

Financial Sanctions Notice

28/01/2022

Venezuela

Introduction

- 1. The Venezuela (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/135) 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 a serious human rights violation or abuse in Venezuela, the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Venezuela or other actions, policies or activities which undermine democracy or the rule of law in Venezuela.
- On 28 January 2022 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. 20 entries have been amended on the consolidated list and are still subject to an asset freeze.

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. 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 Venezuela financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website:

 https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases
- The Consolidated List can be found here:
 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets
- 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: VENEZUELA

THE VENEZUELA (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/135)

AMENDMENTS

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

Individuals

1. REVEROL TORRES, Nestor Luis

Title: Minister DOB: 28/10/1964. Nationality: Venezuelan Address: Caracas, Venezuela. Position: (1) Minister for Interior Justice and Peace (2) Vice-President of Public Works and Services and (3) Executive Secretary of the Electrical General Staff Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0001 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (Further Identifying Information): Minister for Interior, Justice and Peace (UK Statement of Reasons): Minister for Interior, Justice and Peace since 2016. Also appointed as Vice-President of Public Works and Services and Executive Secretary of the Electrical General Staff in April 2019. Former General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard. Responsible for serious human rights violations, including torture of (political) prisoners, and repression of the democratic opposition in Venezuela, including the prohibition and repression of political demonstrations, committed by security forces under his command. Currently Minister for Electrical Energy and Sectoral Vice President of Public Works and Services. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that Reverol Torres, as Interior Minister, was responsible for policing, and parts of the Venezuelan security forces. Under the command of Reverol Torres as Interior Minister, the Bolivarian National Police committed serious human rights violations between April and July 2017, including excessive use of force by security forces, arbitrary arrest and detention, mistreatment and torture in detention, and over 120 deaths between April and August 2017. Further, there are reasonable grounds to suspect that he was also involved in the commission of serious human rights violations as former Commander General of the Bolivian National Guard, including during "Liberation of the People" security operations against suspected gang-members in 2015. He was later promoted to General in Chief within the National Guard. (Gender): Male. Listed on: 22/01/2018 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13580.

2. BENAVIDES TORRES, Antonio Jose

<u>Title: Chief</u> **DOB:** 13/06/1961. **Nationality:** Venezuelan **Address:** Caracas, Venezuela. **Position:** (1) National Assembly (NA) Deputy for the Capital District (since January 2021) and member of NA's Permanent Commission on Administration and Services. (2) Former Chief of the Distrito Capital District (Districto Capital) Government until January 2018 (3) Former General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard (GNB) until 21 June 2017. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0003 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (Further Identifying Information): Former General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard (GNB) until 21 June 2017 (UK Statement of Reasons): Chief of the Capital District (Distrito Capital) Government until January 2018. General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard until 21 June 2017. Involved in repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Venezuela, and

responsible for serious human rights violations committed by the Bolivarian National Guard under his command. His actions and policies as General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard, including the Bolivarian National Guard taking the lead in the policing of civilian demonstrations and publicly advocating that military courts should have jurisdiction over civilians, have undermined the rule of law in Venezuela-National Assembly (NA) (2021) Deputy for the Capital District and member of the NA's Permanent Commission on Administration and Service. Chief of the Capital District (Distrito Capital) until January 2018. General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard until 21 June 2017. There are reasonable grounds to suspect he has been involved in repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Venezuela and involved in the commission of serious human rights violations committed by the Bolivarian National Guard under his command. Further, there are reasonable grounds to suspect that his actions and policies as General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard, including the Bolivarian National Guard taking the lead in the policing of civilian demonstrations and publicly advocating that military courts should have jurisdiction over civilians, have undermined the rule of law in Venezuela. (Gender): Male Listed on: 22/01/2018 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13583.

