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II

(Non-legislative acts)

INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENTS

COUNCIL DECISION (EU) 2015/372

of 8 October 2014

on the signing, on behalf of the Union and its Member States, and provisional application of a Protocol amending the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the government of the State of Israel, of the other part, to take account of the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union, and in particular Article 100(2), in conjunction with Article 218(5) thereof,

Having regard to the Act of Accession of Croatia, and in particular the second subparagraph of Article 6(2) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the European Commission,

Whereas:

- (1) On 14 September 2012, the Council authorised the Commission to open negotiations, on behalf of the Union, its Member States and the Republic of Croatia, to conclude a Protocol amending the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part and the government of the State of Israel, of the other part ⁽¹⁾, to take account of the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia ('the Protocol').
- (2) Those negotiations were successfully completed on 12 December 2013.
- (3) The Protocol should be signed on behalf of the Union and its Member States, subject to its conclusion at a later date.
- (4) The Protocol should be applied provisionally,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The signing of the Protocol amending the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part and the government of the State of Israel, of the other part, to take account of the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia is hereby authorised on behalf of the Union and its Member States, subject to the conclusion of the Protocol.

The text of the Protocol is attached to this Decision.

⁽¹⁾ The text of the Agreement is published in OJ L 208, 2.8.2013, p. 3.

Article 2

The President of the Council is hereby authorised to designate the person(s) empowered to sign the Protocol on behalf of the European Union and its Member States.

Article 3

The Protocol shall be applied on a provisional basis, in accordance with Article 3(2) thereof, as from its signing by the parties ⁽¹⁾, pending its entry into force.

Article 4

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

Done at Luxembourg, 8 October 2014.

For the Council
The President
M. LUPU

⁽¹⁾ The date from which the Protocol will be provisionally applied will be published in the *Official Journal of the European Union* by the General Secretariat of the Council.

PROTOCOL

amending the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part, and the government of the State of Israel, of the other part, to take account of the accession to the European Union of the Republic of Croatia

THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM,

THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA,

THE CZECH REPUBLIC,

THE KINGDOM OF DENMARK,

THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY,

THE REPUBLIC OF ESTONIA,

IRELAND,

THE HELLENIC REPUBLIC,

THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN,

THE FRENCH REPUBLIC,

THE REPUBLIC OF CROATIA,

THE ITALIAN REPUBLIC,

THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS,

THE REPUBLIC OF LATVIA,

THE REPUBLIC OF LITHUANIA,

THE GRAND DUCHY OF LUXEMBOURG,

HUNGARY,

THE REPUBLIC OF MALTA,

THE KINGDOM OF THE NETHERLANDS,

THE REPUBLIC OF AUSTRIA,

THE REPUBLIC OF POLAND,

THE PORTUGUESE REPUBLIC,

ROMANIA,

THE REPUBLIC OF SLOVENIA,

THE SLOVAK REPUBLIC,

THE REPUBLIC OF FINLAND,

THE KINGDOM OF SWEDEN,

THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND,

being parties to the Treaty on European Union and to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and being Member States of the European Union (hereinafter 'the Member States'), and

THE EUROPEAN UNION,

of the one part, and

THE GOVERNMENT OF THE STATE OF ISRAEL,

of the other part,

HAVING REGARD TO the accession of the Republic of Croatia to the European Union on 1 July 2013,

HAVE AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

Article 1

The Republic of Croatia is a Party to the Euro-Mediterranean Aviation Agreement between the European Union and its Member States, of the one part and the government of the State of Israel, of the other part ⁽¹⁾, signed on 10 June 2013 (hereinafter 'the Agreement').

Article 2

The text of the Agreement in the Croatian language ⁽²⁾ shall be authentic under the same conditions as the other language versions.

Article 3

1. This Protocol shall be approved by the Parties in accordance with their internal procedures and legislation. It shall enter into force on the date of entry into force of the Agreement. However, should this Protocol be approved by the Contracting Parties after the date of entry into force of the Agreement, it would then enter into force in accordance with Article 30(2) of the Agreement.
2. This Protocol shall be an integral part of the Agreement and shall be applied on a provisional basis as from the signing thereof by the Parties.

Done at Brussels, in duplicate, on the nineteenth day of February in the year two thousand and fifteen, which corresponds to the thirtieth day of Shvat in the year five thousand seven hundred seventy five in the Hebrew calendar, in the Bulgarian, Croatian, Czech, Danish, Dutch, English, Estonian, Finnish, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Latvian, Lithuanian, Maltese, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Slovak, Slovene, Spanish, Swedish and Hebrew languages, each text being equally authentic.

⁽¹⁾ The text of the Agreement is published in OJ L 208, 2.8.2013, p. 3.

⁽²⁾ The Croatian text of the Agreement has been published in a special edition of the Official Journal, volume 07-027, 11.11.2014, p. 31.

REGULATIONS

COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) 2015/373

of 5 March 2015

amending Regulation (EC) No 2533/98 concerning the collection of statistical information by the European Central Bank

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank, and in particular to Article 5.4 thereof,

Having regard to the Recommendation of the European Central Bank ⁽¹⁾,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Parliament ⁽²⁾,

Having regard to the Opinion of the European Commission ⁽³⁾,

Acting in accordance with the procedure laid down in Article 129(4) of the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union and in Article 41 of the Statute of the European System of Central Banks and of the European Central Bank,

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EC) No 2533/98 ⁽⁴⁾ is a key component of the legal framework supporting the statistical information collection tasks of the European Central Bank (ECB) assisted by the national central banks. The ECB has consistently relied on that Regulation to carry out and monitor the coordinated collection of statistical information necessary to undertake the tasks of the European System of Central Banks (ESCB), including the task of contributing to the smooth conduct of policies pursued by the competent authorities relating to the prudential supervision of credit institutions and the stability of the financial system, as specified in Article 127(5) of the Treaty.
- (2) Council Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013 ⁽⁵⁾ confers on the ECB specific tasks concerning policies relating to the prudential supervision of credit institutions and the stability of the financial system within the Union and individual Member States.
- (3) In order to minimise the reporting burden on reporting agents and to enable the proper performance of supervision of financial institutions, markets and infrastructures conferred on all competent authorities, as well as the proper performance of the tasks given to authorities responsible for the protection of the stability of the financial system, it is necessary to amend Regulation (EC) No 2533/98 to enable the transmission and use, by ESCB members and the relevant authorities, of the statistical information collected by the ESCB. Those authorities should include the competent authorities responsible for the supervision of financial institutions, markets and infrastructures and macro-prudential oversight, the European Supervisory Authorities, the European Systemic Risk Board as well as authorities authorised to resolve credit institutions.
- (4) This Regulation should not apply to confidential statistical information collected in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽⁶⁾,

⁽¹⁾ OJ C 188, 20.6.2014, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Opinion delivered on 26 November 2014 (not yet published in the Official Journal).

⁽³⁾ OJ C 362, 14.10.2014, p. 1.

⁽⁴⁾ Council Regulation (EC) No 2533/98 of 23 November 1998 concerning the collection of statistical information by the European Central Bank (OJ L 318, 27.11.1998, p. 8).

⁽⁵⁾ Council Regulation (EU) No 1024/2013 of 15 October 2013 conferring specific tasks on the European Central Bank concerning policies relating to the prudential supervision of credit institutions (OJ L 287, 29.10.2013, p. 63).

⁽⁶⁾ Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on European statistics and repealing Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1101/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities, Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, and Council Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom establishing a Committee on the Statistical Programmes of the European Communities (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 164).

