



Nicaragua

Introduction

1. The Nicaragua (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/610) 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 responsible for human rights violations and abuses, the repression of civil society and democratic opposition, or the undermining of democracy and the rule of law in Nicaragua.
2. On 15 November 2021 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.
 - Lumberto Ignacio CAMPBELL HOOKER (Group ID: 14150)
 - Fidel de Jesus DOMINGUEZ ALVAREZ (Group ID: 14152)
 - Ana Julia GUIDO OCHOA (Group ID: 14148)
 - Fidel Antonio MORENO BRIONES (Group ID: 14147)

- Rosario Maria MURILLO ZAMBRANA (Group ID: 14145)
- Gustavo Eduardo PORRAS CORTES (Group ID: 14146)
- Alba Luz RAMOS VANEGAS (Group ID: 14149)
- Juan Antonio VALLE VALLE (Group ID: 14151)

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 Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI);
- iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with the Regulations;
- v. provide any information concerning the frozen assets of designated persons that OFSI may request. Information reported to OFSI 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 Nicaragua 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:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation
HM Treasury
1 Horse Guards Road
London
SW1A 2HQ
ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk

12. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to:
sanctions@fcdo.gov.uk

13. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.

14. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: NICARAGUA

THE NICARAGUA (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2020 (S.I. 2020/610)

ADDITIONS

Individuals

1. CAMPBELL HOOKER, Lumberto Ignacio

Title: Magistrate **DOB:** 03/02/1949. **POB:** Raas, Nicaragua **Nationality:** Nicaragua **Passport Details:** A00001109 **Address:** Nicaragua. **Position:** Magistrate in the Supreme Electoral Council of Nicaragua **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): NIC0012 (UK Statement of Reasons): Lumberto Ignacio Campbell Hooker is a senior official in the Government of Nicaragua. He was the former Vice President and subsequently interim President of the Supreme Electoral Council of Nicaragua, and remains a magistrate of that organisation. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that in these roles he has stifled free and fair elections during civic protests in 2018, shown partisanship towards the Ortega Regime whilst serving as a senior official in the Supreme Electoral Council, and played an active role in disbanding opposition parties. He is responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law, repression of civil society and the democratic opposition and for human rights violations. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/11/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/11/2021 **Group ID:** 14150.

2. DOMINGUEZ ALVAREZ, Fidel de Jesus

Title: Chief Commissioner **DOB:** 21/03/1963. **POB:** Rivas, Nicaragua **Nationality:** Nicaragua **Address:** Nicaragua. **Position:** Chief Commissioner of the Police in the Department of León, Nicaragua **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): NIC0014 (UK Statement of Reasons): Fidel de Jesus Dominguez Alvarez is the Chief Commissioner of Police in the Department of León. In this position, he is responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law, repression of civil society and the democratic opposition and human rights violations within the city of León. There are also reasonable grounds to suspect that he is aware of, and has authority over, similar violations committed by his subordinates within the Police Department of León. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/11/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/11/2021 **Group ID:** 14152.

3. GUIDO OCHOA, Ana Julia

Title: Attorney General **DOB:** 16/02/1959. **POB:** Matagalpa, Nicaragua **a.k.a:** GUIDO DE ROMERO, Ana, Julia **Nationality:** Nicaragua **Address:** Km 4 Carretera a Masaya, Contiguo a Bancentro, Managua, Nicaragua. **Position:** Attorney General of Nicaragua **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): NIC0010 (UK Statement of Reasons): Ana Julia Guido Ochoa is the Attorney General of the Republic of Nicaragua. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that in her role as Attorney General, she has been actively involved in undermining the independence and competence of the Public Ministry; repressing political candidates, non-governmental organisations and journalists; and restricting access to free and fair trials, to freedom from arbitrary arrest and detention, to freedom of expression, association and peaceful assembly, and the right of all persons in Nicaragua to human rights regardless of their political views. She is responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law, repression of civil society and the

democratic opposition and for human rights violations. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 15/11/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/11/2021 **Group ID:** 14148.

