DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY
Office of Foreign Assets Control
Notice of OFAC Sanctions

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of 41 persons whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the Global Terrorism Sanctions Regulations, and whose entries on OFAC’s Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) have been amended accordingly. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

DATES: See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION section.


SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The SDN List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC’s Web site (www.treas.gov/ofac).

Notice of OFAC Actions

On June 6, 2003, OFAC issued the GTSR (68 FR 34196, June 6, 2003) to implement E.O. 13224. OFAC has amended the GTSR on several occasions.

On August 2, 2017, the President signed into law the Countering America’s Adversaries Through Sanctions Act, Public Law 115–44, Aug. 2, 2017, 131 Stat. 886 (22 U.S.C. 9401 et seq.) (CAATSA). Section 105(b) of CAATSA requires the President to impose the sanctions applicable with respect to a foreign person pursuant to the global terrorism Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001 (66 FR 49079, September 25, 2001) (E.O. 13224) on Iran’s Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) and foreign persons that are officials, agents, or affiliates of the IRGC. Such sanctions must be imposed beginning on the date that is 90 days after enactment of CAATSA, which was October 31, 2017.

Consistent with Section 105(b) of CAATSA, OFAC designated the IRGC on October 13, 2017, pursuant to E.O. 13224 for providing support to the IRGC-Qods Force, which previously had been designated for its support to various terrorist groups. OFAC also issued an amendment to the GTSR, effective October 31, 2017, adding § 594.201(a)(5) to Subpart B of the GTSR to include the following as persons whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the GTSR: Foreign persons that are identified on the SDN List maintained by OFAC as officials, agents, or affiliates of the IRGC (82 FR 50313, October 31, 2017).

The names of persons whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to section 594.201(a) of the GTSR are published in the Federal Register and incorporated into the SDN List with the identifier “[SDGT].” Upon publication of the above-referenced GTSR amendment in the Federal Register on October 31, 2017, the following 41 persons became persons whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to section 594.201(a)(5) of the GTSR. Accordingly, OFAC has added the reference (“[SDGT]”) to their SDN List entries.

Individuals

1. AHMADIAN, Ali Akbar (a.k.a. AHMADIYAN, Ali Akbar); DOB circa 1961; POB Kerman, Iran; nationality Iran; citizen Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions (individual) [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

2. ARAGHI, Abdullah (a.k.a. ARAQI, Abdullah; a.k.a. ARAGHI, Abdullah; a.k.a. ARAGHI, Abdollah; a.k.a. ERAQI, Abdullah); DOB 1945; POB Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Lieutenant Commander, IRGC Ground Force; Deputy Commander, IRGC Ground Forces; Brigadier General; Former Commander, Greater Tehran’s Mohammad Rasoolollah IRGC; Former Chief, Greater Tehran Revolutionary Guards (individual) [SDGT] [IRGC] [IRAN–HR].

3. FATTAH, Parviz (a.k.a. FATTAH-QAREHBAGHI, Parviz); DOB 1961; alt. DOB 1962; POB Urmia, Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions (individual) [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

4. FORUZANDEH, Ahmad (a.k.a. FAYRUIZI, Ahmad; a.k.a. FOROOZANDEH, Ahmad; a.k.a. FORUZANDEH, Ahmad; a.k.a. FRUZANDEH, Ahmad; a.k.a. “ABU AHMAD ISHAB”; a.k.a. "JAFARI"). Qods Force Central Headquaters, Former U.S. Embassy Compound, Tehran, Iran; DOB circa 1960; alt. DOB 1957; alt. DOB circa 1955; alt. DOB circa 1958; alt. DOB circa 1959; alt. DOB circa 1961; alt. DOB circa 1962; alt. DOB circa 1963; POB Kermanshah, Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Brigadier General, Commanding Officer of the Iranian Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps-Qods Force Ramazan Corps; Deputy Commander of the Ramazan Headquarters; Chief of Staff of the Iraq Crisis Staff (individual) [SDGT] [IRAG3] [IRGC].

5. HEJAZI, Mohammad; DOB circa 1959; nationality Iran; citizen Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions (individual) [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

6. JAFARI, Mohammad Ali (a.k.a. JAFARI, Ali; a.k.a. JAFARI, Mohammad Ali; a.k.a. JAFARI-NAJAFABADI, Mohammad Ali; a.k.a. "JAFARI, Aziz''), c/o IRGC, Tehran, Iran; DOB 01 Sep 1957; POB Yazd, Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Commander-in-Chief, Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps; Commander, Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps; Major General; Brigadier Commander (individual) [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR] [IRAN–HR].

