



# **FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION**

2 April 2025

## **Financial Sanction Notice**

### **Directions from Financial Services Commission**

Please be informed that 13 entries have been added under the Global Anti-Corruption financial sanctions regime.

On 2 April 2025, the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office updated the UK Sanctions List on Gov.Uk. This list provides details of those details designated under regulations made under the Sanctions Act.

13 entries have been added under the Global Anti-Corruption financial sanctions regime and are now subject to an asset freeze.

The consolidated list of asset freeze targets has been updated to reflect these changes.

The notice will also be placed on our website at [www.fscmontserrat.org](http://www.fscmontserrat.org) (<http://www.fscmontserrat.org>) under the heading "Sanctions" for your future reference.

Please be guided accordingly.



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### **Global Anti-Corruption**

#### **Introduction**

1. The Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/488) (the Regulations) were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 ("the Sanctions Act") and provide for the imposition of financial sanctions, namely the freezing of funds and economic resources persons who are or have been involved in serious corruption.
2. On 2 April 2025 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. Further information can be found in the Annex to this Notice.

#### **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 and any entities owned or controlled by them:
  - ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources;

- iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or economic resources or making them available directly or indirectly to or for the benefit of designated persons unless licensed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI) or if an exception applies;
  - iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with the information or other matter on which the knowledge or suspicion is based. Where the information relates to funds or economic resources, the nature and quantity should also be reported.
6. Information received by OFSI may be disclosed to third parties in accordance with provisions set out in the Information and Records part of the regulations and in compliance with applicable data protection laws.
7. Failure to comply with UK financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions may be a criminal offence.

#### **Further Information**

8. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Global Anti-Corruption financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases>.
9. The Consolidated List can be found here:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets>.
10. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list>.
11. The Compliance Reporting Form can be found here:  
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/suspected-breach-of-financial-sanctions-what-to-do>.
12. For more information please see our financial sanctions guidance:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-faqs>.

**Enquiries**

13. Non-media enquiries about the implementation of financial sanctions in the UK should be addressed to:

**Her Excellency, the Governor  
The Governor's Office  
#8 Farara Plaza  
Brades, MSR 1110  
E-Mail: [michelle.webster@fcdo.gov.uk](mailto:michelle.webster@fcdo.gov.uk)**

## ANNEX TO NOTICE

### FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: GLOBAL ANTI-CORRUPTION

#### THE GLOBAL ANTI-CORRUPTION SANCTIONS REGULATIONS 2021 (S.I. 2021/488)

#### ADDITIONS

##### Individuals

##### 1. CHINCHALADZE, Mikheil

**Name (non-Latin script):** მიხეილ ჩინჩალაძე

**DOB:** 09/03/1978. **POB:** Georgia **Position:** (1) Chairman of the Tbilisi Court of Appeals (2) Member of the High Council of Justice of Georgia **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0077. (UK Statement of Reasons): There are reasonable grounds to suspect that Mikheil Chinchaladze ("CHINCHALADZE") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) CHINCHALADZE is or has been involved in serious corruption by engaging in serious corruption. As Chairman of the Tbilisi Court of Appeal, a foreign public official performing an executive or judicial function, he received a financial advantage as a reward for improperly performing his public functions, specifically improperly asserting his influence as chairman of the Tbilisi Court of Appeals to ensure that judicial appointments and decisions favoured the incumbent Georgian Dream Party. (2) CHINCHALADZE is or has been involved in serious corruption by engaging in serious corruption. As Chairman of the Tbilisi Court of Appeals, a foreign public official performing an executive or judicial function, he accepted an advantage, namely a lifetime appointment to Tbilisi Court of Appeals, intending in consequence to continue improperly performing his public functions by ensuring that decisions in the Tbilisi Court of Appeals favour the incumbent Georgia Dream Party. (3) CHINCHALADZE is or has been involved in serious corruption by engaging in serious corruption. As Chairman of the Tbilisi Court of Appeals of Georgia, a foreign public official performing an executive or judicial function, he accepted an advantage, namely a lifetime appointment to the Tbilisi Court of Appeals, intending to improperly perform his public functions by ensuring that judicial appointments and decisions favour the incumbent Georgian Dream Party. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16851.