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Regulation (EC) No 2533/98 is amended as follows:

(1) in Article 8(1):

(a) point (d) is replaced by the following:

‘(d) as regards the ECB and national central banks, if the said statistical information is used in the field of prudential supervision;’;

(b) the following point is added:

‘(e) as regards national central banks in accordance with Article 14.4 of the Statute, for the exercise of functions other than those specified in the Statute.’;

(2) in Article 8(4), point (a) is replaced by the following:

‘(a) to the extent and at the level of detail necessary for the performance of tasks of the ESCB referred to in the Treaty or tasks in the field of prudential supervision given to the members of the ESCB; or’;

(3) in Article 8, the following paragraph is inserted:

‘4a. The ESCB may transmit confidential statistical information to authorities or bodies of the Member States and the Union responsible for the supervision of financial institutions, markets and infrastructures or for the stability of the financial system in accordance with Union or national law, and to the European Stability Mechanism (ESM), only to the extent and at the level of detail necessary for the performance of their respective tasks. The authorities or bodies receiving confidential statistical information shall take all the necessary regulatory, administrative, technical and organisational measures to ensure the physical and logical protection of confidential statistical information. Any further transmission thereafter shall be necessary for the execution of those tasks and shall be explicitly authorised by the ESCB member that collected the confidential statistical information. Such authorisation shall not be required for further transmission from the ESM members to national parliaments to the extent required under national law, provided that the ESM member has consulted the ESCB member before the transmission and that, in any event, the Member State has taken all the necessary regulatory, administrative, technical and organisational measures to ensure the physical and logical protection of confidential statistical information in accordance with this Regulation. When transmitting confidential statistical information in accordance with this paragraph, the ESCB shall take all the necessary regulatory, administrative, technical and organisational measures to ensure the physical and logical protection of confidential statistical information pursuant to paragraph 3 of this Article.’

Article 2

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, 5 March 2015.

For the Council

The President

D. REIZNIECE-OZOLA

COUNCIL REGULATION (EU) 2015/374**of 6 March 2015****amending Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya**

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 2011/137/CFSP of 28 February 2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya ⁽¹⁾,

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

Whereas:

- (1) Council Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 ⁽²⁾ gives effect to certain measures provided for in Decision 2011/137/CFSP.
- (2) On 27 August 2014, the United Nations Security Council adopted Resolution ('UNSCR') 2174 (2014) extending the scope of the asset freeze measures as set out in paragraph 22 of UNSCR 1970 (2011) and paragraph 23 of UNSCR 1973 (2011).
- (3) On 20 October 2014, the Council adopted Decision 2014/727/CFSP ⁽³⁾ in accordance with UNSCR 2174 (2014) allowing for the listing of persons and entities within the scope of Annex III to Decision 2011/137/CFSP, as listed by the Sanctions Committee. In its Decision (CFSP) 2015/382 ⁽⁴⁾ the Council decided to extend the scope of the additional criteria to persons and entities not listed by the Sanctions Committee but which fulfil the same criteria.
- (4) This amendment falls within the scope of the Treaty and regulatory action at the level of the Union is necessary in order to implement it, in particular with a view to ensuring its uniform application by economic operators in all Member States.
- (5) Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Article 6(2) of Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 is replaced by the following:

- ‘2. Annex III shall consist of natural or legal persons, entities and bodies, not covered by Annex II:
- (a) that are involved in or complicit in ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing the commission of human rights abuses against persons in Libya, including by being involved in or complicit in planning, commanding, ordering or conducting attacks, in violation of international law, including aerial bombardments, on civilian populations and facilities;
 - (b) that have violated or have assisted in violating the provisions of UNSCR 1970 (2011) or UNSCR 1973 (2011) or of this Regulation;
 - (c) that are engaged in or provide support for acts that threaten the peace, stability or security of Libya, or obstruct or undermine the successful completion of Libya's political transition, including by:
 - (i) planning, directing, or committing acts that violate applicable international human rights law or international humanitarian law, or acts that constitute human rights abuses, in Libya;

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 58, 3.3.2011, p. 53.

⁽²⁾ Council Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 of 2 March 2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya (OJ L 58, 3.3.2011, p. 1).

⁽³⁾ Council Decision 2014/727/CFSP of 20 October 2014 amending Decision 2011/137/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya (OJ L 301, 21.10.2014, p. 30).

⁽⁴⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2015/382 of 6 March 2015 amending Decision 2011/137/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya (see page 38 of this Official Journal).

- (ii) planning, directing or committing attacks against any air, land or sea port in Libya, or against a Libyan State institution or installation, or against any foreign mission in Libya;
- (iii) providing support for armed groups or criminal networks through the illicit exploitation of crude oil or any other natural resources in Libya; or
- (d) acting for, or on behalf of, or at the direction of natural or legal persons, entities or bodies as listed in Annex II or III, or natural or legal persons, entities or bodies owned or controlled by them.’.

Article 2

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, 6 March 2015.

For the Council

The President

K. GERHARDS

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/375
of 6 March 2015
implementing 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 Council Regulation (EU) No 36/ 2012 of 18 January 2012 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria and repealing Regulation (EU) No 442/2011 ⁽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, seven persons and six entities should be added to the list of natural and legal persons, entities or bodies subject to restrictive measures in Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012.
- (3) Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 should be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

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

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date 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, 6 March 2015.

For the Council
The President
K. GERHARDS

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 16, 19.1.2012, p. 1.

ANNEX

The following persons and entities are added to the list of natural and legal persons, entities or bodies set out in Sections A and B of Annex II to Regulation (EU) No 36/2012.

A. Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
199.	Bayan Bitar (a.k.a. Dr Bayan Al-Bitar)	Address: PO Box 11037 Damascus, Syria	Managing Director of the Organisation for Technological Industries (OTI), and the Syrian Company for Information Technology (SCIT), which are both subsidiaries of the Syrian Ministry of Defence, which has been designated by the Council. OTI assists in the production of chemical weapons for the Syrian regime. As Managing Director of OTI and the SCIT Bayan Bitar provides support to the Syrian regime. Due to his role in the production of chemical weapons, he also shares responsibility for the violent repression against the Syrian population. In view of his senior position in these entities, he is also associated with the designated entities OTI and SCIT.	7.3.2015
200.	Brigadier General Ghassan Abbas	Address: CERS, Centre d'Etude et de Recherche Scientifique; (a.k.a. SSRC, Scientific Studies and Research Center; Centre de Recherche de Kaboun Barzeh Street, PO Box 4470, Damascus)	Manager of the branch of the designated Syrian Scientific Studies and Research Centre (SSRC/CERS) near Jumraya/Jmraiya. He has been involved in the proliferation of chemical weapons and the organisation of chemical weapons attacks, including in Ghouta in August 2013. He therefore shares responsibility for the violent repression against the Syrian population. As manager of the SSRC/CERS branch near Jumraya/Jmraiya, Ghassan Abbas provides support to the Syrian regime. As a result of his senior position in the SSRC, he is also associated with the designated entity SSRC.	7.3.2015
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 Morgan Additives Office No 2206, 22nd Floor, Jafza View 19, Besides Jafza View 18, Sheikh Zayed Road, Jebel Ali Free Zone Authority Dubai, UAE	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. Morgan Additives Office No 2206, 22nd Floor, Jafza View 19, Besides Jafza View 18, Sheikh Zayed Road, Jebel Ali Free Zone Authority Dubai, UAE	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
203.	George Haswani (a.k.a. Heswani; Hasawani; Al Hasawani)	Address: Damascus Province, Yabroud, Al Jalaa St, Syria	Prominent Syrian businessman, co-owner of HESCO Engineering and Construction Company, a major engineering and construction company in Syria. He has close ties to the Syrian regime. George Haswani provides support and benefits from the regime through his role as a middleman in deals for the purchase of oil from ISIL by the Syrian regime. He also benefits from the regime through favourable treatment including the award of a contract (as a sub-contractor) with Stroytransgaz, a major Russian oil company.	7.3.2015
204.	Emad Hamsho (a.k.a. Imad Hmisho; Hamchu; Hamcho; Hamisho; Hmeisho; Hemasho)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria	Occupies a senior management position in Hamsho Trading. As a result of his senior position in Hamsho Trading, a subsidiary of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council, he provides support to the Syrian regime. He is also associated with a designated entity, Hamsho International. Emad Hamsho funds Shabiha militias who in turn collect steel from the areas destroyed by the Syrian regime armed forces and militias and melt it down in local Syria Steel (Hmisho Steel) factories. He is also vice-president of the Syrian Council of Iron and Steel alongside designated regime businessmen such as Aymen Jaber. He is also an associate of Bashar Al-Assad.	7.3.2015
205.	Samir Hamsho (a.k.a. Samer; Sameer; Hmisho; Hamchu; Hamcho; Hamisho; Hmeisho; Hemasho)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street 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.	7.3.2015

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
			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.	

B. Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
65.	Organisation for Technological Industries (a.k.a. Technical Industries Corporation (TIC))	Address: PO Box 11037 Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of the Syrian Ministry of Defence, which has been designated by the Council. OTI is involved in the production of chemical weapons for the Syrian regime. It is therefore responsible for the violent repression against the Syrian population. As a subsidiary of the Ministry of Defence, it is also associated with a designated entity.	7.3.2015
66.	Syrian Company for Information Technology (SCIT)	Address: PO Box 11037 Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of the Organisation for Technological Industries (OTI) and therefore the Syrian Ministry of Defence, which have been designated by the Council. It also works with the Central Bank of Syria which has been designated by the Council. As a subsidiary of OTI and the Ministry of Defence, SCIT is associated with these designated entities.	7.3.2015
67.	Hamsho Trading (a.k.a. Hamsho Group; Hmisho Trading Group; Hmisho Economic Group)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council. As such, Hamsho Trading is associated with a designated entity, Hamsho International. Supports the Syrian regime through its subsidiaries, including Syria Steel. Through its subsidiaries it is associated with groups such as the pro-regime Shabiha militias.	7.3.2015
68.	Syria Steel SA (a.k.a. Syria Steel Co; Syria Steel Rolling Mill; Hmisho Steel)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of Hamsho Trading and therefore ultimately a subsidiary of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council. As such, Syria Steel SA is associated with a designated entity. Syria Steel also supports the Syrian regime through its work with Shabiha militias and producing armaments.	7.3.2015
69.	Al Buroj Trading (a.k.a. Borouj Trading Company)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of Hamsho Trading and therefore ultimately of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council. As such, Al Buroj Trading is associated with a designated entity, Hamsho International.	7.3.2015

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
70.	DK Group (a.k.a. DK Group Sarl; DK Middle-East & Africa Regional Office)	Addresses: DK Middle-East & Africa Regional Office, Peres Lazaristes Center, No. 3, 5th Floor, Emir Bachir Street, Beirut Central District, Bachoura Sector, Beirut, Lebanon. Azarieh Building — Block 03, 5th Floor Azarieh Street — Solidere — Downtown, PO Box 11-503, Beirut, Lebanon	DK Group supplies new banknotes to the Central Bank of Syria. DK Group therefore provides support to the regime. Due to this supply relationship, it is also associated with a designated entity, the Central Bank of Syria.	7.3.2015

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/376
of 6 March 2015
implementing Article 16(2) of Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 concerning restrictive measures in
view of the situation in Libya

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 of 2 March 2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 16(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 2 March 2011, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) No 204/2011.
- (2) Following the judgment of the General Court of 24 September 2014 in Case T-348/13 ⁽²⁾, *Kadhaf Al Dam v Council*, the entry concerning Ahmed Mohammed Qadhaf Al-Dam should be deleted from Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 204/2011. Furthermore, the entry concerning one other person as set out in that Annex should be updated.
- (3) Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 is hereby amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

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, 6 March 2015.

For the Council
The President
K. GERHARDS

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 58, 3.3.2011, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Not yet published in the ECR.

ANNEX

1. The entry set out in Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 concerning the person listed below is replaced by the following entry:

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
'1.	ABDULHAFIZ, Colonel Mas'ud (a.k.a. ABDULHAFID (last name); Massoud (first name))	Position: Armed Forces Commander Date of birth: 1 January 1937 Place of birth: Tripoli, Libya	3 rd in command of Armed Forces. Significant role in Military Intelligence.	28.2.2011'

2. The entry set out in Annex III to Regulation (EU) No 204/2011 concerning the person listed below is deleted:

'8. QADHAF AL-DAM, Ahmed Mohammed.'

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/377**of 2 March 2015**

establishing the models for the documents required for the payment of the annual balance pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down general provisions on the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and on the instrument for financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 laying down general provisions on the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and on the instrument for financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management ⁽¹⁾ and in particular Article 44(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 44(1) of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 requires each Member State to submit the documents required under Article 59(5) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council ⁽²⁾ to serve as the request for payment of the annual balance. For this purpose, it is necessary to establish models according to which documents should be drawn up by the Member States.
- (2) In order to allow for the prompt application of the measures provided for in this Regulation and not delay the preparation of any request for payment by the Member States, this Regulation should enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
- (3) The United Kingdom and Ireland are bound by Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 and are as a consequence bound by this Regulation.
- (4) Without prejudice to recital 47 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014, Denmark is not bound by Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 or by this Regulation.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the 'Asylum, Migration and Integration and Internal Security Funds' Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Models for the request for payment of the annual balance

The models to be used for presenting the request for payment of the annual balance shall be as set out in Annexes I to IV.

Article 2

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 Member States in accordance with the Treaties.

Done at Brussels, 2 March 2015.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 150, 20.5.2014, p. 112.

⁽²⁾ Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2012 on the financial rules applicable to the general budget of the Union and repealing Council Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1605/2002 (OJ L 298, 26.10.2012, p. 1).

ANNEX I

ACCOUNTS

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Title	The national programme of the Fund for [Member State]
Version	<0.3 type='N' input='G'>
First Year	<0.4 type='N' maxlength='4' input='M'>
Last Year	2020
Eligible From	1 January 2014
EC Decision Number	<0.8 type='S' input='G'>>
EC Decision Date	<0.8 type='D' input='G'>> 1
Project and accounts submission date:	<type = date, input M>
Financial Year	<type = year, input G>

SECTION A1: PROJECT INFORMATION (a project may be a single event or over multiple years) (the basic information needs only to be completed once but can be up-dated annually)		
Project reference: [MS/start YEAR/PR/number] (20 characters unique number)	Specific Objective/national objective or specific action: [drop menu]	
Project title: [10 word title/90 characters]		
Project summary: [900 characters]		
Beneficiary name: official [90 characters]	Beneficiary name: short name [20 characters]	Type of beneficiary [drop menu]
Reference to selection procedure: (including the year) [50 characters]		Type of procedure [drop box: Open, restricted negotiated]
% of Fund's co-financing: %	Justification for > 75 % co-financing: [250 characters] e.g specific actions maximum of >= 90 %;	

SECTION A2: SPECIAL CASES							
Pledging (Union Priorities): Project reference: [MS/start YEAR/RP/number] (20 characters)							
Union Priority	Country of asylum:	Country of origin:	Number of adults:	Number of adult females:	Number of unaccompanied minors	Total number	Total number × lump sum
[Drop Box]	[Drop Box]	[Drop Box]	number	number	number	number generated	Euro generated
TOTALS			generated	generated	generated	generated	generated

Pledging (Others) Project reference: [MS/YEAR/RO/number] (20 characters)						
Country of asylum:	Country of origin:	Number of adults	Number of adult females	Number of unaccompanied minors	Total number	Total number × lump sum
[drop box]	[drop box]	number	number	number	number generated	Euro generated
TOTALS		generate	generate	generate	generated	generated

Other Pledges Project reference: [MS/year/ST/number] (20 character)						
MS from which the beneficiaries of international protection have been transferred	Country of origin:	Number of adults	Number of adult females:	Number of unaccompanied minors	Total number	Total number × lump sum
[drop box]	[drop box]	number	number	number	number generated	Euro generated
TOTALS		Generate	generated	generated	generated	generated