3. CABELLO RONDON, Diosdado

DOB: 15/04/1963. Nationality: Venezuelan Address: Caracas, Venezuela. Position: (1) First Vice President of the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV) (2) National Assembly Deputy (since January 2021) (3) President of the National Assembly's Special Commission for the Judicial Revolution of Venezuela (since January 2021) (4) Former President of the *National* Constituent Assembly. **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0006 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (Further Identifying Information): Member of the Constituent Assembly (UK Statement of Reasons): President of the Constituent Assembly and First Vice President of the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV). Involved in undermining democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela, including by using the media to publicly attack and threaten political opposition, other media and civil society. Deputy of the National Assembly (2021-26) and President of the National Assembly's Special Commission for the Judicial Revolution of Venezuela. Former President of the Constituent Assembly. As President of the Constituent Assembly and First Vice President of the United Socialist Party of Venezuela (PSUV), Cabello Rondon was involved in undermining democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela, including by using the media to publicly attack and threaten the political opposition, other media and civil society. (Gender): Male Listed on: 22/01/2018 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13586.

4. EL-AISSAMI MADDAH, Tareck Zaidan

<u>Title: Vice President</u> Position: Vice President of Economy and Minister for National Industry and Production (1) <u>Sectoral Vice-President of Economy</u> (2) <u>Minister of Petroleum</u> (3) <u>Former Minister of Industry and National Production</u> (4) <u>Former Venezuelan Vice President.</u> Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0007 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (Further Identifying Information): Vice President of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela (UK Statement of Reasons): Vice President of Economy and Minister for National Industry and Production. <u>Sectoral Vice President of the Economy and Minister of Petroleum, former Minister for National Industry. Reasonable grounds to suspect that as the former Vice President of Venezuela with oversight of the direction of the Bolivarian National Intelligence Service (SEBIN) <u>Maddah El-Aissami</u> is responsible <u>involved in the commission</u> for the <u>of</u> serious human rights violations carried out by the organisation, including arbitrary detention, politically motivated investigations, inhumane and degrading treatment, and torture.</u>

<u>Reasonable grounds to suspect</u> he is also <u>responsible involved</u> for <u>in</u> supporting and implementing policies and activities which undermine democracy and the rule of law, including the prohibition of public demonstrations, and heading President Maduro's "anti-coup command" which has targeted civil society and the democratic opposition. (Gender): Male <u>Listed on:</u> 26/06/2018 <u>Last Updated</u>: <u>31/12/2020</u> <u>28/01/2022</u> <u>Group ID</u>: 13679.

5. SUAREZ CHOURIO, Jesus Rafael

Title: Commander DOB: 19/07/1962. Position: (1) Member of the Partido Socialista Unido de Venezuela (PSUV: United Socialist Party of Venezuela) political party (2) National Assembly Deputy for Apure State and President of the National Assembly's Defence and Security Commission (since January 2021). (3) Former Commander-in-Chief of the Venezuelan Bolivarian National Army and (4) former Chief of the General Staff to the Commander-in-Chief (July 2019 - Sept 2020) (5) Former Commander of Venezuela's Comprehensive Defence Region of the Central Zone (REDI Central) Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0008 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (Further Identifying Information): General Commander of the Bolivarian Army (UK Statement of Reasons): National Assembly Deputy for Apure State (2021-26) and President of the National Assembly's Defence and Security Commission. As Former General Commander in Chief of the Venezuelan Bolivarian National Army and Chief of the General Staff to the Commander-in-Chief. Former General Commander of the Venezuelan Bolivarian National Army and former Commander of Venezuela's Comprehensive Defence Region of the Central Zone (REDI Central). *There are* <u>reasonable grounds to suspect that he was responsible for serious human rights</u> violations by forces under his command during his tenure as General Commander of the Venezuelan Bolivarian National Army, including the use of excessive force and the mistreatment of detainees. Has targeted the democratic opposition and supported the use of military courts to try civilian protestors. (Gender): Male Listed on: 26/06/2018 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13683.

