



Syria

Introduction

1. The Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/792) 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 involved in repressing the civilian population in Syria or who is or has been involved in supporting or benefitting from the Syrian regime and who are or have been carrying on prohibited activities related to chemical weapons.
2. On 15 March 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.
 - Muhammad Bara AL-QATIRJI (Group ID: 14068)
 - Faisal AL-MIQDAD (Group ID: 14069)
 - Luna AL-SHIBL (Group ID: 14070)
 - Malik ALIAA (Group ID: 14071)

- Yasser Hussein IBRAHIM (Group ID: 14072)
- Zaid SALAH (Group ID: 14073)

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 found obtained from the Syria 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: SYRIA

THE SYRIA (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/792)

ADDITIONS

Individuals

1. **AL-QATIRJI, Muhammad Bara**

DOB: 10/11/1976. **POB:** Raqqah, Syria **a.k.a:** (1) ABU BARA (2) AL-QATARJI, Abu, al-Bara (3) AL-QATARJI, Bara (4) AL-QATARJI, Bara, Ahmad (5) AL-QATARJI, Muhammad (6) AL-QATARJI, Muhammad, Bara, Ahmad, Rushdi (7) AL-QATARJI, Muhammad, Nur, al-Din (8) KATARJI, Abu, al-Bara (9) KATARJI, Bara (10) KATARJI, Bara, Ahmad (11) KATARJI, Muhammad (12) KATARJI, Muhammad, Bara, Ahmad, Rushdi (13) KATARJI, Muhammad, Nur, al-Din (14) KHATARJI, Abu, al-Bara (15) KHATARJI, Bara (16) KHATARJI, Bara, Ahmad (17) KHATARJI, Muhammad (18) KHATARJI, Muhammad, Bara, Ahmad, Rushdi (19) KHATARJI, Muhammad, Nur, al-Din (20) KHATIRJI, Abu, al-Bara (21) KHATIRJI, Bara (22) KHATIRJI, Bara, Ahmad (23) KHATIRJI, Muhammad (24) KHATIRJI, Muhammad, Bara, Ahmad, Rushdi (25) KHATIRJI, Muhammad, Nur, al-Din (26) QATARJI, Abu, al-Bara (27) QATARJI, Bara (28) QATARJI, Bara, Ahmad (29) QATARJI, Muhammad (30) QATARJI, Muhammad, Bara, Ahmad, Rushdi (31) QATARJI, Muhammad, Nur, al-Din (32) QATIRJI, Abu, al-Bara (33) QATIRJI, Bara (34) QATIRJI, Bara, Ahmad (35) QATIRJI, Muhammad (36) QATIRJI, Muhammad, Bara, Ahmad, Rushdi (37) QATIRJI, Muhammad, Nur, al-Din (38) QATRJI, Abu, al-Bara (39) QATRJI, Bara (40) QATRJI, Bara, Ahmad (41) QATRJI, Muhammad (42) QATRJI, Muhammad, Bara, Ahmad, Rushdi (43) QATRJI, Muhammad, Nur, al-Din **Nationality:** Syria **National Identification no:** 11010046398 **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): SYR0375 (UK Statement of Reasons): Prominent and influential businessperson operating across multiple sectors of the Syrian economy. Qatirji supports and benefits from the regime including through enabling, and profiting from, trade deals with the regime in relation to oil and wheat. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/03/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/03/2021 **Group ID:** 14068.

2. **AL-MIQDAD, Faisal**

Title: Dr **DOB:** 05/02/1954. **POB:** Daraa, Syria **a.k.a:** (1) AL-MEKDAD, Fayçal (2) AL-MEKDAD, Fayssal (3) AL-MEQDAD, Fayçal (4) AL-MEQDAD, Fayssal (5) MEKDAD, Fayçal (6) MEKDAD, Fayssal (7) MEQDAD, Fayçal (8) MEQDAD, Fayssal (9) MIQDAD, Fayçal (10) MIQDAD, Fayssal **Nationality:** Syria **Position:** Minister of Foreign Affairs and Expatriates **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): SYR0376 (UK Statement of Reasons): Minister of Foreign Affairs. Appointed in November 2020. As a Government Minister shares responsibility for the Syrian regime's violent repression against the civilian population. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/03/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/03/2021 **Group ID:** 14069.

3. **AL-SHIBL, Luna**

DOB: 01/09/1975. **POB:** Suweida, Syria **a.k.a:** (1) AL CHEBEL, Luna (2) AL CHEBIL, Luna (3) AL SHEBEL, Luna (4) AL SHEBIL, Luna (5) AL SHIBIL, Luna (6) AL SHIBL, Luna (7) ALSHEBEL, Luna (8) CHEBEL, Luna (9) CHEBIL, Luna (10) SHEBEL, Luna (11) SHEBIL,

Luna (12) SHIBIL, Luna (13) SHIBL, Luna **Nationality:** Syria **Position:** Media Adviser to President Assad **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): SYR0377 (UK Statement of Reasons): Adviser to President Assad and a prominent member of his inner circle. As Media Adviser to the President she supports the Syrian regime, which relies on disinformation and a lack of media freedom to repress the civilian population. She is also associated with the Syrian regime through her role as an adviser. (Gender): Female **Listed on:** 15/03/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/03/2021 **Group ID:** 14070.

4. **ALIAA, Malik**

Title: Major General **POB:** Tatrous, Syria **a.k.a:** ALIA, Malek **Nationality:** Syria **Position:** Commander of the Republican Guard **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): SYR0378 (UK Statement of Reasons): Major General and Commander of the Republican Guard as of January 2021, and former Commander of the Republican Guard's 30th Division. Responsible for the violent repression of the civilian population by troops under his command, particularly during the increased violence of the offensives on north-west Syria of 2019-2020. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/03/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/03/2021 **Group ID:** 14071.

5. **IBRAHIM, Yasser Hussein**

DOB: 09/04/1983. **POB:** Damascus, Syria **a.k.a:** (1) IBRAHIM, Yasar (2) IBRAHIM, Yassar **Nationality:** Syria **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):SYR0379 (UK Statement of Reasons): Prominent and influential businessperson and financier to President Assad, operating across multiple sectors of the Syrian economy. The Ibrahim family, led by Yasser Ibrahim, is associated with the Assad regime, and acts as a front for Bashar and Asma Assad's personal hold on the Syrian economy, whilst millions of Syrians are food insecure. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/03/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/03/2021 **Group ID:** 14072.

6. **SALAH, Zaid**

Title: Major General **POB:** Latakia, Syria **a.k.a:** SALEH, Zaed **Nationality:** Syria **Position:** Commander of the Syrian Army's 5th Corps **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): SYR0380 (UK Statement of Reasons): Major General and since January 2018 Commander of the Syrian Army's 5th Corps, and previously commanded the Republican Guard's 30th Division. Responsible for the violent repression of the civilian population by troops under his command, particularly during the increased violence of the Idlib/Hama offensive which began in April 2019. (Gender): Male **Listed on:** 15/03/2021 **Last Updated:** 15/03/2021 **Group ID:** 14073.

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