7. NAQDI, Mohammad Reza (a.k.a. NAVAGHI, Mohammad Reza; a.k.a. NAQDI, Muhammad; a.k.a. SHAMS, Mohammad Reza); DOB circa 1952; alt. DOB circa Mar 1961; alt. DOB circa Apr 1961; alt. DOB 1953; POB Najaf, Iraq; alt. POB Tehran, Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Brigadier General and Commander of the IRGC Basij Resistance Force; President of the Organization of the Basij of the Oppressed; Chief of the Mobilization of the Oppressed Organization; Head of the Basij (individual) [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR] [IRAN–HR].

8. QASEMI, Rostam (a.k.a. GHASEMI MOHAMMADALI, ROSTAM); nationality Iran; citizen Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Passeport A2463775 (Iran) (individual) [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

9. SAFAVI, Yahya Rahim (a.k.a. AL-SIFAWI, Yahya Rahim; a.k.a. RAHIM-SAFAVI, Yahia; a.k.a. RAHIM-SAFAVI, Yahia; a.k.a. SAFAVI, Rahim; a.k.a. YAHYA RAHIM-SAFAVI, Seyyed; a.k.a. YAHYA SAFAVI, Sayed); DOB circa 1952; POB Isfahan, Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions (individual) [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

10. SALMI, Hosein (a.k.a. SALAMI, Hoseyn; a.k.a. SALAMI, Hussayn); nationality Iran; citizen Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Passport D08531177 (Iran) (individual) [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

11. SALMI, Hosein (a.k.a. TAEB, Hassan; a.k.a. TAEB, Hossien; a.k.a. TAEB, Hessin; a.k.a. TAEB, Hussainy); DOB 1963; POB Tehran, Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Deputy Commander for Intelligence, Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps; Hojjatoleslam; Former Commander of the Basij Forces (individual) [SDGT] [IRGC] [IRAN–HR].
Entities

1. BAVIYATALLAH UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES (a.k.a. BAVIYATALLAH MEDICAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY; a.k.a. BAGHIYATALLAH MEDICAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY; a.k.a. BAVIYATALLAH UNIVERSITY; a.k.a. BAGHIYATALLAH MEDICAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY; a.k.a. BAVIYATALLAH MEDICAL SCIENCES UNIVERSITY; a.k.a. BAVIYATALLAH UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES; a.k.a. BAVIYATALLAH UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES)

2. BAVIYATALLAH UNIVERSITY OF MEDICAL SCIENCES

3. DEEP OFFSHORE TECHNOLOGY COMPANY

4. FATER ENGINEERING INSTITUTE

5. GHARARGAHA SAZANDEGI GHAEM

6. GHARARGHAH GAHEM FAATER INSTITUTE

7. GHORB KARBALA

8. GHORB NOOH, P.O. Box 16765-3476

9. HARA COMPANY (a.k.a. HARA INSTITUTE)

10. IMAM HOSSEIN UNIVERSITY (a.k.a. EMAM HOSSEIN UNIVERSITY; a.k.a. EMAM HOSSEIN UNIVERSITY; a.k.a. EMAM HOSEYN UNIVERSITY NASSERI; a.k.a. ISLAMIC REVOLUTIONARY GUARD CORPS UNIVERSITY; a.k.a. UNIVERSITY OF ISLAMIC REVOLUTIONARY GUARD CORPS)

11. IMENSAZEN CONSULTANT ENGINEERS INSTITUTE

12. IRAN MARINE INDUSTRIAL CORPORATION

13. ISLAMIC REVOLUTIONARY GUARD CORPS AEROSPACE FORCE

14. ISLAMIC REVOLUTIONARY GUARD CORPS AEROSPACE FORCE

15. ISLAMIC REVOLUTIONARY GUARD CORPS AIR FORCE

16. ISLAMIC REVOLUTIONARY GUARD CORPS AL-IGHADIR MISSILE COMMAND

17. KHATAM OL ANBIA GHAHRAGH SAZANDEGI NOOH (a.k.a. GHRD QHATAM; a.k.a. GHADIR QHATAM; a.k.a. KHATAM OL AMBA; a.k.a. KHATAM OL AMBA)