SECTION A3: OPERATING SUPPORT PROJECTS				
national Objective:		Project reference: [MS/start Year/O[v/b]/number] (20 character)		
Project name		[90 characters]		
Beneficiary name: official		[90 characters]	Beneficiary name: short name	[20 characters]
		Unit of measure	Number	Annual Union contribution
1.1	Staff costs, including for training	1 FTE		
1.2	Service costs (subcontracts) such as maintenance and repair	Number of contracts		
1.3	Upgrading/replacement of equipment	Number of items		
1.4	Real estate (depreciation or refurbishment)	Number of buildings concerned		
1.5	IT systems (operational management of VIS, SIS and new IT systems, rental and refurbishment of premises, communication infrastructure and security)	/		
1.6	Operations (costs not covered by the previous above categories)	/		
Total:				

Provide a description for each		
1.1	Staff costs, including for training (Indicate the services and tasks concerned and the main locations of assignment)	[1 000 characters]
1.2	Service costs, such as maintenance and repair (Subcontracts) (Detail the 10 biggest contracts, with the indication of the scope and the period concerned)	[1 500 characters]
1.3	Upgrading/replacement of equipment	[500 characters]
1.4	Real estate (depreciation or refurbishment)	[500 characters]
1.5	IT systems (operational management of VIS, SIS and new IT systems, rental and refurbishment of premises, communication infrastructure and security); IT systems (not included in any other category)	[1 000 characters]
1.6	Operations (costs not covered by the previous above categories)	[1 500 characters]

SECTION A4: SPECIAL TRANSIT SCHEME PROJECTS				
Project reference: [LT/start YEAR/TS/number] (20 characters)				
Project name		[90 characters]	Beneficiary name:	
			[90 characters]	
Project summary:			[350 characters]	
		Unit of measure	Number	Annual Union contribution (EUR)
1.1	Investment in infrastructure	Number of buildings concerned		
1.2	Training of staff implementing the Scheme	Number of training		
1.3	Additional operational costs, including salaries of staff specifically implementing the Scheme	1 FTE etc.		
1.4	Visa foregone fees	Number of visa		
Total:				generated

SECTION B: ACCOUNTING DATA
Financial data may be completed at any time to record the events of a single financial year. The financial year consists of 16/10/N-1 to 15/10/N. Once the data has been entered, validated (signed) and sent to the Commission each year (by 15 February or extended to 1 March), the data and the summaries will be fixed and can no longer be changed. The Responsible Authority of the Member States which have not adopted the euro shall keep accounts covering the amounts expressed in the currency in which the expenditure was incurred and the revenue received. However, to enable all their expenditure and revenue to be consolidated, they shall be able to provide the corresponding data in national currency and in euro in accordance with Article 43(2) of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014.

There is a line for each payment made. There should not be more than 13 payments per year per project. If necessary payments may be grouped in monthly batches to limit the total number of payments made in a year.

For pledges, payments should be recorded in monthly batches (i.e. all the payments made during a month are recorded in SFC2014 as a one single payment made at the end of the month).

Recovery orders or financial penalties are to be recorded as negative payments.

Some closure payments may also be made as zero payments.

Project reference:	[MS/...]	MS accounting reference	Is this a final payment?
Union contribution payments in financial year N	EUR	[15 characters]	Y/N
Total Union contribution paid in financial year N.	generated		
For multiannual projects: Cumulated Union contribution paid since the start of the project:			generated
Amount of the cumulative total Union contribution paid to this project for the maintenance of Union or national IT systems: (if applicable).			Amount
This project is in relation to or in third-countries which implement the strategic Union priorities			[Yes/No]
(If appropriate) In the case of final payments: Is the purchase of equipment (total value of > 10 000 EUR each piece) included in this project?			Y/N (If YES go to inventory)
(If appropriate) In the case of final payments: Is the purchase of infrastructure costs (of a total value of > 100 000 EUR) included in this project?			Y/N (If YES go to inventory)
Is a Union contribution recovery planned?	Amount of Union contribution to be recovered:		
Without prejudice to any other enforcement action provided for by national law, the Responsible Authority or the Delegated Authority shall off-set any outstanding debt of a beneficiary established in accordance with national law against any future payments to be made by the Responsible Authority or Delegated Authority for the recovery of the debt to that beneficiary			
Y/N	EUR		
Operational/financial on-the-spot control for this project:	Y/N (if YES link to Section C)		
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE			
For TA, payments should be recorded in batches (e.g all the payments made during a month are recorded in SFC2014 as a single payment made at the end of the month or all the payments made in a set number of cost categories over the year).			
Reference for Technical assistance:	[MS/YEAR/TA-AMIF/TA-ISF-B/TA-ISF-P]	MS accounting reference	[15 characters]
TA Union contribution paid in financial year N		Euro	
TA Total Union contribution paid in financial year N		[generated]	

INVENTORY (if appropriate)					
for equipment with a total value of > 10 000 EUR and infrastructure costs > 100 000 EUR					
FUND	Project reference	Total value of the item (in Euro)	Serial number (for equipment)	Location/Address where the equipment/infrastructure can be found	Date of purchase/completion
ISF B/P	[MS/...]	Euro	[35 characters]	[200 characters]	date
Description of equipment/describe infrastructure costs			[350 characters]		

SECTION C — ON THE SPOT CONTROLS				
(completed by the RA)				
Project reference:	Type of on the spot control	Dates of on the spot control:		Date of final report:
		from	to	
[MS/...]	[drop box: operational — financial]	[Date]	[date]	[date]
A: Total Union contribution controlled:		B: Amount of error detected in Union contribution:		% of error detected
[Euro]		[Euro]		% (generated: B/A)
Case reported Irregularity Management System?				Yes/No
Comments (optional) e.g. types of irregularities and corrective measures				
[2 500 characters]				

SECTION D: DATA SUMMARY		
Table FUND Financial Year N		
Specific objectives	Total Union contribution paid in financial year N	%
1.1: National Objective ...	[generated]	[generated]/Sp Ob
1.2: National Objective ...	[generated]	[generated] Sp Ob
n.n: National Objective	[generated]	[generated]/Sp Ob
Subtotal of National Objectives	Total generated	[generated]/Total Sp Ob
SA1: Specific Action	[generated]	[generated]
SAn. Specific Actions	[generated]	[generated]
Total SO1: ...	Total generated	[Sp Ob/TOTAL]
2.1:	[generated]	[generated]/Sp Ob
Subtotal of National Objectives	Total generated	[generated]
Total SOn:	Total generated	[generated]

SECTION D: DATA SUMMARY		
Table FUND Financial Year N		
Specific objectives	Total Union contribution paid in financial year N	%
Pledges	[generated]	[generated]
Other pledges	[generated]	[generated]
Support	[generated]	[generated]
Schemes	[generated]	[generated]
Total Special cases	Total generated	[generated]
Technical assistance	Total generated	[generated]
Total Union contribution paid in year N for the national programme (EUR)	Total generated	
% of specific objective allocation		[generated]
% of specific objective n/basic allocation		[generated]

ACCOUNT DECLARATION OF PAYMENTS MADE (UNION CONTRIBUTION ONLY) FOR [MEMBER STATE] IN FINANCIAL YEAR N FOR THE NATIONAL PROGRAMME			
Project reference number	Total Union contribution paid in financial year N (in EUR)	Is there a final payment in financial year N? Y/N	If this project was not accepted in any previous annual account submissions
[generated]	[generated]	[generated]	[generate years]
[generated]	[generated]	[generated]	[generate years]
[generated]	[generated]	[generated]	[generate years]
[generated]	[generated]	[generated]	[generate years]
[generated]	[generated]	[generated]	[generate years]
Sum of total Union contribution paid in year N (EUR) on projects		[Total generated]	
Total Union contribution paid in year N on TA (EUR)		[generated]	
A: Total Union contribution paid in year N for the national programme (EUR)		[Total generated][a]	
B: If applicable — Member State financial corrections		[+/- manual][b]	
C: Payment requested		[generated]	

Member State financial corrections description

[2 000 characters]

ANNEX II

MANAGEMENT DECLARATION

Based on my own judgment and on all information available to me, including the results from all controls performed by or under the responsibility of the Responsible Authority (administrative, financial and operational on-the spot controls) in relation to the Union expenditure of the financial year [yyyy] and taking into account my obligations under Regulation (EU) No 514/2014, I declare that:

- the information in the accounts is properly presented, complete and accurate;
- the Union expenditure was used for its intended purpose in line with the national programme and in accordance with the principle of sound financial management;
- the management and control system put in place for the national programme has functioned effectively during the financial year in reference and has given the necessary guarantees concerning the legality and regularity of the underlying transactions, in conformity with the applicable law.

