

US TREASURY REPORT

WEEK 28 OF 2024

A. <u>Cyber-related Designation Removal; Russia-related Designation Removal; Issuance of Venezuela General License 40C</u>

On the 8th July 2024, OFAC issued <u>updated Venezuela General License 40C</u>, "Authorizing Certain Transactions Involving the Exportation or Reexportation of Liquefied Petroleum Gas to Venezuela".

GENERAL LICENSE 40C which replaces and supersedes General License No. 40B, dated July 10, 2023, authorizes through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, July 8, 2025, all transactions related to the exportation or reexportation, directly or indirectly, of liquefied petroleum gas to Venezuela, involving the Government of Venezuela, Petróleos de Venezuela, S.A. (PdVSA), or any entity in which PdVSA owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, that are prohibited by E.O. 13850 of November 1, 2018, as amended by E.O. 13857 of January 25, 2019, or E.O. 13884

of August 5, 2019, each as incorporated into the Venezuela Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 591 (the VSR).

OFAC clarifies that this general license does not authorize:

- (1) Any payment-in-kind of petroleum or petroleum products; or
- (2) Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the VSR, including transactions involving any blocked persons other than PdVSA, any entity in which PdVSA owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, or any Government of Venezuela person that is blocked solely pursuant to E.O. 13884.

Furthermore, it is noted that nothing in this general license relieves any persons from compliance with the requirements of other Federal agencies, including the Department of Commerce's Bureau of Industry and Security.

Related Publication:

VENEZUELA GL 40C



Furthermore, the following deletions have been made to OFAC's SDN List:

PANFEROV, Alexey Valeryevich (Cyrillic: ПАНФЕРОВ, Алексей Валерьевич), Russia; DOB 30 Sep 1970; nationality Russia; Gender Male; Secondary sanctions risk: See Section 11 of Executive Order 14024.; Passport 761897623 (Russia) (individual) [RUSSIA-EO14024] (Linked To: SOVCOMBANK OPEN JOINT STOCK COMPANY).

TSAREVA, Marina Igorevna, Russia; DOB 09 Nov 1973; POB Krasnoyarsk, Russia; nationality Russia; Gender Female; Secondary sanctions risk: Ukraine-/Russia-Related Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR 589.201; Passport 711002398 (Russia) (individual) [CYBER2] (Linked To: DIVETECHNOSERVICES; Linked To: VELA-MARINE LTD.).

Finally, the following changes have been made to OFAC's SDN List:

ARGO I (f.k.a. AMOL; a.k.a. ARGO 1; f.k.a. CASTOR; f.k.a. CHRISTINA; f.k.a. SILVER CLOUD) (T2EM4) Crude/Oil Products Tanker 99,094DWT 56,068GRT Iran flag; Former Vessel Flag Malta; alt. Former Vessel Flag Tuvalu; alt. Former Vessel Flag Tanzania; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Vessel Registration Identification IMO 9187667; MMSI 256843000 (vessel) [IRAN] (Linked To: NATIONAL IRANIAN TANKER COMPANY).

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Related Publication:

US Treasury/2024.07.08/Cyber-related Designation Removal; Russia-related Designation Removal; Issuance of Venezuela General License 40C

B. <u>Issuance of Russia-related General License</u>

On 10 July 2024, OFAC issued <u>Russia-related General License 13J</u>, "Authorizing Certain Administrative Transactions Prohibited by Directive 4 under Executive Order 14024", which is



effective as of 10 July 2024. General License No. 13I, dated 12 April 2024, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 13J.

According to GL 13J, U.S. persons or entities owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by a U.S. person, are authorized to pay taxes, fees, or import duties, and purchase or receive permits, licenses, registrations, certifications, or tax refunds to the extent such transactions are prohibited by Directive 4 under Executive Order 14024, Prohibitions Related to Transactions Involving the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, and the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation, provided such transactions are ordinarily incident and necessary to the day-to-day operations in the Russian Federation of such U.S. persons or entities, through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, 9 October 2024.

This general license does not authorize:

- Any debit to an account on the books of a U.S. financial institution of the Central Bank of the Russian Federation, the National Wealth Fund of the Russian Federation, or the Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation; or
- Any transactions otherwise prohibited by the Russian Harmful Foreign Activities Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 587 (RuHSR), including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the RuHSR, unless separately authorized.

Related Article:

OFAC 10/07 - Issuance of Russia-related General License

C. West Bank-related Designations; Transnational Criminal Organizations Designation

On 11 July 2024, the US Government, imposed sanctions on three Israeli individuals and five entities connected to acts of violence against civilians in the West Bank.