##### 2. CURRUCHICHE CUCUL, Jose Rafael

**DOB:** 28/07/1970. **POB:** Guatemala **Nationality:** Guatemala **Passport Number:** 229488307 **Position:** Head of the Special Prosecution Office Against Impunity (La Fiscalía Especial contra la Impunidad) **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0068. (UK Statement of Reasons): There are reasonable grounds to suspect that José Rafael Curruchiche Cucul ("Curruchiche") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) Curruchiche is or has been involved in serious corruption by being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption. Whilst a prosecutor within the Public Ministry (Ministerio Público, MP), a foreign public official exercising a judicial function, he accepted a promotion to Head of the Special Prosecution Office Against Impunity (Fiscalía Especial contra la Impunidad, FECl). He did so in anticipation of him improperly performing a public function as Head of the FECl, intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the Guatemalan political elite. (2) Curruchiche is or has been involved in serious corruption, by being responsible for the investigation or prosecution of serious

corruption and intentionally failing to fulfil that responsibility. Whilst a prosecutor within the MP, a foreign public official exercising a judicial function, he accepted a promotion to Head of the FECl. He did so in anticipation of him improperly performing a public function as Head of the FECl, intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the Guatemalan political elite. (3) Curruchiche is or has used threats or intimidation to interfere in a law enforcement or judicial process in connection with serious corruption. Whilst a prosecutor within the MP, a foreign public official exercising a judicial function, he accepted a promotion to Head of the FECl. He did so in anticipation of him improperly performing a public function as Head of the FECl, intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the Guatemalan political elite. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16842.

**3. GIAMMATTEI FALLA, Alejandro Eduardo**

**DOB:** 06/03/1956. **Nationality:** (1) Guatemala (2) Italy **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0064. (UK Statement of Reasons):Alejandro Eduardo Giammattei Falla ("Giammattei") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Anti- Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 based on the following grounds: (1) Giammattei is or has been involved in serious corruption by profiting financially from serious corruption. As President of Guatemala, a foreign public official performing an executive function, he received a financial advantage to induce him to perform a public function improperly. He accepted a bribe from a Russian mining company in return for favourable exploration licences and port access. (2) Giammattei is or has been involved in serious corruption by being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption. During his campaign for the presidency of Guatemala, he bribed a foreign public official to induce the improper performance of a public function. He promised José Luis Benito Ruiz, then Minister of Communications, Infrastructure and Housing, a foreign public official holding an executive function, that he would continue his tenure after the election if Benito received illicit campaign contributions on Giammattei's behalf. The reappointment was an advantage since it permitted Benito to continue improperly awarding construction contracts. (3) Giammattei is or has been involved in serious corruption by being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption. As President of Guatemala, he bribed a foreign public official for improperly performing a public function and intended to reward her for doing so. He secured the reappointment of María Consuelo Porras Argueta de Porres as Attorney General and Head of the Public Ministry (Ministerio Público), a foreign public official holding an executive or judicial position, in return for her undermining anti-corruption investigations into himself and other members of the Guatemalan political elite. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16838.

**4. MARTINEZ MORALES, Luis Miguel**

**DOB:** 12/09/1989. **POB:** Santa Lucia Cotzumalguapa, Guatemala **Nationality:** Guatemala **National Identification Number:** 2459072030502 **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0070. (UK Statement of Reasons):Luis Miguel Martínez Morales ("Martínez") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following ground: Martínez is associated with a person who is or has been involved in serious corruption, namely Alejandro Eduardo Giammattei Falla. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16844.

## 5. MONTERROSO GOMEZ, Cinthia Edelmira

**DOB:** 25/03/1983. **POB:** Guatemala **Nationality:** Guatemala **Position:** Prosecutor in the Special Prosecution Office Against Impunity (La Fiscalía Especial contra la Impunidad) **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0066. (UK Statement of Reasons):There are reasonable grounds to suspect that Cinthia Edelmira Monterroso Gómez ("Monterroso") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) Monterroso is or has been involved in serious corruption, by being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption by way of receiving a bribe. As a prosecutor in the Public Ministry (Ministerio Público, MP), a foreign public official performing a judicial or executive function, Monterroso was promoted to Head of Unit at the Special Prosecution Office Against Impunity (Fiscalía Especial contra la Impunidad, FECl). She received this advantage to induce her to perform a public function improperly, namely by intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the political elite that nominated her. (2) Monterroso is or has been involved in serious corruption, by being responsible for the investigation or prosecution of serious corruption and intentionally failing to fulfil that responsibility. As a prosecutor in the MP, a foreign public official performing a judicial or executive function, Monterroso was promoted to Head of Unit at the FECl. She received this advantage to induce her to perform a public function improperly, namely by intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the political elite that nominated her. (3) Monterroso is or has been involved in serious corruption by using threats and intimidation to interfere in a law enforcement or judicial process in connection with serious corruption. As a prosecutor in the MP, a foreign public official performing a judicial or executive function, Monterroso was promoted to Head of Unit at the FECl. She received this advantage to induce her to perform a public function improperly, namely by intentionally launching baseless legal challenges against noted journalists and judicial figures who had uncovered corruption in order to silence them. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16840.

