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## Ukrainian crisis: EU broadens remit of sanctions

As agreed by the European Council of 16 July, the Council has today widened the legal basis for EU restrictive measures in view of the situation in Ukraine.

This paves the way for imposing an asset freeze on entities which materially or financially support actions against Ukraine's territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence. As mandated by EU leaders, the Council is due to adopt a first list of such entities, including from the Russian Federation, by the end of July.

Currently, 72 persons involved in actions against Ukraine's territorial integrity are subject to a travel ban and an asset freeze. At the same time, two confiscated entities in Crimea and Sevastopol have their assets in the EU frozen.

The legal texts will be published tomorrow in the EU Official Journal.

Today's decision was adopted by written procedure.

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