6. MORENO REYES, Xavier Antonio

<u>Title: Secretary General</u> Position: Secretary General of National Electoral Council Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0015 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (Further Identifying Information): Secretary General of National Electoral Council (UK Statement of Reasons): Secretary General of the National Electoral Council (CNE). Responsible for signing off CNE decisions which have undermined democracy in Venezuela, including facilitating the establishment of the Constituent Assembly and manipulation of the electoral process. (Xavier Antonio Moreno Reyes previously (until 12 June 2020) served as Secretary General of the National Electoral Council (CNE). There are reasonable grounds to suspect he that Xavier Antonio Moreno Reyes (1) has been involved in undermining democracy and repressing the democratic opposition in Venezuela by signing, facilitating, legitimising and giving credibility to signing off CNE decisions, (including those which facilitated the establishment of the National Constituent Assembly and manipulation of the electoral process), and (2) has acted on behalf of, and/or at the direction of, and/or in association with, the former President of the CNE, Tibisay Lucena Ramirez. (Gender): Male Listed on: 26/06/2018 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13696.

7. LUCENA RAMIREZ, Tibisay

<u>Title: President</u> **DOB**: 26/04/1959. **Nationality**: Venezuelan **Address**: Caracas, Venezuela. **Position**: (1) <u>Minister of University Education (since Oct 2021) (2) Former President of the National Electoral Council (CNE) (3) Former Rector of the National Council (CNE) (3) Former Rector of the National</u>

<u>Experimental University of the Arts (UNEARTE)</u> Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0017 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (Further Identifying Information): President of the National Electoral Council (UK Statement of Reasons): <u>Currently Minister of University Education and former</u> President of the National Electoral Council (Consejo Nacional Electoral – CNE). <u>As CNE President between April 2006 – June 2020</u>, her actions and policies have undermined democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela, including by failing to ensure that the CNE remains an impartial and independent institution in accordance with the Venezuelan Constitution thereby facilitating the establishment of the Constituent Assembly and the re-election of Nicolás Maduro in May 2018 through presidential elections that were neither free nor fair. (Gender): Female Listed on: 26/06/2018 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13582.

8. ESCALONA MARRERO, Alexis Enrique

DOB: 12/10/1962. POB: Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: 7.786.260 Position: (1) Current Chief in Charge of the National Office Against Organized Crime and Terrorist Financing (ONCDOFT) (2) Former National Commander of CONAS and (3) Deputy Minister of Prevention and Public Security. Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0022 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Chief in Charge of the National Office Against Organized Crime and Terrorist Financing (ONDOFT) between January 2018-May 2019. National Commander of the National Anti-Extortion and Kidnapping Command (Comando Nacional Antiextorsión y Secuestro (CONAS) between 2014 and 2017. Former Deputy Minister of Prevention and Public Security. Responsible for serious human rights violations, including torture, excessive use of force and the mistreatment of detainees by members of CONAS under his command. Also responsible for the repression of civil society by members of CONAS under his command. Also responsible for the repression of civil society by members of CONAS under his command. Escalona Marrero was arrested by Venezuelan Military Intelligence officials on 14 September on charges of embezzlement, money laundering, criminal association and "violent outrage" against public officials. (Gender): Male Listed on: 27/09/2019 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13794.

9. FRANCO QUINTERO, Rafael Antonio

Title: Brigadier General DOB: 14/10/1973. POB: Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: 11311672 Position: Former Head of Investigations at the Dirección General de Contrainteligencia Militar (General Directorate of Military Counter-Intelligence) (DGCIM) Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0023 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Agent in the Bolivarian National Intelligence Service (SEBIN). Head of Investigations at the Military Counter-Intelligence (Dirección Directorate-General of Contrainteligencia Militar (DGCIM)) between at least 2017 and December 2018. Responsible for serious human rights violations, including torture, excessive use of force and the ill- treatment of detainees in DGCIM facilities by members of the DGCIM under his command. Also responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition by members of the DGCIM under his command. Linked to the death of Captain Acosta. (Gender): Male Listed on: 27/09/2019 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13795.