I confirm that any irregularity identified in final audit or control reports in reference to the financial year has been appropriately treated and that, where necessary, adequate follow-up was given to those reports.

The assurance is, however, subject to the following reservations: (up to 5 reservations may be added).

1	[500 characters]
2	[500 characters]
3	[500 characters]
4	[500 characters]
5	[500 characters]

Furthermore, I confirm that I am not aware of any undisclosed matter which could be damaging to the financial interest of the Union.

Name of Official: [50 characters]

Title, Organisation: [90 characters]

Submission date: [date]

(Signature = validation and date of submission to the Commission)

One document may be attached to describe the remedial action plan and timetable for any reservations made.

ANNEX III

ANNUAL SUMMARY OF FINAL AUDIT REPORTS AND of CONTROLS CARRIED OUT

A. FINAL AUDIT REPORT SUMMARIES

Auditing body:	Drop box: AA, COM, ECOA, MSCOA, other		Year of audit	[year]
Audit reference	[25 characters]	Type of audit	[drop menu: System: financial, re-performance or other]	
Scope of audit	[90 characters]			
Overall summary of very important and critical findings, together with recommendations to the Responsible Authority.	[900 characters]			
Overall audit conclusion, including identification of problems with a systemic character	[500 characters]			
Estimated financial and operational impact of the weaknesses identified	[500 characters]			
Corrective measures for the functioning of the system (action plan)	[900 characters]			
State of implementation of corrective measures (including outstanding issues from audits previously submitted)	Drop box: planned, in progress, implemented in full			
If applicable amount of financial correction made or planned	Amount Euro			

B: SUMMARY OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROLS CARRIED OUT DURING FINANCIAL YEAR N

Provide:

- A summary of the control strategy adopted e.g. by type of Union expenditure, type of mode (executing and awarding mode);
- A description of the main results and of the type of errors detected;
- Conclusions drawn from these controls and, consequently, the corrective measures adopted or planned regarding the functioning of the system.

[2 500 characters]

C: SUMMARY OF THE ON-THE-SPOT CONTROLS CARRIED OUT DURING FINANCIAL YEAR N

Provide:

- A summary of the control strategy adopted e.g. by type of Union expenditure, type of mode (executing and awarding mode);
- A description of the main results and of the type of errors detected; and

- Conclusions drawn from these controls and, consequently, the corrective measures adopted or planned regarding the functioning of the system.

[2 500 characters]

List of financial on-the-spot controls carried out in financial year N					
Financial year	Project reference	Total Union contribution controlled (EUR)	Total Union contribution affected by error (%)	Union contribution recovered	Union contribution to be recovered (EUR)
generated	generated	generated	generated	Manual	Manual
generated	generated	generated	generated	Manual	Manual
Total		Total generated	Total generated	Total generated	Total generated

Summary of operational on-the-spot controls carried out in financial year N				
Total number of on-the-spot Operational controls in financial year (a)	Number of projects not finalised at the start of the financial year (b)	Number of projects started in the financial year (c)	Total number of projects being implemented during the financial year (d = b + c)	% of operational on the spot controls (a/d)
generated	generated	generated	generated	generated

Overall summary of financial on-the-spot controls					
Financial Year	Total Union contributions controlled by financial controls (a)	Total Amount of error detected in Union contribution (b)	% of error detected (c = b/a)	Cumulated Union contribution declared for the projects finalised (d)	% of financial on-the-spot controls carried out (e = a/d)
2014	generated	generated	generated	Generated	generate
2015	generated	generated	generated	Generated	generate
Total	Total generated	Total generated	Total generated	Total generated	Total generated

ANNEX IV

OPINIONS OF THE AUDIT AUTHORITY

Please provide a brief description of the Audit Strategy, including the sampling methodology which enables the Audit Authority to draw valid conclusions on the whole population

[2 500 characters]

A: AUDIT OPINION ON THE ANNUAL ACCOUNTS

To the European Commission, Directorate-General for Home Affairs

I, the undersigned, representing the [name of the authority], Audit Authority for the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund/Internal Security Fund in [Member State] have examined the functioning of the management and control systems of the [AMIF/ISF] as well as the documents and information drawn-up by the Responsible Authority under Article 44 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 and Article 59(5) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012 that serve as the request for payment of the annual balance for the financial year N in order to issue an audit opinion in accordance with Article 29 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 and Article 59(5) of Regulation (EU, Euratom) No 966/2012. I have reached the following conclusions here-below.

A: OPINION: UNQUALIFIED, QUALIFIED OR ADVERSE
(select 1 opinion)

Unqualified opinion on the validation of the accounts

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that the accounts for financial year N give a true and fair view and the Union expenditure for which reimbursement has been requested from the Commission is legal and regular.

Qualified opinion on the validation of the accounts

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that the accounts for financial year N give a true and fair view and the Union expenditure for which reimbursement has been requested from the Commission is legal and regular, except with regard to the following points:

A	[500 characters]
B	[500 characters]
C	[500 characters]
D	[500 characters]
E	[500 characters]

Therefore I estimate the impact of the qualification(s) is [limited]/[significant]. This impact corresponds to [amount in EUR] and [%] of the total Union contribution declared.

Adverse opinion on the validation of the accounts

Based on the examination referred to above, it is my opinion that the accounts for financial year N do not give a true and fair view and the Union expenditure for which reimbursement has been requested from the Commission is not legal and regular.

This adverse opinion is based on:

[900 characters]

B. OPINION ON THE FUNCTIONING OF THE MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL SYSTEMS

Scope of the examination

The examination in respect of this programme was carried out in accordance with my audit strategy in respect of this national programme and taking into account internationally accepted auditing standards, with reference to the financial year N, and reported in the audit report [include reference — do not attach].

B: OPINION: UNQUALIFIED, QUALIFIED OR ADVERSE (select 1 opinion)

Unqualified opinion

Based on the examination referred to above and with regard to the programme, I have reasonable assurance that the management and control systems put in place function properly.

Qualified opinion

Based on the examination referred to above and with regard to the programme, I have reasonable assurance that the management and control systems put in place function properly except in the following respect(s):

A	[500 characters]
B	[500 characters]
C	[500 characters]
D	[500 characters]
E	[500 characters]

In case the management and control systems are affected, indicate the body or bodies and the aspect(s) of their systems that did not comply with requirements and did not operate effectively.

My reasons for considering that this (these) aspect(s) of the systems did not comply with the requirements or did not operate effectively are as follows:

A	[500 characters]
B	[500 characters]
C	[500 characters]
D	[500 characters]
E	[500 characters]

Therefore I estimate the impact of the qualification(s) is [limited]/[significant]. This impact corresponds to [amount in EUR] and [%] of the total Union expenditure declared.

Adverse opinion

Based on the examination referred to above and with regard to the programme, I do not have reasonable assurance that the management and control systems put in place comply with the requirements of Articles 21, 24 and 27 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 and function properly.

