

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury

Financial Sanctions Notice

18/02/2022

Belarus

Introduction

- 1. The Republic of Belarus (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/600) 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 reasonably suspected of involvement in conduct enabling or facilitating the disappearances of four people or the failure to investigate properly or institute criminal proceedings against the persons responsible for those disappearances; the commission of serious human rights violations in Belarus; the repression of civil society or democratic opposition in Belarus; or other actions, policies or activities which undermine democracy or the rule of law in Belarus
- 2. This notice is to issue a correction to 2 listings in the new version of the consolidated list bringing the entries in line with the UK Sanctions List.

Notice summary

- 3. The following entries have been amended and are still subject to an asset freeze:
- Mikhail Alexandrovich DAMARNACKI (Group ID: 13945)
- Natallia Mikalaeuna EISMONT (Group ID: 13993)

What you must do

4. 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
- 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.
- 5. Where a relevant institution has already reported details of accounts, other funds or economic resources held frozen for designated persons, they are not required to report these details again.
- 6. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Further Information

- Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Belarus 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
 targets/consolidated-list-of-targets
- Further details on changes to the new format of the consolidated list can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/uk-sanctions-list-change-in-format/uksanctions-list-change-to-the-lists-format

10. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list

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

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

Enquiries

12. 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

- 13. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: sanctions@fcdo.gov.uk
- 14. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 15. 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: BELARUS

THE REPUBLIC OF BELARUS (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/600)

AMENDMENTS

Deleted information appears in strikethrough. Additional information appears in italics and is underlined.

Individuals

1. DAMARNACKI, Mikhail Alexandrovich

Name (non-Latin script): ДОМОРНАЦКИЙ, Михаил Александрович ДОМОРНАЦКИЙ a.k.a: (1) DAMARNACKI, Mikhail, Aliaksandravich (non-Latin script: ДАМАРНАЦКІ, Міхаіл Аляксандравіч ДАМАРНАЦКІ) (2) DOMARNATSKY, Mikhail, Alexandrovich (3) DOMARNATSKY, Mikhail, Aliaksandravich Nationality: Belarus Position: Head of OMON ('Special Purpose Police Detachment') in Gomel/Homyel Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): BEL0023 (UK Statement of Reasons): Mikhail Damarnacki is Commander of the Special Purpose Police Unit of Gomel (OMON). In his role as Commander, Damarnacki bears responsibility for the actions of OMON officers in Gomel. Damarnacki therefore bears responsibility for the serious human rights violations carried out by OMON officers following the election of 9 August, in particular arbitrary arrests and ill-treatment, including torture, of people believed to be peaceful demonstrators (Gender): Male Listed on: 05/10/2020 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 18/02/2022 Group ID: 13945.

2. EISMONT, Natallia Mikalaeuna Natalia Nikolayevna

Name (non-Latin script): Наталля-Мікалаеўна-ЭЙСМАНТ Наталья Николаевна ЭЙСМОНТ DOB: 16/02/1984. POB: Minsk, Former USSR Currently Belarus a.k.a: (1) EISMANT, Natalia, Nikolayevna (non-Latin script: ЭЙСМОНТ—, Наталья—Николаевна Наталля (2) EISMANT, Natallya, Mikalaeuna (3) EISMANT, Natalya, Мікалаеўна ЭЙСМАНТ) Mikalaeuna (4) EISMONT, Natalia, Nikolayevna (5) EISMONT, Nataliya, Nikolayevna (6) EISMONT, Natalya, Mikalaeuna (7) EISMONT, Natalia Mikalaeuna (8) EISMANT, Natalia Mikalaeuna (9) EISMONT, Natalya, Nikolayevna (10) EISMANT, Natalya, Nikolayevna (11) EISMANT, Natallya, Nikolayevna (12) EISMONT, Natallya, Mikalaeuna Nationality: Belarus Position: Spokesperson/Press Secretary of the President of Belarus Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):BEL0059 (UK Statement of Reasons): Natalia Eismont was appointed Spokesperson / Press Secretary to President Lukashenko in November 2014. In this role, she has actively supported President Lukashenko throughout the flawed election process surrounding the 9 August 2020 Presidential election. Through her activities and statements, she has supported the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Belarus and has undermined democracy and the rule of law in Belarus. (Gender): Female Listed on: 06/11/2020 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 31/12/2020 Last Updated: 16/02/2022 18/02/2022 Group ID: 13993.

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