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(Non-legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2020/288

of 28 February 2020

amending for the 311th time Council Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities associated with the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida organisations

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 of 27 May 2002 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities associated with the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida organisations (¹), and in particular Article 7(1)(a) and Article 7a(1) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 lists the persons, groups and entities covered by the freezing of funds and economic resources under that Regulation.
- (2) On 23 February 2020, the Sanctions Committee of the United Nations Security Council decided to add two entries to the list of persons, groups and entities to whom the freezing of funds and economic resources should apply.
- (3) Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (4) In order to ensure that the measures provided for in this Regulation are effective it should enter into force immediately,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 is amended in accordance with 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, 28 February 2020.

For the Commission,
On behalf of the President,
Acting Director-General
Directorate-General for Financial Stability, Financial
Services and Capital Markets Union

ANNEX

In Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 the following entries are added under the heading 'Legal persons, groups and entities':

- 1. 'Islamic State West Africa Province (ISWAP) (alias: (a) Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant West Africa (ISIL-WA); (b) Islamic State of Iraq and Syria West Africa (ISIS-WA); (c) Islamic State of Iraq and Syria West Africa Province (ISISWAP); (d) Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant West Africa). Other information: Associated with the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (listed as Al-Qaida in Iraq). Formed in March 2015 by Abubakar Shekau. Splinter group of Jama'atu Ahlis Sunna Lidda'Awati Wal-Jihad (Boko Haram). Committed terrorist attacks in Nigeria. Date of designation referred to in Article 7e(e): 23.02.2020.'
- 2. 'Islamic State in the Greater Sahara (ISGS) (*alias*: (a) Islamic State in Iraq and Syria Greater Sahara (ISIS-GS); (b) Islamic State of Iraq and Syria Greater Sahara (ISIS-GS); (c) Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant Greater Sahara (ISIL-GS); (d) Islamic State of the Greater Sahel; (e) ISIS in the Greater Sahel; (f) ISIS in the Greater Sahara; (g) ISIS in the Islamic Sahel). Other information: Formed in May 2015 by Adnan Abu Walid al-Sahraoui. Associated with the Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (listed as Al-Qaida in Iraq). Splinter group of Al-Mourabitoun. Committed terrorist attacks in Mali, Niger and Burkina Faso. Date of designation referred to in Article 7e(e): 23.02.2020.'