This adverse opinion is based on:

[900 characters]

My reasons for considering that this (these) aspect(s) of the systems did not comply with the requirements or did not operate effectively are as follows:

[900 characters]

Therefore I estimate the impact of the qualification(s) is [limited]/[significant]. This impact corresponds to [amount in EUR] and [%] of the total Union contribution declared.

The Audit Authority may also include emphasis of subject matter, not affecting their opinion, as established by internationally accepted auditing standards. A disclaimer of opinion can be foreseen in exceptional cases. These exceptional cases should be related to unforeseeable, external factors outside the remit of the Audit Authority.

[500 characters]

C. VALIDATION OF THE MANAGEMENT DECLARATION OF THE RESPONSIBLE AUTHORITY

As an overall opinion, based on the examinations referred to above points A and B it is my opinion that the audit work carried out: [select one]

Does not put in doubt the assertions made in the management declaration.

OR

Puts in doubt the assertions made in the management declaration for the following aspects:

A	[500 characters]
B	[500 characters]
C	[500 characters]
D	[500 characters]
E	[500 characters]

Date of validation

[date]

Full name and authority

(By validating and sending this it is deemed signed.)

[90 characters]

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/378**of 2 March 2015****laying down rules for the application of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council with regard to the implementation of the annual clearance of accounts procedure and the implementation of the conformity clearance**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 16 April 2014 laying down general provisions on the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and on the instrument for financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Articles 45(2) and 47(6) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The Commission should decide on the clearance of the annual accounts for each national programme and on the conformity clearance. Therefore arrangements for the implementation of those tasks should be laid down including on the exchanges of information between the Commission and the Member States and the deadlines to be respected in each case.
- (2) The United Kingdom and Ireland are bound by Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 and are as a consequence bound by this Regulation.
- (3) Without prejudice to recital 47 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014, Denmark is not bound by Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 or by this Regulation.
- (4) In order to allow for the prompt application of the measures provided for in this Regulation and not delay the preparation of any request for payment by the Member States, this Regulation should enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.
- (5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the 'Asylum, Migration and Integration and Internal Security Funds' Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1***Annual clearance of accounts**

1. The Commission shall assess the eligibility of each project reported in the request for the payment of the annual balance referred to in Article 1 of Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/377 ⁽²⁾ in relation to the objectives of the Specific Regulations defined in Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 and those of the national programme approved in accordance with Article 14 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014.

When deciding on the payment of the annual balance, the Commission shall also take into consideration the information provided in:

- (a) the annual implementation report referred to in Article 54 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014;
- (b) the request for payment of the annual balance in Article 1 of Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/377.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 150, 20.5.2014, p. 112.

⁽²⁾ Commission Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/377 of 2 March 2015 establishing the models for the documents required for the payment of the annual balance pursuant to Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 of the European Parliament and of the Council laying down general provisions on the Asylum, Migration and Integration Fund and on the instrument for financial support for police cooperation, preventing and combating crime, and crisis management (see page 17 of this Official Journal).

2. The Commission shall clear all amounts declared in the accounts where there is no doubt on the completeness, accuracy and veracity in the accounts submitted
3. The Commission may require further information because of incomplete or unclear information provided, disagreements, differences of interpretation or any other inconsistency relating to a request for payment.
4. The Member State concerned shall, upon request by the Commission, provide additional information by the deadline set in that request. In justified cases, on request by the Member State before the expiry of the deadline, the Commission may accept a request for late submission of information and set a new deadline.

Where the Member State concerned fails to provide the additional information by the deadline or if the response is unsatisfactory the Commission may proceed with the clearance decision on the basis of the information in its possession.

5. The Commission shall inform the Member State of its decision on the payment of the annual balance, including the reasons for any accounts or amounts in the accounts not paid.

Where accounts or amounts in the accounts are not paid by the Commission, the Member State may submit additional information for the accounts or amounts to be reconsidered in subsequent financial years.

6. Where the payment made by the Commission is lower than the annual pre-financing amount paid to the Member State in accordance with Article 35(2) of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014, the annual pre-financing shall be cleared to the extent of the corresponding amount. Any outstanding pre-financing amount shall only be recovered during the following annual clearance exercises.

7. Only if the Member State does not submit a request for payment of the annual balance according to Article 44 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014, the outstanding annual pre-financing payment shall be recovered within the same clearance exercise.

8. Paragraphs 1 to 5 of this Article shall apply, *mutatis mutandis*, to amounts recovered.

Article 2

Conformity clearance and financial corrections by the Commission

1. When the Commission considers that expenditure was not in compliance with Union and national rules, it shall notify its findings to the Member State concerned, specifying the corrective measures needed in order to ensure future compliance, and indicating the level of financial correction it considers to correspond to its findings.

That notification shall be made in accordance with Article 47(5) of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 and make a reference to this Article.

2. The Member State shall reply within two months of receipt of the notification. In its reply the Member State shall have the opportunity, in particular, to:

- (a) demonstrate to the Commission that the project(s) is(are) eligible;
- (b) demonstrate to the Commission that the extent of the non-compliance or the risk for the Union contribution to the national programme is less than what was indicated by the Commission;
- (c) inform the Commission of the corrective measures it has undertaken to ensure compliance with Union and national rules and the effective date of their implementation; and
- (d) inform the Commission whether a bilateral meeting would be considered useful.

In justified cases, the Commission may, upon reasoned request of the Member State, authorise an extension of the two month-period by a maximum of two months. The request shall be addressed to the Commission before the expiry of the initial two months.

3. The Commission shall formally communicate its findings to the Member State on the basis of the information received in the framework of the conformity clearance procedure.

4. After having communicated its findings to the Member State, the Commission shall adopt, where appropriate, one or more decisions under Article 47 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 in order to exclude from Union financing any expenditure affected by the non-compliance with Union rules.

The Commission may pursue consecutive conformity clearance procedures until the Member State has implemented the corrective measures.

Article 3

Decision not to start or pursue a conformity clearance procedure

The Commission may decide not to start or pursue a conformity clearance procedure in accordance with Article 47 of Regulation (EU) No 514/2014 where it expects that the possible financial correction, for the non-compliance identified, would not exceed EUR 50 000 and 2 % of the specific expenditure deemed non-complaint.

Article 4

Entry into force

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 the Member States in accordance with the Treaties.

Done at Brussels, 2 March 2015.

For the Commission
The President
Jean-Claude JUNCKER

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/379**of 6 March 2015****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 Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ⁽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 multilateral 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, 6 March 2015.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Jerzy PLEWA
Director-General for Agriculture and Rural Development*

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽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	EG	180,5
	MA	81,3
	TR	97,7
	ZZ	119,8
0707 00 05	JO	253,9
	TR	189,0
	ZZ	221,5
0709 93 10	MA	105,2
	TR	186,6
	ZZ	145,9
0805 10 20	EG	47,9
	IL	70,6
	MA	63,2
	TN	60,7
	TR	71,2
	ZZ	62,7
	ZZ	61,7
0805 50 10	TR	61,7
	ZZ	61,7
0808 10 80	BR	68,7
	CA	85,3
	CL	94,7
	MK	24,7
	US	215,6
	ZZ	97,8
	ZZ	97,8
0808 30 90	AR	119,3
	CL	106,5
	CN	90,8
	ZA	109,5
	ZZ	106,5
	ZZ	106,5

⁽¹⁾ Nomenclature of countries laid down by Commission Regulation (EU) No 1106/2012 of 27 November 2012 implementing Regulation (EC) No 471/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council on Community statistics relating to external trade with non-member countries, as regards the update of the nomenclature of countries and territories (OJ L 328, 28.11.2012, p. 7). Code 'ZZ' stands for 'of other origin'.