10. GRANKO ARTEAGA, Alexander

<u>Title: Major</u> DOB: 25/03/1981. POB: Venezuela a.k.a: GRANKO ARTEAGA, Alexander, Enrique Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: 14970215 Position:

Director of the DAE (Special Affairs Division) of the Director General of Military Counter-Intelligence **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0024 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Head (Director) of the Special Affairs Division (DAE) of the Directorate-General of Military Counter-Intelligence (Dirección General de Contrainteligencia Militar (DGCIM)). *Promoted to Colonel in July 2020. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that he is responsible for serious human rights violations, including torture, excessive use of force causing death and injury and the ill-treatment of detainees in DGCIM facilities committed by himself and also officials under his command. <i>There are also, reasonable grounds to suspect he is involved in Also responsible for* the repression of civil society by members of DGCIM under his command, as well as directly involved in such repression. *In particular, he is l*inked to the death of Captain Acosta. (Gender): Male Listed on: 27/09/2019 **Last Updated:** 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 **Group ID:** 13796.

11. GUERRERO MIJARES, Hannover Esteban

Title: Colonel DOB: 14/01/1971. POB: Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: 10537738 Position: Director of Investigation at Dirección General de Contrainteligencia Militar (General Directorate of Military Counter-Intelligence) (DGCIM) and oversees DGCIM headquarters in Boleita. (1) Appointed to DGCIM's (Dirección General de Contrainteligencia Militar (General Directorate of Military Counterintelligence): Capital District (August 2021) (2) Former DGCIM Director of Investigations (3) Oversees DGCIM headquarters in Boleita (4) Second-in-Command and Chief of the General Staff of 35th Military Police Brigade (August 2020) Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0025 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Second-in-Command and Chief of the General Staff of 35 Military Police Brigade and former DGCIM's Director of Investigations. Former Director of Investigations at the Head of Investigations at the Directorate-General of Military Counter-Intelligence (Dirección General de Contrainteligencia Militar (DGCIM)) from at least April 2019 to August 2019. Believed to currently hold a role in the DGCIM Capital Region. As Head of Investigations, he supervised the DGCIM facility in Boleita. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that he is involved in the commission of Responsible for serious human rights violations, including torture, excessive use of force and the ill-treatment of detainees committed by him and also by officials under his command, particularly in Boleita. Linked to the death of Captain Acosta. (Gender): Male **Listed on**: 27/09/2019 **Last Updated**: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13797.

12. ORNELAS FERREIRA, Jose Adelino

<u>Title: Major General</u> **DOB**: 14/12/1964. **POB**: Caracas, Distrito Capital, Venezuela a.k.a: (1) ORNELLAS FERREIRA, Jose, Adelino (2) ORNELA FERREIRA, Jose, Adelino (3) ORNELLA FERREIRA Jose, Adelino Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: V-7087964 Address: Venezuela. Position: (1) Chief of Staff of the Commander in Chief of the Venezuelan Armed Forces (2) Deputy Minister of Monitoring and Inspection of Government Administration (3) Secretary General of the National Defence Council (SECODENA) (4) Former Second-in-Command of CEOFANB (5) Chief of Staff of CEOFANB. Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0026 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Chief of Staff of the Commander-in-Chief FANB, Deputy Minister of Monitoring and Inspection of Government Administration, and Secretary General of the National Defence Council (SECODENA). José Adelino Ornelas Ferreira has been Second in Command and Chief of Staff of Strategic Command Operations of the Bolivarian National Armed Forces (CEOFANB) since June 2017, having been appointed to the post by Nicolas Maduro.

