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II

(Non-legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) No 409/2012

of 14 May 2012

suspending certain restrictive measures laid down in Regulation (EC) No 194/2008 renewing and strengthening the restrictive measures in respect of Burma/Myanmar

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 215 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2012/225/CFSP of 26 April 2012 amending Decision 2010/232/CFSP renewing restrictive measures against Burma/Myanmar ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the joint proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and of the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 194/2008 ⁽²⁾ provides for certain measures, including restrictions on certain imports from and exports to Burma/Myanmar, a freezing of the funds and economic resources of certain individuals and entities and restrictions on financing of certain enterprises.
- (2) Responding to recent developments in Burma/Myanmar, Decision 2012/225/CFSP modified Decision 2010/232/CFSP ⁽³⁾ in order to provide for the suspension, until 30 April 2013, of all restrictive measures except the arms embargo and the embargo on equipment which might be used for internal repression.

- (3) Regulation (EC) No 194/2008 should therefore be modified accordingly to suspend most of the restrictive measures.

- (4) The suspension of the freezing of funds and economic resources should be construed as allowing the release, without prior authorisation by the competent authorities, of funds and economic resources that were frozen pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 194/2008,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The measures referred to in Articles 2, 3, 5, 6, 7(3), 8, 9(2), 11, 12, 13 and 15(2) to (8) of Regulation (EC) No 194/2008 shall be suspended until 30 April 2013.

Article 7(5) of Regulation (EC) No 194/2008 shall be suspended until 30 April 2013 in so far as it refers to Article 7(3).

Article 2

The persons listed in the Annex shall be removed from the list of persons in Part J of Annex VI to Regulation (EC) No 194/2008.

*Article 3*This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 May 2012.

For the Council
The President
C. ASHTON

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 115, 27.4.2012, p. 25.⁽²⁾ OJ L 66, 10.3.2008, p. 1.⁽³⁾ OJ L 105, 27.4.2010, p. 22.

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1. Thidar Zaw
 2. Pye Phyo Tay Za
 3. Ohn
 4. Shwe Shwe Lin
 5. Nan Than Htwe a.k.a Nan Than Htay
 6. Nang Lang Kham a.k.a. Nan Lan Khan
 7. Lo Hsing-han
 8. San San Kywe
 9. Nandar Hlaing
 10. Aye Aye Maw
 11. Nan Mauk Loung Sai a.k.a. Nang Mauk Lao Hsai
 12. Than Than Nwe
 13. Nay Soe
 14. Theint Theint Soe
 15. Sabai Myaing
 16. Htin Htut
 17. Htay Htay Khine (Khaing)
 18. Sandar Tun
 19. Aung Zaw Naing
 20. Mi Mi Khaing
 21. Moe Mya Mya
 22. Thurane Aung a.k.a. Christopher Aung, Thurein Aung
 23. Khin Phyone
 24. Nyunt Nyunt Oo
 25. Myint Myint Aye
 26. Min Thein a.k.a. Ko Pauk
 27. Tin Tin Latt
 28. Wut Yi Oo
 29. Captain Htun Zaw Win
 30. Yin Thu Aye
 31. Yi Phone Zaw
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COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 410/2012**of 14 May 2012****implementing Article 32(1) of Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 32(1) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) On 18 January 2012, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) No 36/2012.

(2) In view of the gravity of the situation in Syria, and in accordance with Council Implementing Decision 2012/256/CFSP of 14 May 2012 implementing Council Decision 2011/782/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Syria⁽²⁾, additional persons and entities should be included in the list of natural and legal persons, entities or bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012.

(3) In addition, the information relating to three persons listed in Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 should be updated, and the listing for one person should be removed,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The persons and entities listed in Annex I to this Regulation shall be added to the list set out in Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012.

Article 2

Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 shall be amended as set out in Annex II to this Regulation.

Article 3

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

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 May 2012.

For the Council

The President

C. ASHTON

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 16, 19.1.2012, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ See page 9 of this Official Journal.

