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2013/255/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Syria

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION (CFSP) 2015/...

of ...

implementing Decision 2013/255/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Syria

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 31(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2013/255/CFSP of 31 May 2013 concerning restrictive measures against Syria¹, and in particular Article 30(1) thereof,

¹ OJ L 147, 1.6.2013, p.14.

Whereas:

- (1) On 31 May 2013, the Council adopted Decision 2013/255/CFSP.
- (2) The information relating to four persons and two entities set out in Annex I to Decision 2013/255/CFSP should be updated and a specific entry should be made for one entity.
- (3) Annex I to Decision 2013/255/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Annex I to Decision 2013/255/CFSP is amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels,

For the Council

The President

ANNEX

The entries concerning the persons and entities listed below, as set out in Annex I to Decision 2013/255/CFSP, are replaced by the following entries:

A. Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
182.	Amr Armanazi (a.k.a. Amr Muhammad Najib Al-Armanazi, Amr Najib Armanazi, Amrou Al-Armanazy)	Date of birth: 7 February 1944	Director General of the Syrian Scientific Studies and Research Center (SSRC), responsible for providing support to the Syrian army for the acquisition of equipment used for the surveillance and repression of demonstrators. Also responsible for the development and production of non-conventional weapons, including chemical weapons, and the missiles to deliver them. Responsible for the violent repression of the civilian population; supports the regime.	23.7.2014

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
201.	Wael Abdulkarim (a.k.a. Wael Al Karim)	Address: Pangates International Corp Ltd, PO Box Sharjah Airport International Free Zone, United Arab Emirates Al Karim for Trade and Industry, PO Box 111, 5797 Damascus, Syria	Managing Director of the designated entity Pangates International Corp Ltd, which acts as an intermediary in the supply of oil to the Syrian regime. As Managing Director of Pangates, Wael Abdulkarim provides support to, and benefits from, the Syrian regime. He also holds a senior position in the designated entity Al Karim Group, which is Pangates' parent company. As a result of his senior positions in Pangates and Al Karim Group, he is also associated with these designated entities.	7.3.2015

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
202.	Ahmad Barqawi (a.k.a. Ahmed Barqawi)	Address: Pangates International Corp Ltd, PO Box Sharjah Airport International Free Zone, United Arab Emirates Al Karim for Trade and Industry, PO Box 111, 5797 Damascus, Syria	General Manager of Pangates International Corp Ltd, which acts as an intermediary in the supply of oil to the Syrian regime, and manager of Al Karim Group. Both Pangates International and Al Karim Group have been designated by the Council. As General Manager of Pangates and a manager of Pangates' parent company, Al Karim Group, Ahmad Barqawi provides support to, and benefits from the Syrian regime. Given his senior position in Pangates and Al Karim Group, he is also associated with the designated entities Pangates International and Al Karim Group.	7.3.2015

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
205.	Samir Hamsho (a.k.a. Samer; Sameer; Hmisho; Hamchu; Hamcho; Hamisho; Hmeisho; Hemasho, Hmicho)	Date of birth: 1 March 1972 Syrian passport No N008803455 Brazilian passport No YA056959 Address: Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria Address: 16 Martello Road Poole BH13 7DH United Kingdom Address: 290, Qura Al Assad Damascus, Syria	Samir Hamsho is a prominent Syrian businessman benefiting from and supporting the regime. He is the owner and chairman of Al Buroj and Syria Steel/Hmisho Steel, subsidiaries of Hamsho Trading, a subsidiary of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council. Appointed to the Homs Chamber of Commerce in March 2014 by the Minister of Industry. Therefore, he provides support to the Syrian regime and benefits from his connections with the regime. He is also associated with the designated entities Hamsho International, Syria Steel SA and Al Buroj Trading.	7.3.2015

B. Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
21.	Centre d'études et de recherches syrien (CERS) (a.k.a. Centre d'Etude et de Recherche Scientifique (CERS); Scientific Studies and Research Center (SSRC); Centre de Recherche de Kaboun)	Barzeh Street, Po Box 4470, Damas	Provides support to the Syrian army for the acquisition of equipment used for the surveillance and repression of demonstrators. It is the government entity responsible for developing and producing non-conventional weapons, including chemical weapons, and the missiles to deliver them.	1.12.2011
55.	Tri-Ocean Trading	George Town, Cayman Islands Resident at 35b Corniche El Nile, Cairo, Egypt	Subsidiary of Tri-Ocean Energy which has been designated by the Council. With its parent company Tri-Ocean Energy, benefits from and supports the Syrian regime by organising covert shipments to the Syrian regime. As a subsidiary of Tri-Ocean Energy, Tri-Ocean Trading is also associated with a designated entity.	23.7.2014
55a.	Tri-Ocean Energy	35b Saray El Maadi Tower, Corniche El Nile, Cairo, Egypt, Postal Code 11431 P.O.Box 1313 Maadi	Providing support to the Syrian regime and benefiting from the regime by organising covert shipments of oil to the Syrian regime.	23.7.2014