbollah Military Wing (4) Hizb Allah Military Wing (5) Hizbollah Military Wing (6) Hizbu'llah Military Wing (7) Hizbullah Military Wing Other Information: Beth UK listing and EU listing only. Previously listed under the Terrorist Asset-Freezing etc. Act 2010 (TAFA). This listing includes the Jihad Council and all units reporting to it, including the External Security Organisation. Listed on: 02/11/2001 Last Updated: 47/01/2019-17/01/2020 Group ID: 7177.