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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**2024 No. 677**

**The Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit)  
(Amendment) Regulations 2024**

**Amendment of the Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019**

2.—(1) The Syria (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019<sup>(1)</sup> are amended as follows.

(2) In regulation 57 (exceptions relating to petroleum products)—

(a) in paragraphs (1) and (2)—

(i) for “purchasing”, in both places it occurs, substitute “acquiring”;

(ii) for “purchase”, in both places it occurs, substitute “acquisition”;

(iii) for “purchased”, in both places it occurs, substitute “acquired”;

(b) in paragraph (2), for “by a UK funded person” substitute “by a relevant person”;

(c) after paragraph (2) insert—

“(2A) A relevant prohibition is not contravened where a person provides financial services, funds or economic resources to a relevant person in relation to the making available of funds or economic resources by that relevant person in accordance with paragraph (2).”;

(d) in paragraph (3)—

(i) for “and (2)” substitute “, (2) and (2A)”;

(ii) in sub-paragraph (b), for “purchase” substitute “acquisition”;

(e) for paragraph (5) substitute—

“(5) If a relevant person (“P”) makes funds or economic resources available in accordance with paragraph (2), P must notify the Treasury that P is involved in the provision of humanitarian assistance activity in Syria by no later than the end of the calendar year in which the funds or economic resources are made available.

(5A) The notification requirement in paragraph (5) does not apply to—

(a) persons described in sub-paragraphs (b) or (f) of the definition of “relevant person” in paragraph (7);

(b) humanitarian organisations having observer status with the United Nations General Assembly;

(c) the British Red Cross.”;

(f) in paragraph (7)—

(i) at the appropriate place, insert—

““relevant person” means—

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<sup>(1)</sup> S.I. 2019/792, amended by S.I. 2024/643; there are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

- (a) any person that receives funding from any part of the Government of the United Kingdom for the purpose of providing a humanitarian assistance activity in Syria;
  - (b) the United Nations, including its—
    - (i) specialised agencies and related organisations; and
    - (ii) other entities and bodies;
  - (c) international organisations carrying out humanitarian assistance activities in Syria other than those described in sub-paragraph (b);
  - (d) humanitarian organisations having observer status with the United Nations General Assembly and members of those humanitarian organisations;
  - (e) bilaterally or multilaterally funded non-governmental organisations participating in the United Nations Humanitarian Response Plans, Refugee Response Plans, other United Nations appeals, or humanitarian clusters coordinated by the United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs;
  - (f) any grantee, subsidiary, or implementing partner of a person mentioned in sub-paragraphs (a) to (e) while and to the extent they are acting in that capacity;”;
- (ii) omit the definition of “UK funded person”.
- (3) In regulation 75(2) (general trade licences: records), after “the following information” insert “, where appropriate,”.
- (4) In regulation 79 (penalties for offences)—
- (a) in paragraph (3) (penalties for offences) omit “57(6) (exceptions relating to petroleum products: notification requirement),”;
  - (b) after paragraph (4) insert—
    - “(4A) A person who commits an offence under regulation 57(6) (exceptions relating to petroleum products: notification requirement) is liable—
    - (a) on summary conviction in England and Wales, to a fine;
    - (b) on summary conviction in Scotland, to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale;
    - (c) on summary conviction in Northern Ireland, to a fine not exceeding level 5 on the standard scale.”.
- (5) In regulation 84(3) (trade enforcement: application of CEMA) omit sub-paragraph (b).
- (6) In regulation 97(b) (trade: overlapping offences) omit “57(6) (exceptions relating to petroleum products: notification requirement),”.