## 6. MURUSIDZE, Levan

**Name (non-Latin script):** ლევან მურუსიძე

**DOB:** 01/03/1975. **POB:** Tblisi, Georgia **Position:** (1) Judge on the Tblisi Court of Appeals (2) Member of the High Council of Justice of Georgia **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0076. (UK Statement of Reasons):There are reasonable grounds to suspect that Levan Murusidze ("MURUSIDZE") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) MURUSIDZE is or has been involved in serious corruption by engaging in serious corruption. As a Member of the High Council of Justice of Georgia, a foreign public official performing an executive or judicial function, he received a financial advantage as a reward for improperly performing his public functions, specifically improperly asserting his influence as a Member of the High Council of Justice to ensure that judicial appointments and decisions favoured the incumbent Georgian Dream Party. (2) MURUSIDZE is or has been involved in serious corruption by engaging in serious corruption. As a Member of the High Council of Justice of Georgia, a foreign public official performing an executive or judicial function, he accepted an advantage, namely a lifetime appointment to the Tbilisi Court of Appeals, intending in consequence to continue improperly performing his public functions by ensuring that judicial appointments and decisions favour the incumbent Georgian Dream Party. (3) MURUSIDZE is or has been involved in serious corruption by engaging in serious corruption. As a Member of the High Council of Justice of Georgia, a foreign public

official performing an executive or judicial function, he accepted an advantage, namely a lifetime appointment to the Tbilisi Court of Appeals, intending to improperly perform his public functions by ensuring that judicial appointments and decisions favour the incumbent Georgian Dream Party. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16850.

#### 7. Parasca, Natalia

**Position:** Board Member of Evrazia **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0073. (UK Statement of Reasons): Natalia PARASCA ("PARASCA") is an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) PARASCA is acting on behalf of or at the direction of Ilan Shor;

(2) PARASCA is associated with Ilan Shor. Ilan Shor is an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis that he has been involved in serious corruption, namely being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption with respect to bribery of foreign public officials. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16847.

#### 8. PARUTENKO, Nelli Alekseyevna

**Name (non-Latin script):** Нелли Алексеевна Парутенко

**DOB:** 21/03/1962. **a.k.a:** (1) JARDAN, Neli (2) PARUTENCO, Nelli (3) PARUTENCOVA, Nelli

**Nationality:** Moldova **Passport Number:** 0970403899047 **National Identification**

**Number:** 504322957620 **National Identification Details:** Russian INN Tax Number

**Position:** Director of Evrazia **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0074. (UK Statement of Reasons):Nelli Alekseyevna PARUTENKO ("PARUTENKO") is an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) PARUTENKO is acting on behalf of or at the direction of Ilan Shor;

(2) PARUTENKO is associated with Ilan Shor. Ilan Shor is an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis that he has been involved in serious corruption, namely being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption with respect to bribery of foreign public officials. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16848.

#### 9. PINEDA AVILA, Angel Arnoldo

**DOB:** 10/05/1975. **POB:** Guatemala **Nationality:** Guatemala **Passport Number:**

238937186 **Position:** Secretary General of the Public Ministry (Ministerio Público) **Other**

**Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0065. (UK Statement of Reasons): There are reasonable grounds to suspect that Ángel Arnoldo Pineda Ávila ("Pineda") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021

on the basis of the following grounds: (1) Pineda is or has been involved in serious corruption, by being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption. When Secretary of International Affairs and Cooperation at the Public Ministry (Ministerio Público, MP), a foreign public official performing an executive or administrative function, he received an advantage, namely his appointment as Secretary General of the MP. On accepting the advantage, he intended to improperly perform a public function. He has done so by intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the Guatemalan political elite and pursuing meritless legal challenges against journalists, judges and prosecutors who revealed endemic corruption in Guatemala. (2) Pineda is or has been involved in serious corruption, by being responsible for the investigation or prosecution of serious corruption and intentionally failing to fulfil that responsibility. When Secretary of International Affairs and Cooperation at the MP, a foreign public official performing an

executive or administrative function, he received an advantage, namely his appointment as Secretary General of the MP. On accepting the advantage, he intended to improperly perform a public function. He has done so by intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the Guatemalan political elite and pursuing meritless legal challenges against journalists, judges and prosecutors who revealed endemic corruption in Guatemala. (3) Pineda is or has used threats or intimidation to interfere in a law enforcement or judicial process in connection with serious corruption. When Secretary of International Affairs and Cooperation at the MP, a foreign public official performing an executive or administrative function, he received an advantage, namely his appointment as Secretary General of the MP. On accepting the advantage, he intended to improperly perform a public function. He has done so by intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the Guatemalan political elite and pursuing meritless legal challenges against journalists, judges and prosecutors who revealed endemic corruption in Guatemala. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16839.

