

Financial Sanctions Notice

07/03/2023

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Introduction

- 1. The Democratic Republic of the Congo (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/433) 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 which are, or have been, involved in: the commission of a serious human rights violation or abuse, or violation of international humanitarian law, in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or; obstructing or undermining respect for democracy, the rule of law and good governance in the Democratic Republic of the Congo or; the production, manufacture or use in the Democratic Republic of the Congo of improvised explosive devices, or in the commission, planning, ordering, aiding, abetting or otherwise assistance of attacks in the Democratic Republic of the Congo with improvised explosive devices.
- 2. On 07 March 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 entry has been amended and is still subject to an asset freeze:

• Bosco TAGANDA (Group ID: 8736)

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
- 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. 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.
- 7. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Further Information

- 8. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Democratic Republic of the Congo financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases
- 9. Further details on the UN measures in respect of the Democratic Republic of the Congo can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage:

https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/

10. The Consolidated List can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets

11. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:

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

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

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

Enquiries

13. 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

- 14. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk
- 15. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 16. 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: DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO THE DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/433)

AMENDMENT

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Individual

1. TAGANDA, Bosco

DOB: (1) --/--/1973. (2) --/--/1974. POB: Bigogwe, Rwanda Good quality a.k.a: (1) NTAGANDA, Bosco (2) NTAGENDA, Bosco (3) TAGANDA, General Low quality a.k.a: (1) LYDIA (2) MAJOR (3) ROMEO, Tango (4) TERMINATOR Nationality: Congo (Democratic Republic) Address: The Hague, Netherlands. Belgium Position: (1) Former Chief of Staff in CNDP (2) Former CNDP military commander Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref):DRC0025 (UN Ref):CDi.030 Born in Rwanda, he moved to Nyamitaba, Masisi territory, North Kivu, when he was a child. Nominated FARDC Brigadier-General by Presidential Decree on 11 December 2004, following Ituri peace agreements. Formerly Chief of Staff in CNDP and became CNDP military commander since the arrest of Laurent Nkunda in January 2009. Since January 2009, de facto Deputy Commander of consecutive anti-FDLR operations 'Umoja Wetu', 'Kimia II', and 'Amani Leo' in North and South Kivu. Entered Rwanda in March 2013, and voluntarily surrender to ICC officials in Kigali on March 22. Transferred to the ICC in The Hague, Netherlands. On 9 June 2014, ICC confirmed 13 charges of war crimes and five charges of crimes against humanity against him; the trial started in September 2015. On 8 July 2019, the ICC found him guilty of 18 counts of war crimes and crimes against humanity, committed in Ituri in 2002-2003. On 7 November 2019, he was sentenced to a total of 30 years imprisonment. He has appealed both his conviction and sentence. <u>On 30 March 2021, the ICC Appeals</u> Chamber confirmed his conviction and sentence. On 14 December 2022, he was transferred to the territory of Belgium for enforcement of sentence. INTERPOL-UN Security Council Special Notice web link: https://www.interpol.int/en/How-wework/Notices/View-UN-Notices-Individuals. (Gender): Male Listed on: 02/11/2005 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 01/11/2005 Last Updated: 18/02/2021 07/03/2023 Group ID: 8736.

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