The CEOFANB is the highest point of command in the Venezuelan armed forces. The CEOFANB sets the strategic direction of all strands of the Venezuelan military (Army, Navy, Air Force, and National Guard (GNB)), coordinates them, and implements operations. Since September 2020, Ornelas has been the Chief of the General Staff to the Commander in Chief. There is reliable evidence that the GNB has committed serious human rights violations during Ferreira's period in charge. A report by OHCHR in 2018 documents incidents of people deprived of their liberty and subjected to cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment and (in many cases possibly) torture, reportedly carried out in part by the GNB. Some of these incidents occurred in the period that Ferreira has held the position of Commander of the CEOFANB. As a commander of the CEOFANB, and Chief of Staff-to the Commander in Chief and Strategic Command <u>Operations</u>, and thus in charge of the GNB, <u>there are reasonable grounds to suspect</u> that Ferreira was is involved in those acts. There is reliable evidence that the GNB used excessive force against people in the Pemon territory in February 2019, including killing three people, and carried out extrajudicial killings of an alleged terrorist group in El Junquito, Caracas. As a CEOFANB Commander and Chief of Staff at the time, there are reasonable grounds to suspect that Ferreira was involved in those grave human rights violations. Finally, there is reliable evidence that In May 2019 members of the Venezuelan National Guard (GNB), which sits under the command of the CEOFANB, during Ferreira's time in role, used tear gas to disperse a march of Due to his role, Ferreira is partially responsible for this opposition supporters. repression of civil society and violation of freedom of expression. (Gender): Male Listed on: 30/06/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13841.

13. REQUENA, Gladys del Valle

Title: Second Vice-President of the National Constituent Assembly DOB: 09/11/1952. POB: Puerto Santo, Sucre, Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: V-4114842 Address: Venezuela. Position: (1) National Assembly Deputy (2) Member of the Preliminary Commission of Electoral Nominations' Committee (3) Vice <u>President of the Permanent Commission of the Family (4) Former Second Vice-President</u> of the National Constituent Assembly Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0027 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): National Assembly Deputy (2021-26), member of the NA's Committee of the <u>Preliminary Commission of Electoral Nominations and Vice President of the Permanent</u> Commission of the Family. Former member of the illegitimate National Constituent Assembly since August 2017, and former Second Vice President since October 2018. Her actions as part of the National Constituent Assembly (ANC) including signing the decree that stripped the immunity of the president of the National Assembly (AN) and the interim-president of Venezuela, Juan Guaido, have undermined democracy and rule of law in Venezuela. (Gender): Female Listed on: 30/06/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13842.

14. DIAZ GONZALEZ, Tania Valentina

Title: First Vice President of the National Constituent Assembly DOB: 18/06/1963. POB: Caracas, Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: V-6432672 Address: Venezuela. Position: (1) National Assembly Deputy (Dec 2020) (2) Vice President of the National Assembly's People's Power and Media Commission (Jan 2021) (3) Former First Vice President of the National Constituent Assembly Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0028 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): National Assembly Deputy (2021-2026) and Vice President of the National Assembly's People's Power and Media Commission. Former member of the illegitimate National Constituent Assembly (ANC) since August

July 2017, and <u>former</u> First Vice President since October 5 January 2018. Her actions as part of the <u>National</u> Constituent Assembly <u>(ANC)</u>, including signing the decree that stripped the immunity of the president of the National Assembly <u>(AN)</u> and the interim president of Venezuela, Juan Guaido, have undermined democracy and rule of law in Venezuela. (Gender): Female **Listed on**: 30/06/2020 **Last Updated**: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 **Group ID**: 13843.

