

# **FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION**

10<sup>th</sup> June 2025

# **Financial Sanction Notice**

# **Directions from Financial Services Commission**

Please be informed that 2 entries have been added under the Global Human Rights financial sanctions regime.

On 10 June 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.

2 entries have been added under the Global Human Rights 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) 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 June 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:
  - Itamar BEN-GVIR (Group ID: 16961)
  - Bezalel Yoel SMOTRICH (Group ID: 16962)

## 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**

- 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: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specificconsolidated-lists-and-releases</u>.
- 9. The Consolidated List can be found here: <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-</u> <u>targets/consolidated-list-of-targets</u>.
- 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. BEN-GVIR, Itamar

Name (non-Latin script): איתמר בן גביר

**DOB:** 06/05/1976. **POB:** Mevaseret Zion, Israel **Nationality:** Israel **Address:** Giv'at HaAvot, Kiryat Arba. West Bank. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0163. (UK Statement of Reasons): Itamar BEN-GVIR (hereafter "BEN-GVIR") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis of the following ground: BEN-GVIR is responsible for, engaging in, inciting, promoting and/or supporting activity which amounts to a serious abuse of the right of individuals not to be subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, in particular acts of aggression and violence against Palestinian individuals in the West Bank. (Gender): Male Listed on: 10/06/2025 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 10/06/2025 Last Updated: 10/06/2025 Group ID: 16961.

#### 2. SMOTRICH, Bezalel Yoel

Name (non-Latin script): בצלאל יואל סמוטריץ

**DOB:** 27/02/1980. **POB:** Haspin, Occupied Golan Heights **Nationality:** Israel **Address:** Eish Yemicha Street, Giv'at Rashi, Kedumim, West Bank. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): GHR0164. (UK Statement of Reasons): Bezalel SMOTRICH (hereafter "SMOTRICH") is an involved person within the meaning of the Global Human Rights Sanctions Regulations 2020 on the basis of the following ground: SMOTRICH is responsible for engaging in, inciting, promoting and/or supporting activity which amounts to a serious abuse of the right of individuals not to be subjected to cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment, in particular acts of aggression and violence against Palestinian individuals in the West Bank. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 10/06/2025 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 10/06/2025 **Last Updated:** 10/06/2025 **Group ID:** 16962.

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