ANNEX I

Persons and entities referred to in Article 1

Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
1.	Adib Mayaleh	Born 1955, Daraa	Adib Mayaleh is responsible for providing economic and financial support to the Syrian regime through his functions as the Governor of the Central Bank of Syria.	15.5.2012
2.	Salim Altoun, a.k.a. Saleem Altoun, a.k.a. Abu Shaker	Chairman and CEO of Altoun Group Born 1940 in Caracas, Venezuela He has Venezuelan citizenship, identification number 028173131 (probably in possession of Venezuelan passport). He has a Lebanese residence and work permit number: 1486/2011	Provides financial support to the regime. Involved in a scheme through Altoun Group to export Syrian oil with the listed company Sytrol in order to provide revenue to the regime.	15.5.2012
3.	Youssef Klizli	Assistant to Salim Altoun	Provides financial support to the regime. Assisted Salim Altoun in setting up a scheme through Altoun Group to export Syrian oil with the listed company Sytrol in order to provide revenue to the regime.	15.5.2012

Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
1.	General Organisation of Tobacco	Salhie Street 616, Damascus, Syria	Provides financial support to the Syrian regime. The General Organisation of Tobacco is wholly owned by the Syrian state. The profits that the organisation makes, including through the sale of licenses to market foreign brands of tobacco and taxes levied on imports of foreign brands of tobacco are transferred to the Syrian state.	15.5.2012
2.	Altoun Group	Altoun Group Maaraba Damascus Countryside North Circular Highway Damascus Syria tel.: 00963-11-5915685 Postal Box 30484 1987 US SIC Codes 6719 NACE Codes 7415	Provides financial support to the Syrian regime. The entity is involved in a scheme to export Syrian oil with the listed company Sytrol in order to provide revenue to the regime.	15.5.2012

ANNEX II

1. The entries in Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 for the persons named below shall be replaced by the entries set out below:

Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
Manal Al Assad (a.k.a. Manal Al Ahmad)	Born: 02.02.1970. Place of Birth: Damascus Passport number (Syrian): 0000000914 Maiden name: Al Jadaan	Spouse of Maher Al Assad, and as such benefiting from and closely associated with the regime.	23.3.2012
Issam Anboubia	President of Anboubia for Agricultural Industries Co. Born 1952 in Homs, Syria	Providing financial support for the repressive apparatus and the paramilitary groups exerting violence against the civil population in Syria. Providing property (premises, warehouses) for improvised detention centers. Financial relations with high Syrian officials.	2.9.2011
Mazen al-Tabba	Born: 01.01.1958 Place of Birth: Damascus Passport number (Syrian): 004415063 expires 06.05.2015	Business partner of Ihab Makhoulf and Nizar al-Assad (subjected to sanctions on 23/08/2011); co-owner, with Rami Makhoulf, of the Al-Diyar lil-Saraafa (a.k.a. Diar Electronic Services) currency exchange company, which supports the policy of the Central Bank of Syria.	23.3.2012

2. The entry listed below shall be removed:

68. Saqr Khayr Bek.

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) No 411/2012**of 14 May 2012****establishing the standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 of 22 October 2007 establishing a common organisation of agricultural markets and on specific provisions for certain agricultural products (Single CMO Regulation) ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 of 7 June 2011 laying down detailed rules for the application of Council Regulation (EC) No 1234/2007 in respect of the fruit and vegetables and processed fruit and vegetables sectors ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 136(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 lays down, pursuant to the outcome of the Uruguay Round multi-lateral trade negotiations, the criteria whereby the

Commission fixes the standard values for imports from third countries, in respect of the products and periods stipulated in Annex XVI, Part A thereto.

- (2) The standard import value is calculated each working day, in accordance with Article 136(1) of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011, taking into account variable daily data. Therefore this Regulation should enter into force on the day of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The standard import values referred to in Article 136 of Implementing Regulation (EU) No 543/2011 are fixed in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

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

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 May 2012.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
José Manuel SILVA RODRÍGUEZ
Director-General for Agriculture and
Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 299, 16.11.2007, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 157, 15.6.2011, p. 1.

ANNEX

Standard import values for determining the entry price of certain fruit and vegetables

(EUR/100 kg)		
CN code	Third country code ⁽¹⁾	Standard import value
0702 00 00	AL	97,8
	MA	69,7
	TR	113,1
	ZZ	93,5
0707 00 05	JO	200,0
	TR	128,9
	ZZ	164,5
0709 93 10	JO	225,1
	TR	96,3
	ZZ	160,7
0805 10 20	EG	54,4
	IL	60,7
	MA	45,4
	TR	44,3
	ZZ	51,2
0805 50 10	TR	52,0
	ZA	142,0
	ZZ	97,0
0808 10 80	AR	113,9
	BR	86,9
	CA	156,6
	CL	104,5
	CN	117,2
	MK	29,3
	NZ	136,5
	US	166,1
	UY	87,3
	ZA	95,0
	ZZ	109,3

⁽¹⁾ Nomenclature of countries laid down by Commission Regulation (EC) No 1833/2006 (OJ L 354, 14.12.2006, p. 19). Code 'ZZ' stands for 'of other origin'.