15. AMOROSO, Elvis Eduardo

Title: Second Vice-President of the National Constituent Assembly DOB: 04/08/1963. POB: Caracas, Venezuela a.k.a: HIDROBO AMOROSO, Elvis Eduardo Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: V-7659695 Address: Venezuela. Position: (1) Comptroller General and President of Venezuela's Moral Council (2) Former Second Vice President of the National Constituent Assembly Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0029 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Former First and Second Vice President of the non-recognised National Constituent Assembly (ANC). Lead the non-recognised ANC, signing the 'law against hatred', justifying the removal of a legally-elected opposition governor and banning Juan Guaido from running for any public office. Second Vice President of the Supreme Court of Justice and former President of the Constitutional Chamber. As Vice President of the Supreme Court of Justice (TSJ), there are reasonable grounds to suspect that Mendoza Jover has been involved in repeatedly undermining democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela. The TSJ deprived the legitimate governing body, the National Assembly (AN), of its constitutional powers through several rulings, including through nullifying decisions of the National Assembly Board, nullifying the Democratic Transition Act, and stripping immunity from members of Parliament. Mendoza Jover has sat as a judge for these decisions, and bears responsibility for these grave attacks on democracy. (Gender): Male Listed on: 30/06/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13844.

16. MENDOZA JOVER, Juan Jose

Title: Vice President of the Supreme Court of Justice (TSJ) DOB: 11/03/1969. POB: Trujillo, Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: V-9499372 Address: Venezuela. Position: (1) Second Vice President of the Supreme Court of Justice (TSJ – Tribunal Supremo de Justicia) (2) Former President of the Constitutional Chamber Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0030 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Second Vice President of the Supreme Court of Justice and former President of the Constitutional Chamber. As Vice President of the Supreme Court of Justice (TSJ), there are reasonable grounds to suspect that Mendoza Jover has been involved in repeatedly undermining democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela. The TSJ deprived the legitimate governing body, the National Assembly (AN), of its constitutional powers through several rulings, including through nullifying decisions of the National Assembly Board, nullifying the Democratic Transition Act, and stripping immunity from members of Parliament. Mendoza Jover has sat as a judge for these decisions, and bears responsibility for these grave attacks on democracy. (Gender): Male Listed on: 30/06/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13845.

17. MARQUEZ MONSALVE, Jorge Elieser

<u>Title: Director General of CONATEL</u> **DOB**: 20/02/1971. **POB**: Caracas, Venezuela **Nationality**: Venezuelan **National Identification no**: V-8714253 **Address**: Venezuela. **Position**: (1) Director General of CONATEL (2) <u>Minister of the Office of the Presidency</u> (3) <u>Brigadier General of the National Guard</u> **Other Information**: (UK Sanctions List

Ref): VEN0031 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): As Director General of CONATEL, *Minister of the Office of the Presidency, and a National Guard Brigadier General. As Director General of CONATEL,* Venezuela's telecommunications regulator, Marquez Monsalve has repeatedly repressed civil society and violated freedom of expression, thereby undermining democracy in Venezuela, by shutting down radio stations, blocking news portals online, and taking television channels off air. This has been done by CONATEL, led by Marquez Monsalve, in order to support the Maduro regime, stifle opposition, and hide corruption. (Gender): Male Listed on: 30/06/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13846.

18. PARRA RIVERO, Luis Eduardo

Title: Member of National Assembly DOB: 07/07/1978. POB: Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: V-14211633 Position: Member of National Assembly (1) National Assembly Deputy (2) Vice President of the National Assembly's Permanent Commission on the Environment (3) Former Deputy of the democratically elected National Assembly of 2015 Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0034 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Luis Parra is a deputy of the National Assembly, who claims to be President of the National Assembly. Luis Parra Rivero is a National Assembly Deputy (2021-2025) having been re-elected on 6 December 2020 in undemocratic parliamentary elections not recognised as free and fair by the UK. He was appointed Vice President of the National Assembly's Permanent Commission on the Environment in January 2021. Parra Rivero had previously served as a National Assembly Deputy for the period 2016-2020. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that Parra has been involved in undermining democracy in Venezuela by taking office as NA President on 5 January 2020 under an illegitimate process. The evidence indicates that Parra didn't have the quorum for a session, the session was not moderated by the previous President of the National Assembly and security forces blocked access to MPs that tried to enter the NA to participate in elections for a new National Assembly board. There are also reasonable grounds to suspect that Parra was involved with Operation Alacran, a scandal in which MPs were bribed, intimidated and coerced by the regime (or deputies co-opted by the regime) to not vote for opposition figurehead Juan Guaidó. There are lastly reasonable grounds to suspect that Parra has been involved in undermining democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela through his involvement in a corruption scandal related to the regime's Committee of Supply and Demand (CLAP). There are also reasonable grounds to suspect that Parra is associated with person who is involved in undermining democracy in Venezuela (Nicolas Maduro), through aiding Maduro's attacks on and attempts to control the National Assembly. (Gender): Male Listed on: 30/06/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13849.