4. MORENO BRIONES, Fidel Antonio

Title: Secretary General **DOB:** 26/02/1974. **POB:** Esteli, Nicaragua **Nationality:** Nicaragua **National Identification no:** 161-260274-0001T **Address:** Nicaragua. **Position:** Secretary General of the Managua Mayor's Office **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): NIC0009 (UK Statement of Reasons): Fidel Antonio Moreno Briones has been the Secretary General of the Managua Mayor's Office since 2007. He is also the Organisation Secretary of the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN). There are reasonable grounds to suspect that in his role as Secretary General he is responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law, repression of civil society and the democratic opposition and for human rights violations. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/11/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/11/2021 **Group ID:** 14147.

5. MURILLO ZAMBRANA, Rosario Maria

Title: (1) Vice President (2) Chief Spokesperson for the Government of Nicaragua (3) First Lady of the Nation **DOB:** 22/06/1951. **POB:** Managua, Nicaragua **a.k.a:** MURILLO DE ORTEGA, Rosario, Maria **Nationality:** Nicaragua **Passport Details:** A00000106 **Address:** El Carmen, Managua, Nicaragua. **Position:** (1) Vice President (2) Chief Spokesperson for the Government of Nicaragua (3) First Lady of the Nation **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): NIC0007 (UK Statement of Reasons): Rosario Murillo is the Vice President of Nicaragua, First Lady of Nicaragua, government spokesperson and leader of the Sandinista Youth. According to the President of Nicaragua, Daniel Ortega, Rosario Murillo shares power equally with him - the Constitution allows the President to delegate any duties to his Vice President. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that, in her position as Vice President, Murillo had authority over and knowledge of: the state-backed repression of political demonstrations and activities; repression of civilians including through her leadership of the Sandinista Youth wing; and the discrediting of independent journalists and the exclusion of candidates from the electoral process. She is therefore responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law, repression of civil society and the democratic opposition, and for human rights violations. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 15/11/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/11/2021 **Group ID:** 14145.

6. PORRAS CORTES, Gustavo Eduardo

Title: President **DOB:** 11/10/1954. **POB:** Managua, Nicaragua **Nationality:** Nicaragua **Address:** Nicaragua. **Position:** President of the Nicaraguan National Assembly **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): NIC0008 (UK Statement of Reasons): Gustavo Eduardo Porras Cortés has been President of the Nicaraguan National Assembly since 2017. During this time, Porras has presided over, introduced, voted for, signed, and publicly advocated for legislation which undermines democracy, violates human rights, and represses civil society and the democratic opposition. He is therefore responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law, repression of civil society and the democratic opposition and for human rights violations. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/11/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/11/2021 **Group ID:** 14146.

7. RAMOS VANEGAS, Alba Luz

Title: (1) President (2) Magistrate **DOB:** 03/06/1949. **POB:** León, Nicaragua **Nationality:** Nicaragua **Passport Details:** A0009864 **Address:** Nicaragua. **Position:** President of the Supreme Court of Justice of Nicaragua **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): NIC0011 (UK Statement of Reasons): Alba Luz Ramos Vanegas is the President of Nicaragua's Supreme Court of Justice, and sits on the National Council for Judicial

Administration and Career. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that in her role as President of the Supreme Court of Justice she has undermined the independence of the judiciary, denying accused parties in the courts a free and fair trial, and permitting and actively encouraging cruel, degrading and inhumane treatment of accused parties. She is responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law, repression of civil society and the democratic opposition and for human rights violations. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 15/11/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/11/2021 **Group ID:** 14149.

8. VALLE VALLE, Juan Antonio

Title: Senior Commissioner **DOB:** 04/05/1963. **POB:** Matagalpa, Nicaragua **Nationality:** Nicaragua **Passport Details:** D113169 **Address:** Nicaragua. **Position:** (1) Senior Commissioner (2) Chief of Department of Surveillance and Patrolling, Nicaraguan National Police **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): NIC0013 (UK Statement of Reasons): As a senior commissioner of the Nicaraguan National Police (NNP), Juan Antonio Valle Valle is responsible for human rights violations against civilians during protests, which began on 18 April 2018. The NNP's Department of Surveillance and Patrolling, of which Valle Valle is Chief, has repeatedly restricted the freedom of assembly and expression of Nicaraguans in Managua. Valle Valle was responsible for the harassment by police against individuals sheltered in the Metrocentro shopping centre in Managua in 2019. He is therefore responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law, repression of civil society and the democratic opposition and for human rights violations. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/11/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/11/2021 **Group ID:** 14151.

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