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2015/380**of 6 March 2015****fixing the allocation coefficient to be applied to applications for import licences for olive oil lodged from 2 to 3 March 2015 under the Tunisian tariff quota and suspending the issue of import licences for the month of March 2015**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Regulation (EU) No 1308/2013 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 17 December 2013 establishing a common organisation of the markets in agricultural products and repealing Council Regulations (EEC) No 922/72, (EEC) No 234/79, (EC) No 1037/2001 and (EC) No 1234/2007 ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 188 thereof,

Having regard to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1301/2006 of 31 August 2006 laying down common rules for the administration of import tariff quotas for agricultural products managed by a system of import licences ⁽²⁾, and in particular Article 7(2) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Article 3(1) and (2) of Protocol No 1 ⁽³⁾ to the Euro-Mediterranean Agreement establishing an association between the European Communities and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Tunisia, of the other part ⁽⁴⁾, opens a tariff quota at a zero rate of duty for imports of untreated olive oil falling within CN codes 1509 10 10 and 1509 10 90, wholly obtained in Tunisia and transported direct from that country to the European Union, up to the limit laid down for each year.
- (2) Article 2(2) of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 of 20 December 2006 opening and providing for the administration of tariff quota for olive oil originating in Tunisia ⁽⁵⁾ lays down monthly quantitative limits for the issue of import licences.
- (3) Import licence applications have been submitted to the competent authorities under Article 3(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 in respect of a total quantity exceeding the limit laid down for the month of March in Article 2(2) of that Regulation.
- (4) In these circumstances, the Commission must set an allocation coefficient allowing import licences to be issued in proportion to the quantity available.
- (5) Since the limit for the month of March has been reached, no more import licences can be issued for that month,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

The quantities for which import licence applications were lodged for 2 and 3 March 2015 under Article 3(1) of Regulation (EC) No 1918/2006 shall be multiplied by an allocation coefficient of 5,451531 %.

The issue of import licences in respect of amounts applied for as from 4 March 2015 shall be suspended for March 2015.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 347, 20.12.2013, p. 671.

⁽²⁾ OJ L 238, 1.9.2006, p. 13.

⁽³⁾ OJ L 97, 30.3.1998, p. 57.

⁽⁴⁾ OJ L 97, 30.3.1998, p. 2.

⁽⁵⁾ OJ L 365, 21.12.2006, p. 84.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on 7 March 2015.

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

Done at Brussels, 6 March 2015.

*For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Jerzy PLEWA
Director-General for Agriculture and Rural Development*

DECISIONS

POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE DECISION (CFSP) 2015/381

of 17 February 2015

on the appointment of the Head of Mission of the European Union Police Mission for the Palestinian Territories (EUPOL COPPS) (EUPOL COPPS/1/2015)

THE POLITICAL AND SECURITY COMMITTEE,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular the third paragraph of Article 38 thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2013/354/CFSP of 3 July 2013 on the European Union Police Mission for the Palestinian Territories, EUPOL COPPS ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 9(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Pursuant to Council Decision 2013/354/CFSP, the Political and Security Committee is authorised, in accordance with Article 38 of the Treaty, to take the relevant decisions for the purpose of exercising political control and strategic direction of the European Union Police Mission for the Palestinian Territories (EUPOL COPPS), including the decision to appoint a Head of Mission.
- (2) On 5 February 2015, the High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy proposed the appointment of Mr Rodolphe MAUGET as Head of Mission of EUPOL COPPS from 16 February 2015 to 30 June 2015.
- (3) Council Decision 2014/447/CFSP ⁽²⁾ extended the duration of EUPOL COPPS until 30 June 2015,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Mr Rodolphe MAUGET is hereby appointed as Head of Mission of EUPOL COPPS for the period from 16 February 2015 to 30 June 2015.

Article 2

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

It shall apply from 16 February 2015.

Done at Brussels, 17 February 2015.

For the Political and Security Committee

The Chairperson

W. STEVENS

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 185, 4.7.2013, p. 12.

⁽²⁾ Council Decision 2014/447/CFSP of 9 July 2014 amending Council Decision 2013/354/CFSP on the European Union Police Mission for the Palestinian Territories (EUPOL COPPS) (OJ L 201, 10.7.2014, p. 28).

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2015/382**of 6 March 2015****amending Decision 2011/137/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 29 thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 28 February 2011, the Council adopted Decision 2011/137/CFSP ⁽¹⁾.
- (2) On 20 October 2014, the Council expressed its concern on the situation in Libya and stated that it stood ready to implement United Nations Security Council Resolution ('UNSCR') 2174 (2014) of 27 August 2014, in order to address threats to Libya's peace and stability. The Council concluded that those responsible for violence and those who obstruct or undermine Libya's democracy must be held accountable.
- (3) UNSCR 2174 (2014) inter alia extends the application of the travel ban and asset freeze measures as set out in paragraph 22 of UNSCR 1970 (2011) and paragraph 23 of UNSCR 1973 (2011) to include persons and entities that provide support for acts that threaten the peace, stability or security of Libya, or obstruct or undermine the successful completion of its political transition. By Council Decision 2014/727/CFSP ⁽²⁾ Annexes I and III to Decision 2011/137/CFSP have been amended accordingly.
- (4) The criteria for the application of the travel ban and asset freeze measures as set out in UNSCR 2174 (2014) should also extend to persons and entities not covered by Annexes I or III to Decision 2011/137/CFSP.
- (5) Following the judgment of the General Court of 24 September 2014 in Case T-348/13 ⁽³⁾, *Kadhaf Al Dam v Council*, the entry concerning Ahmed Mohammed Qadhaf Al-Dam should be deleted from Annexes II and IV to Decision 2011/137/CFSP. In addition, the entry concerning one other person should be deleted from Annex II to Decision 2011/137/CFSP. Furthermore, the entry concerning one other person as set out in Annexes II and IV to Decision 2011/137/CFSP should be updated.
- (6) Decision 2011/137/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

Decision 2011/137/CFSP is hereby amended as follows:

- (1) in Article 5(1), the following point is added:

- '(c) persons not covered by Annex I to this Decision engaged in or providing support for acts that threaten the peace, stability or security of Libya, or obstruct or undermine the successful completion of its political transition, including by:
- (i) planning, directing, or committing acts that violate applicable international human rights law or international humanitarian law, or acts that constitute human rights abuses, in Libya;
 - (ii) attacks against any air, land, or sea port in Libya, or against a Libyan State institution or installation, or against any foreign mission in Libya;

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision 2011/137/CFSP of 28 February 2011 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya (OJ L 58, 3.3.2011, p. 53).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision 2014/727/CFSP of 20 October 2014 amending Decision 2011/137/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya (OJ L 301, 21.10.2014, p. 30).

⁽³⁾ Not yet published in the ECR.

- (iii) providing support for armed groups or criminal networks through the illicit exploitation of crude oil or any other natural resources in Libya;
 - (iv) acting for or on behalf of or at the direction of listed persons or entities, as listed in Annex II to this Decision.’;
- (2) in Article 6(1), the following point is added:
- ‘(c) persons and entities not covered by Annex III to this Decision engaged in or providing support for acts that threaten the peace, stability or security of Libya, or obstruct or undermine the successful completion of its political transition, including by:
 - (i) planning, directing, or committing acts that violate applicable international human rights law or international humanitarian law, or acts that constitute human rights abuses, in Libya;
 - (ii) attacks against any air, land, or sea port in Libya, or against a Libyan State institution or installation, or against any foreign mission in Libya;
 - (iii) providing support for armed groups or criminal networks through the illicit exploitation of crude oil or any other natural resources in Libya;
 - (iv) acting for or on behalf of or at the direction of listed persons or entities, as listed in Annex IV to this Decision.’.

Article 2

Annexes II and IV to Decision 2011/137/CFSP are hereby amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 3

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, 6 March 2015.

For the Council
The President
K. GERHARDS

ANNEX

1. The entries set out in Annex II to Decision 2011/137/CFSP concerning the persons listed below are deleted:

‘6. QADHAF AL-DAM, Ahmed Mohammed’

‘19. ZIDANE, Mohamad Ali.’