19. DUARTE, Franklyn Leonardo

<u>Title: Member of the National Assembly</u> **DOB:** 15/05/1977. **POB:** Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: V-3304045 Position: Member of the National Assembly Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0035 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): <u>Franklyn Duarte is a National Assembly Deputy (2021-2025) having been re-elected on 6 December 2020 in undemocratic parliamentary elections not recognised as free and fair by the UK. Duarte had previously served as a National Assembly Deputy for the period 20156-2020. As a Deputy of the 2015-2020 National Assembly Deputy, there are reasonable grounds to suspect that Franklin Duarte has been involved in the repression of democratic opposition and other actions, policies, or activities which undermine democracy in Venezuela by coming to power through</u>

fraudulent/illegitimate elections for the new National Assembly Board on 5 January 2020 and through his involvement with Operation Alacran. There are also reasonable grounds to suspect that Franklin Duarte, a member of the Venezuelan National Assembly, has been involved in the repression of democratic opposition, and other actions, policies, or activities which undermine democracy in Venezuela by coming to power through fraudulent/illegitimate election for the new National Assembly Board on 5 January 2020 and through his involvement with Operation Alacran. There are also reasonable grounds to suspect that Duarte has been acting on behalf of, or at the direction of, a person (Nicolas Maduro) who is involved in repression of political opposition and other actions, policies, or activities which undermine democracy in Venezuela, by enabling him to attack and control the democratically elected National Assembly. There are lastly reasonable grounds to suspect that Duarte is a member of, or associated with, persons who have been involved with the repression of democratic opposition and other actions, policies, and activities which undermined democracy in Venezuela due to his involvement in Operation Alacran. (Gender): Male Listed on: 30/06/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13850.

20. NORIEGA FIGUEROA, Jose Gregorio

<u>Title: Member of the National Assembly</u> **DOB**: 21/02/1969. **POB**: Venezuela Nationality: Venezuelan National Identification no: V-8348784 Position: Member of the National Assembly Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): VEN0036 Date designated on UK Sanctions List: 31/12/2020 (UK Statement of Reasons): Noriega is a National Assembly Deputy (2021-2025) having been re-elected on 6 December 2020 in undemocratic parliamentary elections not recognised as free and fair by the UK. Noriega had previously served as a National Assembly Deputy for the period 2016-2020. There are reasonable grounds to suspect that Noriega, a member of the Venezuelan National Assembly, has been involved in the repression of democratic opposition in Venezuela and other actions, policies, or activities which undermine democracy in Venezuela, by coming to power through fraudulent/illegitimate elections and by his involvement with Operation Alacran. There are also reasonable grounds to suspect he is associated with Nicolas Maduro, a person who is involved in the repression of democratic opposition and otherwise undermining democracy in Venezuela through his involvement in Operation Alacran. Lastly, there are reasonable grounds to suspect that Noriega was acting on behalf of, or at the command of a person (Nicolas Maduro) who is involved in repression of political opposition and other policies which undermine democracy in Venezuela by aiding his attacks and attempts to control the National Assembly. In July 2020, Noriega, helped by the Venezuelan Supreme Court of Justice (Tribunal Supremo de Justicia (TSJ)), illegitimately took over the leadership of the political party Voluntad Popular, thereby further undermining democracy in Venezuela. (Gender): Male Listed on: 30/06/2020 Last Updated: 31/12/2020 28/01/2022 Group ID: 13851.

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