Executive Order 13348 of July 22, 2004

Blocking Property of Certain Persons and Prohibiting the Importation of Certain Goods from Liberia


I, GEORGE W. BUSH, President of the United States of America, note that the actions and policies of former Liberian President Charles Taylor and other persons, in particular their unlawful depletion of Liberian resources and their removal from Liberia and secreting of Liberian funds and property, have undermined Liberia’s transition to democracy and the orderly development of its political, administrative, and economic institutions and resources. I further note that the Comprehensive Peace Agreement signed on August 18, 2003, and the related ceasefire have not yet been universally implemented throughout Liberia, and that the illicit trade in round logs and timber products is linked to the proliferation of and trafficking in illegal arms, which perpetuate the Liberian conflict and fuel and exacerbate other conflicts throughout West Africa. I find that the actions, policies, and circumstances described above constitute an unusual and extraordinary threat to the foreign policy of the United States and hereby declare a national emergency to deal with that threat. To address that threat, I hereby order:

Section 1. (a) Except to the extent provided in section 203(b)(1), (3), and (4) of IEEPA (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(1), (3), and (4)), or regulations, orders, directives, or licenses that may be issued pursuant to this order, and notwithstanding any contract entered into or any license or permit granted prior to the effective date of this order, all property and interests in property of the following persons, that are in the United States, that hereafter come within the United States, or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons, are blocked and may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in:

(i) the persons listed in the Annex to this order; and

(ii) any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State:

(A) to be or have been an immediate family member of Charles Taylor;

(B) to have been a senior official of the former Liberian regime headed by Charles Taylor or otherwise to have been or be a close ally or associate of Charles Taylor or the former Liberian regime;

(C) to have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services in support of, the unlawful depletion of Liberian resources, the removal of Liberian resources from that country, and the secreting of Liberian funds and property by any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order; or
(D) to be owned or controlled by, or acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order.

(b) I hereby determine that the making of donations of the type of articles specified in section 203(b)(2) of IEEPA (50 U.S.C. 1702(b)(2)) by, to, or for the benefit of, any person whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to paragraph (a) of this section would seriously impair my ability to deal with the national emergency declared in this order, and I hereby prohibit such donations as provided by paragraph (a) of this section.

(c) The prohibitions in paragraph (a) of this section include, but are not limited to,

(i) the making of any contribution or provision of funds, goods, or services by, to, or for the benefit of, any person whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order, and

(ii) the receipt of any contribution or provision of funds, goods, or services from any such person.

Sec. 2. Except to the extent provided in regulations, orders, directives, or licenses that may be issued pursuant to this order, and notwithstanding any contract entered into or any license or permit granted prior to the effective date of this order, the direct or indirect importation into the United States of any round log or timber product originating in Liberia is prohibited.

Sec. 3. (a) Any transaction by a United States person or within the United States that evades or avoids, has the purpose of evading or avoiding, or attempts to violate any of the prohibitions set forth in this order is prohibited.

(b) Any conspiracy formed to violate any of the prohibitions set forth in this order is prohibited.

Sec. 4. For purposes of this order: (a) the term “person” means an individual or entity;

(b) the term “entity” means a partnership, association, trust, joint venture, corporation, group, subgroup, or other organization;

(c) the term “United States person” means any United States citizen, permanent resident alien, entity organized under the laws of the United States or any jurisdiction within the United States (including foreign branches), or any person in the United States; and

(d) the term “round log or timber product” means any product classifiable in Chapter 44 of the Harmonized Tariff Schedule of the United States.

Sec. 5. For those persons whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to section 1 of this order who might have a constitutional presence in the United States, I find that because of the ability to transfer funds or other assets instantaneously, prior notice to such persons of measures to be taken pursuant to this order would render these measures ineffectual. I therefore determine that for these measures to be effective in addressing the national emergency declared in this order, there need be no prior notice of a listing or determination made pursuant to section 1 of this order.

Sec. 6. The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is hereby authorized to take such actions, including the promulgation of rules and regulations, and to employ all powers granted to the President by IEEPA and UNPA as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this order. The Secretary of the Treasury may delegate any of these functions to other officers and agencies of the United States Government, consistent with applicable law. All agencies of the United States Government are hereby directed to take all appropriate measures within their authority to carry out the provisions of this order and, where appropriate, to advise the Secretary of the Treasury in a timely manner of the measures taken.
Sec. 7. The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is hereby authorized to submit the recurring and final reports to the Congress on the national emergency declared in this order, consistent with section 401(c) of NEA, 50 U.S.C. 1641(c), and section 204(c) of IEEPA, 50 U.S.C. 1703(c).

Sec. 8. The Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, is hereby authorized to determine, subsequent to the issuance of this order, that circumstances no longer warrant the inclusion of a person in the Annex to this order and that the property and interests in property of that person are therefore no longer blocked pursuant to section 1 of this order.

Sec. 9. This order is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefit, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any party against the United States, its departments, agencies, instrumentalities, or entities, its officers or employees, or any other person.

Sec. 10. This order is effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on July 23, 2004.

Sec. 11. This order shall be transmitted to the Congress and published in the Federal Register.

