

## **US TREASURY REPORT**

### WEEK 45 OF 2023

### A. Issuance of Russia-related General License

# On the 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023, OFAC announced the issuance of **Russia-related General License** 76A, "Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Certain Entities Blocked on November 2, 2023."

The new General License amends Russia-related General License (GL) 76, which was issued on Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> November 2023, to clarify that the license applies to Public Joint Stock Company Saint Petersburg Exchange, since the GL76 listed the entity's name as Saint Petersburg Stock Exchange. The GL is otherwise unchanged.

<u>Related Publication:</u> <u>US Treasury/ 08.11.2023/RUSSIA GL 76A</u>

## B. <u>Treasury Sanctions Sinaloa Cartel Network Flush with Illicit Fentanyl on Southwest</u> <u>Border</u>

On the 7<sup>th</sup> November 2023, OFAC sanctioned 13 Sinaloa Cartel members—several of whom are fugitives—and four Sonora, Mexico-based entities. This action was coordinated closely with the Government of Mexico, including La Unidad de Inteligencia Financiera (UIF), Mexico's Financial Intelligence Unit.

In this respect OFAC's SDN List has been updated as follows:

### The following individuals have been added to OFAC's SDN List:

CAMACHO PORCHAS, Jesus Francisco (a.k.a. "Pilo"), Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico; DOB 11 May 1980; POB Sonora, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. CAPJ800511HSRMRS01 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

CHAVARIN PRECIADO, David Alonso (a.k.a. "Chava"), Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; DOB 29



Dec 1982; POB Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; R.F.C. CAPD821229IG4 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

HERNANDEZ MAZON, Sergio Isaias (a.k.a. "Chavelo"), Calle Estribo 3, Colonia El Rodeo, Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; DOB 23 Aug 1980; POB Sonora, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. HEMS800823HSRRZR07 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MENESES OSPINA, Cristian Julian, Mexico; DOB 31 Dec 1983; POB Ibague, Colombia; nationality Colombia; Gender Male; Cedula No. 14137405 (Colombia); C.U.R.P. MEOC831231HNENSR06 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MORENO OROZCO, Oscar Enrique (a.k.a. "Senry"), Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; DOB 23 Sep 1984; POB Sonora, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. MOOO840923HSRRRS08 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MORGAN HUERTA, Jose Arnoldo (a.k.a. "Chachio"), Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; DOB 19 Mar 1972; POB Sonora, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. MOHA720319HSRRRR06 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MORGAN HUERTA, Jose Luis (a.k.a. "Gordo"), Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; DOB 17 Feb 1969; POB Sinaloa, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. MOHL690217HSLRRS02 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MORGAN HUERTA, Juan Carlos (a.k.a. "Cacayo"), Campillo 86, Piso 2, Loc. 214, Nogales, Sonora 84030, Mexico; DOB 25 Sep 1974; POB Sonora, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. MOHJ740925HSRRRN00 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MORGAN HUERTA, Martin, Mexico; DOB 06 Apr 1970; POB Sinaloa, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. MOHM700406HSLRRR00 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MORGAN HUERTA, Miguel Angel, Sonora 335, Hermosillo, Sonora 83296, Mexico; DOB 27 Mar 1973; POB Sonora, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. MOHM730327HSRRRG07 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MURILLO MORGAN, Oscar (a.k.a. "Chino"), Cerrada Lorenzo de Zavala 147, Colonia Miguel



Hidalgo, Culiacan, Sinaloa, Mexico; DOB 01 Apr 1968; POB Sinaloa, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. MUMO680401HSLRRS05 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

RAMOS ACOSTA, Alvaro (a.k.a. "Alvaro Arroz Ramos"), Calle Privada Homero Numero 3, Fraccionamiento El Greco, Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; DOB 31 Mar 1976; POB Sonora, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. RAAA760331HSRMCL00 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

ROMERO WIRICHAGA, Ramiro Martin, Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; DOB 16 Sep 1978; POB Sonora, Mexico; nationality Mexico; Gender Male; C.U.R.P. ROWR780916HSRMRM03 (Mexico) (individual) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

### The following entities have been added to OFAC's SDN List:

COMERCIALIZADORA VILLBA STONE, S.A DE C.V., Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; JesusGarcia Corona 560, Int. 4, Alamos, Nogales, Sonora 84085, Mexico; Organization EstablishedDate 14 Apr 2014; Organization Type: Cutting, shaping and finishing of stone; Folio MercantilNo.4288(Mexico)[ILLICIT-DRUGS-E014059].

CONCEPTOS GASTRONOMICOS DE SONORA, S. DE R.L. DE C.V. (a.k.a. HABANERO'S RESTAURANTE; a.k.a. HABANERO'S RESTAURANTE STEAK WINGS; a.k.a. HABANEROS STEAK WINGS), Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; Calle Ruiz Cortinez 914, Nogales, Sonora 84040, Mexico; Calle Ruiz Cortinez 895, Nogales, Sonora 84030, Mexico; Organization Established Date 03 Apr 2017; Organization Type: Restaurants and mobile food service activities; SRE Permit No. A201703091732456026 (Mexico) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-E014059].

EXPORTADORA DEL CAMPO RAMOS ACOSTA, S. DE R.L. DE C.V., Nogales, Sonora, Mexico; Organization Established Date 07 Sep 2009; Organization Type: Non-specialized wholesale trade; R.F.C. ECR090907HU3 (Mexico); Folio Mercantil No. 3857 (Mexico) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

MORGAN GOLDEN MINING, S.A. DE C.V., Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico; Organization

Established Date 14 Nov 2016; Organization Type: Mining and Quarrying; SRE Permit No. A201611021437031501 (Mexico) [ILLICIT-DRUGS-EO14059].

As a result of this action, all property and interests in property of the designated individuals and entities that are in the United States or in the possession or control of U.S. persons must be blocked



and reported to OFAC. In addition, any entities that are owned, directly or indirectly, 50% or more by one or more blocked persons are also blocked. Unless authorized by a general or specific license issued by OFAC, or exempt, OFAC's regulations generally prohibit all transactions by U.S. persons or within (or transiting) the United States that involve any property or interests in property of designated or otherwise blocked persons. U.S. persons may face civil or criminal penalties for violations of E.O. 14059.

This action is part of a whole-of-government effort to counter the global threat posed by the trafficking of illicit drugs into the United States that is causing the deaths of tens of thousands of Americans annually, as well as countless more non-fatal overdoses.

<u>Press Release Link:</u> <u>SINALOA CARTEL - Morgan Huerta et al. chart</u>

# C. <u>Settlement Agreement between the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of</u> <u>Foreign Assets Control and daVinci Payments</u>

On the 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023, OFAC announced a settlement with daVinci Payments (daVinci), which manages prepaid reward card programs. DaVinci agreed to remit \$206,213 to settle its potential civil liability for apparent violations of sanctions on Crimea, Iran, Syria, and Cuba.

OFAC determined the fact that DaVinci failed to exercise due caution or care when it redeemed prepaid digital reward cards for users who appeared to be in sanctioned jurisdictions to be an aggravating factor.

The settlement amount reflects OFAC's determination that daVinci's conduct was non-egregious and voluntarily self-disclosed.

<u>Related Publication:</u> <u>US Treasury/06.11.2023/ Enforcement Release</u>