DECISIONS

COUNCIL DECISION 2012/255/CFSP

of 14 May 2012

amending Decision 2011/427/CFSP extending the mandate of the European Union Special Representative in Afghanistan

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union and, in particular, Article 28, Article 31(2) and Article 33 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

(1) On 22 March 2010, the Council adopted Decision 2010/168/CFSP ⁽¹⁾ appointing Mr Vygaudas USACKAS as European Union Special Representative ('EUSR') in Afghanistan.

(2) On 18 July 2011, the Council adopted Decision 2011/427/CFSP ⁽²⁾ extending the mandate of the EUSR until 30 June 2012. The financial reference amount provided for to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR until that date was set at EUR 3 560 000. The financial reference amount should be increased in order to allow for additional operational needs of the EUSR.

(3) Decision 2011/427/CFSP should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Article 5(1) of Decision 2011/427/CFSP shall be replaced by the following:

'1. The financial reference amount intended to cover the expenditure related to the mandate of the EUSR in the period from 1 September 2011 to 30 June 2012 shall be EUR 3 860 000.'

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its adoption.

Done at Brussels, 14 May 2012.

For the Council
The President
C. ASHTON

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 75, 23.3.2010, p. 22.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 188, 19.7.2011, p. 34.

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION 2012/256/CFSP
of 14 May 2012
implementing Council Decision 2011/782/CFSP concerning restrictive measures against Syria

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union,

Article 1

The persons and entities listed in Annex I to this Decision shall be added to the list set out in Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP.

Having regard to Decision 2011/782/CFSP ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 21(1) thereof,

Article 2

Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP shall be amended as set out in Annex II to this Decision.

Whereas:

Article 3

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

(1) On 1 December 2011, the Council adopted Decision 2011/782/CFSP.

(2) In view of the gravity of the situation in Syria, additional persons and entities should be included in the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures as set out in Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP.

Done at Brussels, 14 May 2012.

(3) In addition, the information relating to three persons listed in Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP should be updated, and the listing for one person should be removed,

For the Council
The President
C. ASHTON

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 319, 2.12.2011, p. 56.

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ANNEX II

1. The entries in Annex I to Decision 2011/782/CFSP for the persons named below shall be replaced by the entries set out below:

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2. The entry listed below shall be removed:

68. Saqr Khayr Bek.

COMMISSION DECISION

of 11 May 2012

concerning the non-inclusion of naled for product type 18 in Annex I, IA or IB to Directive 98/8/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market

*(notified under document C(2012) 3050)***(Text with EEA relevance)**

(2012/257/EU)

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Directive 98/8/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 February 1998 concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market ⁽¹⁾, and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 16(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Commission Regulation (EC) No 1451/2007 of 4 December 2007 on the second phase of the 10-year work programme referred to in Article 16(2) of Directive 98/8/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council concerning the placing of biocidal products on the market ⁽²⁾ establishes a list of active substances to be assessed, with a view to their possible inclusion in Annex I, IA or IB to Directive 98/8/EC. That list includes naled.
- (2) Pursuant to Regulation (EC) No 1451/2007, naled (CAS Nr 300-76-5; EC Nr 206-098-3) has been evaluated in accordance with Article 11(2) of Directive 98/8/EC for use in product type 18, insecticides, acaricides and products to control other arthropods, as defined in Annex V to that Directive.
- (3) France was designated as Rapporteur Member State and submitted the competent authority report, together with a recommendation, to the Commission on 17 February 2010 in accordance with Article 14(4) and (6) of Regulation (EC) No 1451/2007.
- (4) The competent authority report was reviewed by the Member States and the Commission. In accordance with Article 15(4) of Regulation (EC) No 1451/2007, the findings of the review were incorporated, within the Standing Committee on Biocidal Products on 9 December 2011, in an assessment report.
- (5) The assessment has demonstrated that biocidal products used as insecticides, acaricides and products to control other arthropods and containing naled cannot be expected to satisfy the requirements laid down in

Article 5 of Directive 98/8/EC. The scenarios evaluated in the human health risk assessment as well as in the environmental risk assessment showed a potential and unacceptable risk. Furthermore, the evaluation has not demonstrated sufficient efficacy. It is therefore not appropriate to include naled for use in product type 18 in Annex I, IA or IB to Directive 98/8/EC.

