



FINANCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION

23 January 2023

Financial Sanction Notice

Directions from Financial Services Commission

Please be informed that 7 entries have been added to the Iran (Human Rights) financial sanctions regime.

On 23 January 2023 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.

7 entries have been added to the Iran (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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Iran (Human Rights)

Introduction

1. The Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/134) were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 (the Sanctions Act) and provide for the freezing of funds and economic resources of certain persons, entities or bodies involved in the commission of serious human rights violations or abuse in Iran.
2. On 23 January 2023 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.
 - Salar ABNOUSH (Group ID: 15713)
 - Ahmad FAZELIAN (Group ID: 15709)
 - Kiyumars HEIDARI (Group ID: 15711)
 - Hossein NEJAT (Group ID: 15710)
 - Qasem REZAEI (Group ID: 15712)

- BASIJ RESISTANCE FORCE (Group ID: 15707)
- BASIJ COOPERATIVE FOUNDATION (Group ID: 15708)

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;
 - ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources and any funds which are owned or controlled by persons set out in the Annex to the Notice
 - iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available (directly or indirectly) to such persons unless licensed by the Governor;
 - iv. report any findings to the Governor, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with the Regulations;
 - v. 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.
6. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Further Information

7. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Iran (human rights) financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases>
8. The Consolidated List can be found here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets>
9. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list>

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

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

Enquiries

11. 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: david.vincent@fcdo.gov.uk

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: IRAN (HUMAN RIGHTS)

THE IRAN (SANCTIONS) (HUMAN RIGHTS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/134)

ADDITIONS

Individuals

1. ABNOUSH, Salar

Name (non-Latin script): سالر آبنوش

DOB: 02/05/1962. **POB:** Hamedan, Iran **a.k.a:** (1) ABANUSH, Salar (2) VELAYATMADAR, Salar (non-Latin script: سالر والبنم دار) **Nationality:** Iran **Position:** Vice Commander of the Basij **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):IHR0135 (UK Statement of Reasons):Salar ABNOUSH is an involved person under the Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because as Vice Commander of the Basij he is or has been responsible for, engaging in, providing support for, or promoting serious human rights violations in Iran including violations of the right to life and the right to freedom of expression through the violent repression of protests. In this role in the Basij he is also a member of an organisation that is involved in the commission of serious human rights violations. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 23/01/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 23/01/2023 **Last Updated:** 23/01/2023 **Group ID:** 15713.

2. FAZELIAN, Ahmad

Name (non-Latin script): احمد فضلوان

POB: Hamedan, Iran **Nationality:** Iran **Address:** General Attorney Office Building, Khayyam St., Tehran, Iran. **Position:** Deputy Prosecutor General for Public Law Affairs **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):IHR0131 (UK Statement of Reasons):Ahmad FAZELIAN in his current capacity as Deputy Prosecutor General for public law affairs, and in managerial roles in the judiciary over 20 years, is an involved person under the Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because he is and has been responsible for, engaging in, providing support for and promoting serious human rights violations in Iran, in particular, the right to be free from torture and the right to a fair trial. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 23/01/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 23/01/2023 **Last Updated:** 23/01/2023 **Group ID:** 15709.

3. HEIDARI, Kiyumars

Name (non-Latin script): كيومرث حيدري

Title: Brigadier General **DOB:** --/--/1964. **POB:** Kermanshah, Iran **a.k.a:** (1) HEIDARI, Kiomars (2) HEYDARI, Kiumars (3) HEYDARI, Kiyomarth (4) HEYDARI, Kyomarth **Nationality:** Iran **Position:** Iranian Army Ground Forces Commander **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):IHR0133 (UK Statement of Reasons):Kiyumars HEIDARI is an involved person under the Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 as in his role as Commander of the Islamic Republic of Iran's Ground Forces he is and has been responsible for, engaging in, providing support for and promoting serious human rights violations in Iran through the repression of protests. In this role he is also a member of an organisation that is responsible for the commission of serious human rights violations in Iran. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 23/01/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 23/01/2023 **Last Updated:** 23/01/2023 **Group ID:** 15711.

4. NEJAT, Hossein

Name (non-Latin script): حسین نجات

DOB: (1) --/--/1955. (2) --/--/1956. **POB:** Shiraz, Iran **a.k.a:** (1) NEJAD, Mohammed, Hossein, Zibae (2) ZIBAYINEJAD, Mohammed, Hossein (non-Latin script: محمد حسین زبایه (نژاد)

Nationality: Iran **Position:** Deputy Commander-in-Chief of the IRGC at Sarallah HQ

Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):IHR0132 (UK Statement of Reasons):Hossein NEJAT is an involved person within the meaning of the Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 as it is reasonable to suspect that NEJAT through his role as Deputy Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) of Sarallah HQ, is an individual responsible for, engaging in, providing support for, or promoting serious human rights violations or in Iran through the repression of recent protests in Iran, leading to violations of the right of life and violations of the right to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly. Through his role in the IRGC NEJAT is also a member of an organisation that is responsible for the commission of serious human rights violations in Iran. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 23/01/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 23/01/2023 **Last Updated:** 23/01/2023 **Group ID:** 15710.

5. REZAEI, Qasem

Name (non-Latin script): قاسم رضایی

DOB: 27/09/1961. **POB:** Abhar City, Zanjan Province, Iran **a.k.a:** REZAEI, Qasim

Nationality: Iran **Passport Number:** D10005996 **Position:** Deputy Commander of Iran's

Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):IHR0134 (UK Statement of Reasons):Qasem REZAEI is an involved person under the Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 as, in his role as Deputy Commander of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF), he has been responsible for, engaging in, providing support for and promoting serious violations with respect to the right to life and the right to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly in Iran. (Gender):Male **Listed on:** 23/01/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 23/01/2023 **Last Updated:** 23/01/2023 **Group ID:** 15712.

Entities

1. BASIJ COOPERATIVE FOUNDATION

Name (non-Latin script): بنیاد تعاون بسیج

a.k.a: Bonyad Taavon Basij **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):IHR0130 (UK Statement of Reasons): There are reasonable grounds to suspect that the Basij Cooperative Foundation is an involved person under the Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 as it has been involved in serious human rights violations in Iran, including providing financial services, or making available funds or economic resources that have contributed to serious human rights violations in Iran. The Basij Cooperative Foundation is associated with the Basij Resistance Force, an organisation that is involved in the commission of serious human rights violations. **Listed on:** 23/01/2023 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 23/01/2023 **Last Updated:** 23/01/2023 **Group ID:** 15708.

2. BASIJ RESISTANCE FORCE

Name (non-Latin script): نیروی مقاومت بسیج

a.k.a: (1) Basij-e Mostaz'afin (non-Latin script: مس‌تضعفین بسیج) (2) Nirouye

Moqavemate Basij **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):IHR0129 (UK Statement of Reasons):There are reasonable grounds to suspect that the Basij Resistance Force is an involved person under the Iran (Sanctions) (Human Rights) (EU Exit) Regulations

2019 as it has been involved in serious human rights violations in Iran, including being responsible for, engaging in and providing support for violations of the right to life and right to freedom of expression and peaceful assembly through the violent repression of protests in Iran. (Type of entity): Paramilitary **Listed on: 23/01/2023 UK Sanctions List**
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