**10. PORRAS ARGUETA DE PORRES, Maria Consuelo**

**DOB:** 23/08/1953. **Nationality:** Guatemala **National Identification Number:** 242159605 **Position:** (1) Attorney General (2) Head of the Public Ministry (Ministerio Público) **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0067. (UK Statement of Reasons): There are reasonable grounds to suspect that María Consuelo Porras Argueta de Porres ("Porras") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) Porras is or has been involved in serious corruption by being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption by way of receiving a bribe. As Attorney General and Head of the Public Ministry (Ministerio Público, MP) of Guatemala, a foreign public official performing a judicial or executive function, Porras received an advantage to induce her to improperly perform a public function. That advantage was President Giammattei's decision to reappoint her to the role. Thereafter, she continued to improperly discharge her functions by intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the political elite that nominated her. In particular, she undermined investigations into President Giammattei's election and tenure as President. (2) Porras is or has been involved in serious corruption by being responsible for the investigation or prosecution of serious corruption and intentionally failing to fulfil that responsibility. As Attorney General and Head of the MP of Guatemala, a foreign public official performing a judicial or executive function, Porras received an advantage to induce her to perform a public function improperly, namely her reappointment to the role. Thereafter, she continued to improperly perform her function by intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the political elite that nominated her. In particular, she undermined the operational independence of the Special Prosecutor's Office Against Impunity (Fiscalía Especial contra la Impunidad), dismissing prosecutors therefrom and appointing compliant replacements. (3) Porras is or has been involved in serious corruption by using threats or intimidation to interfere in, or otherwise interfering in, a law enforcement or judicial process in connection with serious corruption. As Attorney General and Head of the MP of Guatemala, a foreign public official performing a judicial or executive function, Porras received an advantage to induce her to perform a public function improperly, namely her reappointment to the role. Thereafter, she continued to improperly perform her function by intentionally undermining corruption investigations into the political elite that nominated her. In particular, she removed from office and pursued unfounded legal challenges against notable anti-corruption prosecutors who had sought to tackle serious corruption in Guatemala. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16841.

#### 11. QUIJIVIX VEGA, Melvin Ernesto

**DOB:** 09/07/1977. **Nationality:** Guatemala **National Identification Number:** 1586730420101 **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0069. (UK Statement of Reasons):There are reasonable grounds to suspect that Melvin Ernesto Quijivix Vega ("Quijivix") is an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulation 2021 on the basis of the following ground: Quijivix is or has been involved in serious corruption by profiting financially or obtaining a benefit from serious corruption. During his tenure as President of the National Institute of Electrification (Instituto Nacional de Electrificación), when he was a foreign public official holding an executive or administrative position in Guatemala, he had a role in the grant or allocation of property and improperly diverted, granted or allocated that property, namely public funds, for his own benefit, to companies in which he held an interest, specifically Grupo Eda and MINE. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16843.

#### 12. TAUBER, Marina

**Name (non-Latin script):** Марина Таубер

**DOB:** 01/05/1986. **POB:** Chişinău, Moldova **a.k.a:** TAUBEROVA, Marina **Position:** Member of Parliament **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0075. (UK Statement of Reasons):Marina TAUBER ("TAUBER") is an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) TAUBER is associated with Ilan Shor, an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis that he has been involved in serious corruption, namely being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption with respect to bribery of foreign public officials; (2) TAUBER is acting on behalf of or at the direction of Ilan Shor. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16849.

### Entities

#### 1. EVRAZIA

**a.k.a:** (1) Autonomous Non-Commercial Organization for the Promotion of International Cooperation Eurasia (2) Eurasia (3) Evrazia - autonome niet-commerciele organisatie voor de bevordering van internationale samenwerking (4) Evraziya (5) Organisation autonome non commerciale pour la promotion de la cooperation internationale **Address:** Krasnoproletarskaya Street 7, office 4/P, Moscow, Russia, 127006. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):GAC0072. (UK Statement of Reasons):EVRAZIA is an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) EVRAZIA is acting on behalf of or at the direction of Ilan Shor; (2) EVRAZIA is associated with Ilan Shor. Ilan Shor is an involved person under the Global Anti-Corruption Sanctions Regulations 2021 on the basis that he has been involved in serious corruption, namely being responsible for or engaging in serious corruption with respect to bribery of foreign public officials. (Website):evrazia.su (Business Reg No):(1) OGRN: 1247700291200 (2) KPP: 770701001 (3) INN: 9707028663 **Listed on:** 02/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 02/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 02/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16846.

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