On July 18, 2012, the Director of OFAC, in consultation with the Department of State, designated, pursuant to one or more of the criteria set forth in subsection 1(b) of the Order, twenty-nine (29) individuals whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 13573.

The listings for those individuals on OFAC’s list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons appear as follows:

**Individuals**

1. AHMAD AL-ABDULLAH, Subhi; DOB 1951; POB Idleh, Syria; Minister of Agriculture and Agrarian Reform (individual) [SYRIA].
2. AL-WAZZ, Hazwan; DOB 1962; POB Damascus, Syria; Minister of Education (individual) [SYRIA].
3. IBRAHIM SAID, Mahmoud; DOB 1953; POB Lattakia, Syria; Minister of Transport (individual) [SYRIA].
4. SHUKRI KURDI, Fuad; DOB 1953; POB Aleppo, Syria; Minister of Industry (individual) [SYRIA].
5. YEHYA MOALLA, Mohammad; DOB 1951; POB Lattakia, Syria; Minister of Higher Education (individual) [SYRIA].
6. ZAFER MIHBEK, Mohammad; DOB 1945; POB Aleppo, Syria; Minister of Economy and Foreign Trade (individual) [SYRIA].
7. AL-JILELATI, MOHAMMAD (a.k.a. AL-JILILATI, MOHAMMAD); DOB 1945; POB Damascus, Syria; Minister of Finance (individual) [SYRIA].
8. AFED AL-ZOUBI, Omar; DOB 1959; POB Damascus, Syria; Minister of Information (individual) [SYRIA].
9. AL-ASSAF, Safwan; DOB 1959; POB Hama, Syria; Minister of Housing and Urban Development (individual) [SYRIA].
10. AL-SIBAEI, Yasser; DOB 1951; POB Homs, Syria; Minister of Public Works (individual) [SYRIA].
11. FARAH SARKIS, Nazira; DOB 1962; POB Aleppo, Syria; Minister of State for Environment Affairs (individual) [SYRIA].
12. HAIDAR, Ali; DOB 1962; POB Hama, Syria; Minister of State for National Reconciliation Affairs (individual) [SYRIA].
13. MOHAMMAD ZAKARYA, Jassim; DOB 1968; POB Hasaka, Syria; Minister of Social Affairs and Labor (individual) [SYRIA].
14. MSHAWEH, Lubanah; DOB 1955; POB Damascus, Syria; Minister of Culture (individual) [SYRIA].
15. MUZI HNEIDI, Said; DOB 1954; POB Damascus, Syria; Minister of Oil and Mineral Resources (individual) [SYRIA].
16. AL-NASSER, Hala Mohammad; DOB 1964; POB Raqqa, Syria; Minister of Tourism (individual) [SYRIA].
17. AL-SAYYED, Mohammad Abdul-Sattar; DOB 1958; POB Tartus, Syria; Minister of Religious Endowments (individual) [SYRIA].
18. HABIB, Radwan; DOB 1962; POB Aleppo, Syria; Minister of Justice (individual) [SYRIA].
19. HANNA, Bassam; DOB 1954; POB Aleppo, Syria; Minister of Water Resources (individual) [SYRIA].
20. HIJAB, Riyad (a.k.a. HIJAB, Riyad Farid), Syria; DOB 1966; POB Deir Ezzor, Syria; Prime Minister (individual) [SYRIA].
21. JAMIL, Qadri (a.k.a. JAMIL, Kadri); DOB 1952; POB Damascus, Syria; Deputy Prime Minister for Economic Affairs; Minister of Internal Trade and Consumer Protection (individual) [SYRIA].
22. AL-HALQUI, Wael Nader; DOB 1964; POB Daraa, Syria; Minister of Health (individual) [SYRIA].
23. AZZAM, Mansour Fadlallah; DOB 1960; POB Sweida, Syria; Minister of Presidential Affairs (individual) [SYRIA].
24. FARZAT, Hussein Mahmoud; DOB 1957; POB Hama, Syria; Minister of State (individual) [SYRIA].
25. GHALAWANJI, Omar Ibrahim; DOB 1954; POB Tartous, Syria; Deputy Prime Minister for Services Affairs; Minister of Local Administration (individual) [SYRIA].
26. KHAMIS, Imad Mohammad Deeb; DOB 01 Aug 1961; POB near Damascus, Syria; Minister of Electricity (individual) [SYRIA].
27. SABOUNI, Emad Abdul-Ghani; DOB 1964; POB Damascus, Syria; Minister of Communications and Technology (individual) [SYRIA].
28. SWEID, Joseph Jurji (a.k.a. SUWAID, Joseph); DOB 1958; POB Damascus, Syria; Minister of State (individual) [SYRIA].
29. MAYALEH, Adib (a.k.a. MAYALA, Adib); DOB 1955; POB Daraa, Syria; Governor of Central Bank of Syria (individual) [SYRIA].

Dated: July 18, 2012.

Adam Szubin,
Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.

**DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY**

**Office of Foreign Assets Control**

**Actions Taken Pursuant to Executive Order 13382**

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Treasury Department’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (“OFAC”) is publishing on OFAC’s list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons (“SDN List”) the names of five entities, whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 13382 of June 28, 2005, “Blocking Property of Weapons of Mass Destruction Proliferators and Their Supporters.” The designations by the Director of OFAC, pursuant to Executive Order 13382, were effective on July 18, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Assistant Director, Compliance Outreach & Implementation, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20220, Tel.: 202/622–2490.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

Electronic and Facsimile Availability

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available from OFAC’s Web site (www.treasury.gov/ofac) or via facsimile through a 24-hour fax-on-demand service, Tel.: 202/622–0077.

**Background**

On June 28, 2005, the President, invoking the authority, *inter alia*, of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701–1706) (“IEEPA”), issued Executive Order 13382 (70 FR 38567, July 1, 2005) (the “Order”), effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on June 29, 2005. In the Order, the President took additional steps with respect to the national emergency described and declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, regarding the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and the means of delivering them.

Section 1 of the Order blocks, with certain exceptions, all property and interests in property that are in the United States, or that hereafter come within the United States or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons, of:

1. The persons listed in the Annex to the Order;
2. Any foreign person determined by the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, and other relevant agencies, to have engaged, or attempted to engage, in
activities or transactions that have materially contributed to, or pose a risk of materially contributing to, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction or their means of delivery (including missiles capable of delivering such weapons), including any efforts to manufacture, acquire, possess, develop, transport, transfer or use such items, by any person or foreign country of proliferation concern; (3) any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and other relevant agencies, to have provided, or attempted to provide, financial, material, technological or other support for, or goods or services in support of, any activity or transaction described in clause (2) above or any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the Order; and (4) any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and other relevant agencies, 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 the Order.

On July 18, 2012, the Director of OFAC, in consultation with the Departments of State, Justice, and other relevant agencies, designated five entities whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to Executive Order 13382.

The list of additional designees is as follows:

Entities

1. BUSINESS LAB, Maysat Square Al Rasafi Street Bldg. 9, PO Box 7155, Damascus, Syria [NPWMD].
2. HANDASIEH (a.k.a. ORGANIZATION FOR ENGINEERING INDUSTRIES), PO Box 21120 Baramkeh, Damascus, Syria; PO Box 2849, Al Moutanabi Street, Damascus, Syria; PO Box 5966, Abou Bakr Al Seddeq St., Damascus, Syria [NPWMD].
3. INDUSTRIAL SOLUTIONS, Baghdad Street 5, PO Box 6394, Damascus, Syria [NPWMD].
4. MECHANICAL CONSTRUCTION FACTORY, PO Box 35202, Industrial Zone, Al-Qadam Road, Damascus, Syria [NPWMD].
5. SYRONICS (a.k.a. SYRIAN ARAB CO. FOR ELECTRONIC INDUSTRIES), Kaboon Street, PO Box 5966, Damascus, Syria [NPWMD].

Dated: July 18, 2012.

Adam J. Szubin,
Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Internal Revenue Service

Proposed Information Collection; Comment Request

AGENCY: Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments should be received on or before September 24, 2012 to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Yvette B. Lawrence, Internal Revenue Service, Room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224.

Please send separate comments for each specific information collection listed below. You must reference the information collection’s title, form number, reporting or record-keeping requirement number, and OMB number (if any) in your comment.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To obtain additional information, or copies of the information collection and instructions, or copies of any comments received, contact Joel. P. Goldberger, (202) 927–9368 or at Internal Revenue Service, room 6129, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20224, or through the Internet, at Joel.P.Goldberger@irs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Request for Comments

The Department of the Treasury and the Internal Revenue Service, as part of their continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invite the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on the proposed or continuing information collections listed below in this notice, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, (44 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.).

Request For Comments: Comments submitted in response to this notice will be summarized and/or included in our request for Office of Management and Budget (OMB) approval of the relevant information collection. All comments will become a matter of public record. Please do not include any confidential or inappropriate material in your comments.

We invite comments on: (a) Whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the agency’s functions, including whether the information has practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency’s estimate of the burden of the collection of information; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; and (e) estimates of capital or start-up costs and costs of operation, maintenance, and purchase of services to provide the requested information.

Information Collections Open for Comment

Currently, the IRS is seeking comments concerning the following forms, and reporting and record-keeping requirements:

Title: Request for Discharge From Personal Liability Under Internal Revenue Code Section 2204 or 6905.
OMB Number: 1545–0432.
Form Number: Form 4959.
Abstract: Form 4959 provides guidance under sections 2204 and 6905 for executors of estates and fiduciaries of decedent’s trusts. The form, filed after regular filing of an Estate, Gift, or Income tax return for a decedent, is used by the executor or fiduciary to request discharge from personal liability for any deficiency for the tax and periods shown on the form.

Current Actions: There is no change in the paperwork burden previously approved by OMB. This form is being submitted for renewal purposes only.

Type of Review: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Affected Public: Individuals or Households.
Estimated Number of Respondents: 25,000.
Estimated Time per Respondent: 12 hours 16 minutes.
Title: Limitations on Percentage Depletion in the Case of Oil and Gas Wells.
OMB Number: 1545–1251.