THE WHITE HOUSE,
ANNEX

1. Allen, Cyril
   DOB: 26 Jul 1952
   Former Chairman, National Patriotic Party; nationality Liberian;
   alt. nationality Nigerian

2. Bout, Viktor Anatolijevitch
   aka Butt
   aka Bont
   aka Butte
   aka Boutov
   aka Sergitov, Vitali
   DOB: 13 Jan 1967; alt. DOB: 13 Jan 1970
   Businessman, dealer and transporter of weapons and minerals;
   Passport No. 21N0532664; alt. Passport No. 29N0006765; alt.
   Passport No. 21N0557148; alt. Passport No. 44N3570350

3. Bright, Charles R.
   DOB: 29 Aug 1948
   Former Minister of Finance

4. Cisse, M. Moussa
   aka Kamara, Mamadee
   DOB: 24 Dec 1946; alt. DOB: 26 Jun 1944
   Former Chief of Presidential Protocol; Chairman, Mohammed Group
   of Companies; Diplomatic Passport No. D-001548-99 <Liberia>;
   Passport No. 0058070 <Liberia>

5. Cooper, Randolph
   DOB: 28 Oct 1950
   Former Managing Director, Roberts Intl. Airport

6. Darrah, Kaddieyatu
   aka Darah, Kadiyatu
   aka Dara, Kaddieyatu
   aka Dara, Kadiyatu
   Special Assistant to Charles Taylor

7. Dunbar, Belle Y.
   Former Managing Director, Liberian Petroleum Refining Company

8. Dunbar, Jenkins
   DOB: 10 Jan 1947
   Former Minister of Lands, Mines, Energy

9. Fawas, Abbas
   President, Maryland Wood Processing Industries; President, United
   Logging Company; nationality Lebanese

10. Gibson, Myrtle
    DOB: 03 Nov 1952
    Former Senator; advisor to Charles Taylor

11. Goodridge, Reginald B. (Senior)
    aka Goodrich, Reginald B. (Senior)
    DOB: 11 Nov 1952
    Former Minister for Culture, Information, Tourism

12. Jobe, Baba
    Director, Gambia New Millenium Air Company; Member of Parliament
    of Gambia; nationality Gambian
13. KIIA TAI, Joseph Wong  
Executive, Oriental Timber Company

14. KLEILAT, Ali  
DOB: 10 JUL 1970; POB: Beirut, Lebanon; nationality Lebanese  
Businessman

15. KOUWENHOVEN, Gus  
aka KOUVENDHOVEN, Gus  
aka KOUWENHOVEN, Gus  
aka KOUWENHAVEN, Gus  
DOB: 15 SEP 1942; nationality Dutch  
President, Oriental Timber Company; Owner, Hotel Africa;  
Villa # 1, Hotel Africa Virginia, Monrovia, Liberia  
P.O. Box 1522, Monrovia, Liberia

16. MININ, Leonid  
aka BLANSTEIN  
aka BLYUVSHTEIN  
aka BLYAFSHTIN  
aka BLYUVSHTEIN  
aka BLYUFSHTEIN  
aka KERLER, Vladimir Abramovich  
aka POPIOVESKI, Vladimir Abramovich  
aka POPELAVESKI, Vladimir Abramovich  
aka POPELOVESKI, Vladimir Abramovich  
aka POPELA, Vladimir Abramovich  
aka POPELO, Vladimir Abramovich  
aka BRESLAN, Wolf  
aka BRESLAN, Wolf  
aka OSOLS, Igor  
DOB: 14 DEC 1947; alt. DOB: 18 OCT 1946; Owner, Exotic Tropical  
Timber Enterprise; nationality Ukrainian; Passport No.  
528007248D <Germany>; alt. Passport No. 18106739D <Germany>;  
No. 9001689 (23/1/97-22/1/02) <Israel>; alt. Passport No.  
90109052 (26/11/97) <Israel>; Passport No. K10861177 <Russia>;  
Passport No. 65118 <Bolivia>

17. NASR, Samir M.  
aka RUPRAH, Sanjivan  
DOB: 09 AUG 1966  
Businessman; Former Deputy Commissioner, Bureau of Maritime  
Affairs; Passport No. D-001829-00 <Liberia>; nationality Kenyan

18. NEAL, Juanita  
DOB: 09 MAY 1947  
Former Deputy Minister of Finance

19. SALAMI, Mohamed Ahmad  
aka SALAME, Mohamed Ahmad  
DOB: 22 SEP 1961  
Owner, Mohamed Group of Companies; Taylor's informal diplomatic  
representative; nationality Lebanese

20. SANKOH, Foday  
Deceased

21. SHAW, Emmanuel (II)  
DOB: 26 JUL 1946; alt. DOB: 26 JUL 1956; alt. DOB: 29 JUL 1956  
Advisor to Charles Taylor
22. TAYLOR, Charles Ghankay
aka TAYLOR, Charles MacArthur
aka SOME, Jean-Paul
aka SOME, Jean-Paul
DOB: 01 SEP 1947
Former President of Liberia

23. TAYLOR, Charles (Junior)
aka "Chuckie"
DOB: 12 FEB 1978
Advisor and son of former President Taylor

24. TAYLOR, Tupee Enid
DOB: 17 DEC 1962
Ex-wife of former President Taylor

25. REEVES-TAYLOR, Agnes
aka TAYLOR, Agnes Reeves
aka REEVES-TAYLOR
DOB: 27 SEP 1965
Ex-wife of former President Taylor; ex-Permanent Representative to the International Maritime Organization; nationality Liberian

26. TAYLOR, Jewell Howard
DOB: 17 JAN 1963
Wife of former President Taylor

27. UREY, Benoni
DOB: 22 JUN 1957
Former Commissioner of Maritime Affairs; Diplomatic Passport No. D-00148399 <Liberia>

28. YEATON, Benjamin
aka YEATEN, Benjamin
Former Director, Special Security Services; Diplomatic Passport No. D-00123299 <Liberia>

Note: The identifying information with respect to each person listed in this Annex reflects information currently available and is provided solely to facilitate compliance with this order. Each individual listed in this Annex remains subject to the prohibitions of this order notwithstanding any change in title, position, or affiliation.