One of the targets of this action is Lehava, an organization led by U.S.-designated Ben Zion Gopstein that has been involved in acts of violent extremism. Lehava's members have engaged in repeated acts of violence against Palestinians, often targeting sensitive or volatile areas. Additionally, the US GGovernment imposed sanctions on four outposts that are owned or controlled by U.S.-designated individuals who have weaponized them as bases for violent actions to displace Palestinians. Outposts like these have been used to disrupt grazing lands, limit access to wells, and launch violent attacks against neighboring Palestinians.



The financial sanctions actions were taken pursuant to Executive Order 14115, "Imposing Certain Sanctions on Persons Undermining Peace, Security, and Stability in the West Bank. The Department of the Treasury's Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN) concurrently issued an alert related to the financing of Israeli extremist settler violence against Palestinians in the West Bank.

On a separate action, OFAC sanctioned Tren de Aragua, a Venezuela-based transnational criminal organization that is expanding throughout the Western Hemisphere and engaging in diverse criminal activities, such as human smuggling and trafficking, gender-based violence, money laundering, and illicit drug trafficking.

As a result of this action, all property and interests in property of the designated entity 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 OFAC's regulations.

In this respect, OFAC's SDN List has been updated accordingly:

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

BEN HAIM, Reut (Hebrew: רעות בן חיים), 208/5 Weitzman Blvd, Netivot, Israel; DOB 30 Jul 1986; nationality Israel; Gender Female; National ID No. 026528570 (Israel) (individual) [WEST-BANK-EO14115] (Linked To: TZAV 9).

MANNE, Isaschar (Hebrew: יששכר מן) (a.k.a. MANN, Issachar; a.k.a. MANN, Yissachar), Manne Farm Outpost, South Hebron Hills, West Bank; DOB 10 May 1983; nationality Israel; Gender Male; National ID No. 038826939 (Israel) (individual) [WEST-BANK-E014115].

SARID, Aviad Shlomo (Hebrew: אביעד שלמה שריד) (a.k.a. SHARID, Shlomo), Revava, West Bank; DOB 01 Aug 1997; nationality Israel; Gender Male; National ID No. 208389577 (Israel) (individual) [WEST-BANK-EO14115] (Linked To: TZAV 9).



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

HAMOHOCH FARM (a.k.a. HAMAHOCH FARM OUTPOST; a.k.a. HAVAT HA-MAHUCH), Wadi Al-Seeq, West Bank; Organization Established Date 2023; Organization Type: Raising of sheep and goats [WEST-BANK-E014115] (Linked To: BEN PAZI, Neriya).

LEHAVA (Hebrew: להבה) (a.k.a. LAHAVA; a.k.a. PREVENTION OF ASSIMILATION IN THE HOLY LAND (Hebrew: למניעת התבוללות בארץ הקודש)), Jerusalem, Israel; Organization Established Date 2005; Target Type Charity or Nonprofit Organization [WEST-BANK-E014115] (Linked To: GOPSTEIN, Ben-Zion).

MANNE FARM OUTPOST (Hebrew: המאחז חוות יששכר מן) (a.k.a. ISASCHAR MANNE FARM OUTPOST; a.k.a. ISSACHAR MANN FARM; a.k.a. MANNE FARM; a.k.a. "MANN FARM" (Hebrew: "הוות מן")), South Hebron Hills, West Bank; Organization Established Date Jul 2020; Organization Type: Raising of sheep and goats [WEST-BANK-E014115] (Linked To: MANNE, Isaschar).

MEITARIM FARM (Hebrew: חוות מיתרים) (a.k.a. MITARIM FARM), South Hebron Hills, West Bank; Organization Established Date 2021; Organization Type: Raising of sheep and goats [WEST-BANK-E014115] (Linked To: LEVI, Yinon).

NERIYA'S FARM (Hebrew: החווה של גריה), Rimonim, West Bank; Organization Established Date 2019; Organization Type: Raising of sheep and goats [WEST-BANK-E014115] (Linked To: BEN PAZI, Neriya).

TREN DE ARAGUA (Latin: EL TREN DE ARAGUA) (a.k.a. "ARAGUA TRAIN"), Venezuela; Colombia; Chile; Peru; Ecuador; Brazil; Bolivia; Panama; United States; Target Type Criminal Organization [TCO].

Related Articles:

West Bank-related Designations; Transnational Criminal Organizations Designation | Office of Foreign Assets Control (treasury.gov)

Sanctions on Individuals and Entities Contributing to Violence and Instability in the West Bank - United States Department of State

D. Iran-related Designation; Non-Proliferation Designation

On 12 July 2024, OFAC's SDN List list has been updated with the below addition:



HAKIMAN SHARGH RESEARCH COMPANY, No. 0, Crystal Building, Ground Floor, Khomeini Shahr Ring Street, Azadegan Blvd., Central Sector, Khomeini Shahr City, Isfahan Province 8415683111, Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Organization Established Date 11 May 1999; National ID No. 10260357995 (Iran); Registration Number 2649 (Iran) [NPWMD] [IFSR].