



FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

10 April 2025

Financial Sanction Notice

Directions from Financial Services Commission

Please be informed that 4 entries have been added to the Global Human Rights financial sanctions regime.

On 10 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.

4 entries have been added to the Global Human Rights financial sanction 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>) under the heading "Sanctions" for your future reference.

Please be guided accordingly.



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Global Human Rights

Introduction

1. The Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/680) (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 of persons who are or have been involved in an activity which, if carried out by or on behalf of a State within the territory of that State, would amount to a serious violation by that State of an individual's right to life, right not to be subjected to torture or cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, or right to be free from slavery, not to be held in servitude or required to perform forced or compulsory labour, whether or not the activity is carried out by or on behalf of a State.
2. On 10 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. The following entries have been added to the Consolidated List and are now subject to an asset freeze:
 - Shalva BEDOIDZE (Group ID: 16852)
 - Giorgi GABITASHVILI (Group ID: 16855)
 - Karlo KATSITADZE (Group ID: 16854)
 - Mirza KEZEVADZE (Group ID: 16853)

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 Human Rights 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-fags>.

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

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: GLOBAL HUMAN RIGHTS

THE GLOBAL HUMAN RIGHTS SANCTIONS REGULATIONS 2020 (S.I. 2020/680)

ADDITIONS

Individuals

1. BEDOIDZE, Shalva

Name (non-Latin script): შალვა ბედოიძე

DOB: 07/06/1983. **POB:** Georgia **Nationality:** Georgia **National Identification Number:** 12001013992 **National Identification Details:** Georgian National ID Number **Position:** First Deputy Minister of Internal Affairs of Georgia **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0152. (UK Statement of Reasons): "Shalva Bedoidze is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis of the following ground: Shalva Bedoidze is and/or has been responsible for activity which amounts to a serious violation of the right of individuals not to be subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Specifically, during the protests that occurred following the announcement of the suspension of EU accession talks, the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia oversaw the police force's disproportionate use of violence against protestors." (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 10/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 10/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 10/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16852.

2. GABITASHVILI, Giorgi

Name (non-Latin script): გიორგი გაბიტაშვილი

DOB: 02/01/1982. **Nationality:** Georgia **National Identification Number:** 1020007469 **National Identification Details:** Georgian National ID Number **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0155. (UK Statement of Reasons): "Giorgi Gabitashvili is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis of the following ground: Giorgi Gabitashvili is and/or has been responsible for the investigation or prosecution of activity which amounts to a serious violation of the right of individuals not to be subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment and intentionally or recklessly fails to fulfil that responsibility. Specifically, during the protests that occurred after the passage of the foreign influence law, security forces from the Ministry of Internal Affairs Special Task Department (Special Task Department), and Tbilisi Police Department, violently targeted Georgian citizens, political opposition leaders, journalists, and youth activists. In his role as General Prosecutor, Giorgi Gabitashvili is responsible for overseeing the investigation into, and prosecution of, law enforcement officials accountable for police violence and in this instance has failed to do so." (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 10/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 10/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 10/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16855.

3. KATSITADZE, Karlo

Name (non-Latin script): კარლო კაციტაძე

DOB: 22/04/1986. **a.k.a:** KATSITADZE, Koka (non-Latin script: კოკა კაციტაძე) **Nationality:** Georgia **National Identification Number:** 1009017815 **National Identification Details:** Georgian National ID Number **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0154. (UK Statement of Reasons): "Karlo Katsitadze is an involved person within the meaning of the

Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis of the following ground: Karlo Katsitadze is and/or has been responsible for the investigation or prosecution of activity which amounts to a serious violation of the right of individuals not to be subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, and has intentionally or recklessly failed to fulfil that responsibility. Specifically, during the protests that occurred after the passage of the foreign influence law, security forces from the Ministry of Internal Affairs Special Task Department (Special Task Department), and Tbilisi Police Department, violently targeted Georgian citizens, political opposition leaders, journalists, and youth activists. In his role as Head of the Special Investigatory Service, Karlo Katsitadze is responsible for investigating and holding law enforcement officials accountable for police violence, and in this instance has failed to do so." (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 10/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 10/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 10/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16854.

4. KEZEVADZE, Mirza

Name (non-Latin script): მირზა კეზევადე

DOB: 23/05/1980. **Nationality:** Georgia **Position:** Deputy Head of the Special Task Department **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0153. (UK Statement of Reasons): Mirza Kezevadze is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis of the following ground: Mirza Kezevadze is and/or has been responsible for activity which amounts to a serious violation of the right of individuals not to be subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment. Specifically, during the protests that occurred after the passage of the foreign influence law, security forces from the Ministry of Internal Affairs Special Task Department (Special Task Department), and Tbilisi Police Department, violently targeted Georgian citizens, political opposition leaders, journalists, and youth activists. In his role as Deputy Chief of the Special Task Department, this violence was overseen by Mirza Kezevadze. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 10/04/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 10/04/2025 **Last Updated:** 10/04/2025 **Group ID:** 16853.

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