2. The entry set out in Annex IV to Decision 2011/137/CFSP concerning the person listed below is deleted:

‘8. QADHAF AL-DAM, Ahmed Mohammed.’

3. The entry set out in Annexes II and IV to Decision 2011/137/CFSP concerning the person listed below is replaced by the following entry:

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
‘1.	ABDULHAFIZ, Colonel Mas’ud (a.k.a. ABDULHAFID (last name); Massoud (first name))	Position: Armed Forces Commander Date of birth: 1 January 1937 Place of birth: Tripoli, Libya	3 rd in command of Armed Forces. Significant role in Military Intelligence.	28.2.2011’

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION (CFSP) 2015/383
of 6 March 2015
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 Syria ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 30(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) On 31 May 2013, the Council adopted Decision 2013/255/CFSP.
- (2) In view of the gravity of the situation, seven persons and six entities should be added to the list of natural and legal persons, entities or bodies subject to restrictive measures in Annex I to Decision 2013/255/CFSP.
- (3) Decision 2013/255/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

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

Article 2

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

Done at Brussels, 6 March 2015.

For the Council
The President
K. GERHARDS

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 147, 1.6.2013, p. 14.

ANNEX

The following persons and entities are added to the list of natural and legal persons, entities or bodies set out in Sections A and B of Annex I to Decision 2013/255/CFSP:

A. Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
199.	Bayan Bitar (a.k.a. Dr Bayan Al-Bitar)	Address: PO Box 11037 Damascus, Syria	Managing Director of the Organisation for Technological Industries (OTI), and the Syrian Company for Information Technology (SCIT), which are both subsidiaries of the Syrian Ministry of Defence, which has been designated by the Council. OTI assists in the production of chemical weapons for the Syrian regime. As Managing Director of OTI and the SCIT Bayan Bitar provides support to the Syrian regime. Due to his role in the production of chemical weapons, he also shares responsibility for the violent repression against the Syrian population. In view of his senior position in these entities, he is also associated with the designated entities OTI and SCIT.	7.3.2015
200.	Brigadier General Ghassan Abbas	Address: CERS, Centre d'Etude et de Recherche Scientifique; (a.k.a. SSRC, Scientific Studies and Research Centre; Centre de Recherche de Kaboun Barzeh Street, PO Box 4470, Damascus)	Manager of the branch of the designated Syrian Scientific Studies and Research Centre (SSRC/CERS) near Jumraya/Jmraiya. He has been involved in the proliferation of chemical weapons and the organisation of chemical weapons attacks, including in Ghouta in August 2013. He therefore shares responsibility for the violent repression against the Syrian population. As manager of the SSRC/CERS branch near Jumraya/Jmraiya, Ghassan Abbas provides support to the Syrian regime. As a result of his senior position in the SSRC, he is also associated with the designated entity SSRC.	7.3.2015
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 Morgan Additives Office No 2206, 22nd Floor, Jafza View 19, Besides Jafza View 18, Sheikh Zayed Road, Jebel Ali Free Zone Authority, Dubai, UAE	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. Morgan Additives Office No 2206, 22nd Floor, Jafza View 19, Besides Jafza View 18, Sheikh Zayed Road, Jebel Ali Free Zone Authority, Dubai, UAE	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
203.	George Haswani (a.k.a. Heswani; Hasawani; Al Hasawani)	Address: Damascus Province, Yabroud, Al Jalaa St, Syria	Prominent Syrian businessman, co-owner of HESCO Engineering and Construction Company, a major engineering and construction company in Syria. He has close ties to the Syrian regime. George Haswani provides support and benefits from the regime through his role as a middleman in deals for the purchase of oil from ISIL by the Syrian regime. He also benefits from the regime through favourable treatment including the award of a contract (as a sub-contractor) with Stroytransgaz, a major Russian oil company.	7.3.2015
204.	Emad Hamsho (a.k.a. Imad Hmisho; Hamchu; Hamcho; Hamisho; Hmeisho; Hemasho)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria	Occupies a senior management position in Hamsho Trading. As a result of his senior position in Hamsho Trading, a subsidiary of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council, he provides support to the Syrian regime. He is also associated with a designated entity, Hamsho International. Emad Hamsho funds Shabiha militias who in turn collect steel from the areas destroyed by the Syrian regime armed forces and militias and melt it down in local Syria Steel (Hmisho Steel) factories. He is also vice-president of the Syrian Council of Iron and Steel alongside designated regime businessmen such as Ayman Jaber. He is also an associate of Bashar Al-Assad.	7.3.2015
205.	Samir Hamsho (a.k.a. Samer; Sameer; Hmisho; Hamchu; Hamcho; Hamisho; Hmeisho; Hemasho)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street 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.	7.3.2015

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
			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.	

B. Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
65.	Organisation for Technological Industries (a.k.a. Technical Industries Corporation (TIC))	Address: PO Box 11037 Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of the Syrian Ministry of Defence, which has been designated by the Council. OTI is involved in the production of chemical weapons for the Syrian regime. It is therefore responsible for the violent repression against the Syrian population. As a subsidiary of the Ministry of Defence, it is also associated with a designated entity.	7.3.2015
66.	Syrian Company for Information Technology (SCIT)	Address: PO Box 11037 Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of the Organisation for Technological Industries (OTI) and therefore the Syrian Ministry of Defence, which have been designated by the Council. It also works with the Central Bank of Syria which has been designated by the Council. As a subsidiary of OTI and the Ministry of Defence, SCIT is associated with these designated entities.	7.3.2015
67.	Hamsho Trading (a.k.a. Hamsho Group; Hmisho Trading Group; Hmisho Economic Group)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council. As such, Hamsho Trading is associated with a designated entity, Hamsho International. Supports the Syrian regime through its subsidiaries, including Syria Steel. Through its subsidiaries it is associated with groups such as the pro-regime Shabiha militias.	7.3.2015
68.	Syria Steel SA (a.k.a. Syria Steel Co; Syria Steel Rolling Mill; Hmisho Steel)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of Hamsho Trading and therefore ultimately a subsidiary of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council. As such, Syria Steel SA is associated with a designated entity. Syria Steel also supports the Syrian regime through its work with Shabiha militias and producing armaments.	7.3.2015
69.	Al Buroj Trading (a.k.a. Borouj Trading Company)	Hamsho Building 31 Baghdad Street Damascus, Syria	Subsidiary of Hamsho Trading and therefore ultimately of Hamsho International, which has been designated by the Council. As such, Al Buroj Trading is associated with a designated entity, Hamsho International.	7.3.2015

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
70.	DK Group (a.k.a. DK Group SARL DK Middle East & Africa Regional Office)	Addresses: DK Middle East & Africa Regional Office, Peres Lazaristes Centre, No 3, 5th Floor, Emir Bachir Street, Beirut Central District, Bachoura Sector, Beirut, Lebanon. Azarieh Building — Block 03, 5th Floor Azarieh Street — Solidere — Downtown, PO Box 11-503, Beirut, Lebanon	DK Group supplies new banknotes to the Central Bank of Syria. DK Group therefore provides support to the regime. Due to this supply relationship, it is also associated with a designated entity, the Central Bank of Syria.	7.3.2015

CORRIGENDA**Corrigendum to Commission Regulation (EU) No 668/2013 of 12 July 2013 amending Annexes II and III to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council as regards maximum residue levels for 2,4-DB, dimethomorph, indoxacarb, and pyraclostrobin in or on certain products**

(Official Journal of the European Union L 192 of 13 July 2013)

On page 49, Annex, point 1(a), amended Annex II to Regulation (EC) No 396/2005, Table 'Pesticide residues and maximum residue levels (mg/kg)', entry 0400000, '4. OILSEEDS AND OILFRUITS', column 3 '2,4-DB (sum of 2,4-DB, its salts, its esters and its conjugates, expressed as 2,4-DB) (R)':

for: '0,02 (*)';

read: '0,05 (*)'.