18. KARBALA, Sahra

19. KARBALA, Sahra

20. MEHR-E EQTESAD-E IRANIAN INVESTMENT COMPANY

21. MEHR BANK (a.k.a. MEHR FINANCE AND CREDIT INSTITUTE)

22. ORIENTAL OIL KISH

23. RAHAB INSTITUTE (f.k.a. RAHSAZ INSTITUTE)

24. SEPASAD ENGINEERING COMPANY

25. SEPASAD ENGINEERING COMPANY

26. SEPLAN AND GAS ENGINEERING COMPANY

27. SEPLAN AND GAS ENGINEERING COMPANY
Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

28. TEHRAN GOSTARESH COMPANY, P.J.S., No. 24, 5th Alley, Khaled Eslamboli Street, Tehran 1513643811, Iran; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

29. TIDEWATER MIDDLE EAST CO. (a.k.a. FARAZ ROYAL QESHM LLC; a.k.a. TIDE WATER COMPANY; a.k.a. TIDE WATER MIDDLE EAST MARINE SERVICE; a.k.a. TIDEWATER CO. (MIDDLE EAST MARINE SERVICES)). No. 80, Tidewater Building, Vozara Street, Next to Saie Park, Tehran, Iran; Web site www.tidewaterco.com; Email Address info@tidewaterco.com; alt. Email Address info@tidewaterco.ir; IFCA Determination—Port Operator; Additional Sanctions Information—Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Business Registration Document # 18745 (Iran); Telephone: 982188553321; Alt. Telephone: 982188554432; Fax: 982188717367; Alt. Fax: 982188708761; Alt. Fax: 982188708911 [SDGT] [NPWMD] [IRGC] [IFSR].

Dated: November 9, 2017.

John E. Smith, Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.

DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

Advisory Committee: National Academic Affiliations Council, Notice of Meeting

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) gives notice under the Federal Advisory Committee Act that a meeting of the National Academic Affiliations Council (NAAC) will be held December 6, 2017—December 7, 2017 in Washington, DC. The December 6, 2017 session will be held in the Sonny Montgomery Conference Center, Room 230, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420. This session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and end at 4:30 p.m. The December 7, 2017 session will be held in the Sonny Montgomery Conference Center, Room 230, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420. This session will begin at 8:30 a.m. and adjourn by 2:15 p.m. The meetings are open to the public.

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Secretary on matters affecting partnerships between VA and its academic affiliates.

On December 6, 2017, the Council will review the status of its previous recommendations and receive a series of informational briefings on the budget, staffing, and functional alignment of the VA Office of Academic Affiliations. During the afternoon, the Council will explore several proposed physician recruitment initiatives to strengthen VA's clinical workforce pipeline, review efforts to minimize the adverse impact of several VA IT security policies on affiliate trainees; and receive a progress report on VA's newly launched Trainee Satisfaction Survey.

On December 7, 2017, the Council will receive presentations on VA's efforts to strengthen its academic affiliations between historically black colleges and universities and VA medical centers as well as the NAAC's Subcommittee on Diversity and Inclusion. The Members will also discuss the themes and outcomes of Secretary Shulkin's November 2017 address to the Association of American Medical Colleges and an update on plans to constitute an internal VA advisory committee on affiliation issues. During lunch, the Council will receive a series of short updates on areas of continuing interest: The revised waiver process for those VA employees with relationships with for-profit educational institutions and the Office of Personnel Management's proposed rule to limit the availability of administrative leave for Federal employees. The Council will receive public comments from 4:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. on December 6, 2017 and again at or before 2:00 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. on December 7, 2017.

Interested persons may attend and present oral statements to the Council. A sign-in sheet for those who want to give comments will be available at the meeting. Individuals who speak are invited to submit a 1–2 page summary of their comments at the time of the meeting for inclusion in the official meeting record. Oral presentations will be limited to five minutes or less, depending on the number of participants. Interested parties may also provide written comments for review by the Council prior to the meeting or at any time, via email to Steve.Trynosky@va.gov, or by mail to Stephen K. Trynosky JD, MPH, MMAS, Designated Federal Officer, Office of Academic Affiliations (10A2D), 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420. Any member of the public wishing to attend or seeking additional information should contact Mr. Trynosky via email or by phone at (202) 461–6723. Because the meeting will be held in a Government building, anyone attending must be prepared to submit to security screening and present a valid photo I.D.

Dated: November 14, 2017.

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