- (6) In the interest of legal certainty, the date as of which biocidal products of product type 18 containing naled should no longer be placed on the market should be specified, taking into account both the unacceptable effects of those products and the legitimate expectations of manufacturers of those products.
- (7) The measures provided for in this Decision are in accordance with the opinion of the Standing Committee on Biocidal Products,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Naled shall not be included in Annex I, IA or IB to Directive 98/8/EC for product type 18.

Article 2

For the purposes of Article 4(2) of Regulation (EC) No 1451/2007, biocidal products of product type 18 containing naled (CAS Nr 300-76-5; EC Nr 206-098-3) shall no longer be placed on the market with effect from 1 November 2012.

Article 3

This Decision is addressed to the Member States.

Done at Brussels, 11 May 2012.

For the Commission

Janez POTOČNIK

Member of the Commission

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 123, 24.4.1998, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 325, 11.12.2007, p. 3.

DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK**of 26 April 2012****amending Decision ECB/2010/22 on the quality accreditation procedure for manufacturers of euro banknotes****(ECB/2012/7)****(2012/258/EU)**

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 128(1) thereof,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular Article 16 thereof,

Having regard to Decision ECB/2010/22 of 25 November 2010 on the quality accreditation procedure for manufacturers of euro banknotes ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 2(4) and Articles 7 and 10 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Executive Board's competence to decide on accreditations under Article 2(4) of Decision ECB/2010/22 is delegated to it by the Governing Council in accordance with Article 12.1, second paragraph of the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank.
- (2) The procedure for granting, renewing and extending quality accreditation laid down in Decision ECB/2010/22 should be amended to allow for faster processing of quality accreditation requests, thereby ensuring the timely grant, renewal or extension of accreditation, and to alleviate the administrative burden on the Executive Board of the European Central Bank (ECB).
- (3) To this end, it should be made possible for the Executive Board to sub-delegate the competence to take decisions relating to routine accreditation to one or more of its members. The sub-delegation will, however, not cover the competence to grant exemptions, reject accreditation requests, suspend or revoke accreditations.

- (4) Decision ECB/2010/22 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***Amendment**

Article 2(4) of Decision ECB/2010/22 is replaced by the following:

‘4. The Executive Board shall be competent to take all decisions relating to a manufacturer's quality accreditation, taking into account the views of the Banknote Committee, and shall inform the Governing Council thereof. The Executive Board may decide to sub-delegate the powers to grant, renew or extend such accreditation pursuant to Article 3(4), and Article 4(3) and Articles 7 and 10, to one or more of its members.’.

*Article 2***Entry into force**

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

Done at Frankfurt am Main, 26 April 2012.

The President of the ECB

Mario DRAGHI

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 330, 15.12.2010, p. 14.

DECISION OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK**of 26 April 2012****amending Decision ECB/2011/8 on the environmental and health and safety accreditation procedures for the production of euro banknotes****(ECB/2012/8)**

(2012/259/EU)

THE GOVERNING COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN CENTRAL BANK,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 128(1) thereof,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular Article 16 thereof,

Having regard to Decision ECB/2011/8 of 21 June 2011 on the environmental and health and safety accreditation procedures for the production of euro banknotes ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 2(3) and Articles 6 and 8 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Executive Board's competence to decide on accreditations under Article 2(3) of Decision ECB/2011/8 is delegated to it by the Governing Council in accordance with Article 12.1, second paragraph of the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank.
- (2) The procedure for granting and renewing environmental and health and safety accreditation laid down in Decision ECB/2011/8 should be amended to allow for faster processing of accreditation requests, thereby ensuring the timely grant or renewal of accreditation, and to alleviate the administrative burden on the Executive Board of the European Central Bank (ECB).
- (3) To this end, it should be made possible for the Executive Board to sub-delegate the competence to take decisions relating to routine accreditation to one or more of its

members. The sub-delegation will, however, not cover the competence to grant exemptions, reject accreditation requests, suspend or revoke accreditations.

- (4) Decision ECB/2011/8 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

*Article 1***Amendment**

Article 2(3) of Decision ECB/2011/8 is replaced by the following:

‘3. The Executive Board shall be competent to take all decisions relating to a manufacturer's environmental and health and safety accreditation, taking into account the views of the Banknote Committee, and shall inform the Governing Council thereof. The Executive Board may decide to sub-delegate the powers to grant and renew environmental and health and safety accreditation pursuant to Articles 6 and 8 to one or more of its members.’

*Article 2***Entry into force**

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

Done at Frankfurt am Main, 26 April 2012.

The President of the ECB

Mario DRAGHI

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 176, 5.7.2011, p. 52.

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