DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 10947]

Updating the State Department’s List of Entities and Subentities Associated With Cuba (Cuba Restricted List)

ACTION: Updated publication of list of entities and subentities; notice.

SUMMARY: The Department of State is publishing an update to its List of Restricted Entities and Subentities Associated with Cuba (Cuba Restricted List) with which direct financial transactions are generally prohibited under the Cuban Assets Control Regulations (CACR). This Cuba Restricted List is also considered during review of license applications submitted to the Department of Commerce’s Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) pursuant to the Export Administration Regulations (EAR).

DATES: This list of entities and subentities is effective on November 19, 2019.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On June 16, 2017, the President signed National Security Presidential Memorandum–5 on Strengthening the Policy of the United States Toward Cuba (NSPM–5). As directed by NSPM–5, on November 9, 2017, the Department of the Treasury’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) published a final rule in the Federal Register amending the CACR, 31 CFR part 515, and the Department of Commerce’s Bureau of Industry and Security (BIS) published a final rule in the Federal Register amending, among other sections, the section of the Export Administration Regulations (EAR) regarding Cuba. 15 CFR 746.2. The regulatory amendment to the CACR added § 515.209, which generally prohibits direct financial transactions with certain entities and subentities identified on the State Department’s Cuba Restricted List. The State Department is now updating the Cuba Restricted List, as published below and available on the State Department’s website (https://www.state.gov/cuba-sanctions/cuba-restricted-list/).

This update includes five additional subentities. This is the fifth update to the Cuba Restricted List since it was published November 9, 2017 (82 FR 52089). Previous updates were published November 15, 2018 (see 83 FR 57523), March 9, 2019 (see 84 FR 8939), April 24, 2019 (see 84 FR 17228), and July 26, 2019 (see 84 FR 36154). The State Department will continue to update the Cuba Restricted List periodically.

The publication of the updated Cuba Restricted List further implements the directive in paragraph 3(a)(i) of NSPM–5 for the Secretary of State to identify the entities or subentities, as appropriate, that are under the control of, or act for or on behalf of, the Cuban military, intelligence, or security services or personnel, and publish a list of those identified entities and subentities with which direct financial transactions would disproportionately benefit such services or personnel at the expense of the Cuban people or private enterprise in Cuba.

Electronic Availability

This document and additional information concerning the Cuba Restricted List are available from the Department of State’s website (https://www.state.gov/cuba-sanctions/cuba-restricted-list/).

List of Restricted Entities and Subentities Associated With Cuba as of November 15

Below is the U.S. Department of State’s list of entities and subentities under the control of, or acting for or on behalf of, the Cuban military, intelligence, or security services or personnel with which direct financial transactions would disproportionately benefit such services or personnel at the expense of the Cuban people or private enterprise in Cuba. For information regarding the prohibition on direct financial transactions with these entities, please see 31 CFR 515.209. All entities and subentities were listed effective November 9, 2017, unless otherwise indicated.

** * * * Entities or subentities owned or controlled by another entity or subentity on this list are not treated as restricted unless also specified by name on the list.** * * *

Ministries

MINFAR—Ministerio de las Fuerzas Armadas Revolucionarias
MININT—Ministerio del Interior

Holding Companies

CIMEX—Corporación CIMEX S.A.
Compañía Turística Habaguanex S.A.
GAEESA—Grupo de Administración Empresarial S.A.
Gaviota—Grupo de Turismo Gaviota
UIM—Unión de Industria Militar

Hotels in Havana and Old Havana

Aparthotel Montehabana
Gran Hotel Bristol Kempinski Effective November 19, 2019
Gran Hotel Manzana Kempinski
H10 Habana Panorama
Hostal Valencia
Hotel Ambos Mundos
Hotel Armadores de Santander
Hotel Beltrán de Santa Cruz
Hotel Conde de Villanueva
Hotel del Tejadillo
Hotel el Bosque
Hotel el Comendador
Hotel el Mesón de la Flota
Hotel Florida
Hotel Habana 612
Hotel Kohly
Hotel Los Frailes
Hotel Marqués de Prado Ameno
Hotel Palacio Cueto Effective July 26, 2019
Hotel Palacio del Marqués de San Felipe y Santiago de Bejucal
Hotel Palacio O’Farrill
Hotel Park View
Hotel Raquel
Hotel San Miguel
Hotel Santa Isabel Effective April 24, 2019
Hotel Telégrafo
Hotel Terral
Iberostar Grand Packard Hotel Effective November 15, 2018
Memories Miramar Havana
Memories Miramar Montehabana
SO/Havana Paseo del Prado Effective November 15, 2018

Hotels in Santiago de Cuba

Villa Gaviota Santiago

Hotels in Varadero

Blau Marina Varadero Resort also Fiesta Americana Punta Varadero Effective November 15, 2018
also Fiesta Club Adults Only Effective March 12, 2019
Grand Aston Varadero Resort Effective November 19, 2019

Grand Memories Varadero
Hotel El Caney Varadero Effective April 24, 2019
Hotel Las Nubes Effective November 15, 2018
Hotel Oasis Effective November 15, 2018
Iberostar Bella Vista Effective November 15, 2018
Iberostar Laguna Azul
Iberostar Playa Alameda
Meliá Marina Varadero

Gaviota—Grupo de Turismo Gaviota
UIM—Unión de Industria Militar

Hotels in Havana and Old Havana

Aparthotel Montehabana
Gran Hotel Bristol Kempinski Effective November 19, 2019
Gran Hotel Manzana Kempinski
H10 Habana Panorama
Hostal Valencia
Hotel Ambos Mundos
Hotel Armadores de Santander
Hotel Beltrán de Santa Cruz
Hotel Conde de Villanueva
Hotel del Tejadillo
Hotel el Bosque
Hotel el Comendador
Hotel el Mesón de la Flota
Hotel Florida
Hotel Habana 612
Hotel Kohly
Hotel Los Frailes
Hotel Marqués de Prado Ameno
Hotel Palacio Cueto Effective July 26, 2019
Hotel Palacio del Marqués de San Felipe y Santiago de Bejucal
Hotel Palacio O’Farrill
Hotel Park View
Hotel Raquel
Hotel San Miguel
Hotel Santa Isabel Effective April 24, 2019
Hotel Telégrafo
Hotel Terral
Iberostar Grand Packard Hotel Effective November 15, 2018
Memories Miramar Havana
Memories Miramar Montehabana
SO/Havana Paseo del Prado Effective November 15, 2018

Hotels in Santiago de Cuba

Villa Gaviota Santiago

Hotels in Varadero

Blau Marina Varadero Resort also Fiesta Americana Punta Varadero Effective November 15, 2018
also Fiesta Club Adults Only Effective March 12, 2019
Grand Aston Varadero Resort Effective November 19, 2019

Grand Memories Varadero
Hotel El Caney Varadero Effective April 24, 2019
Hotel Las Nubes Effective November 15, 2018
Hotel Oasis Effective November 15, 2018
Iberostar Bella Vista Effective November 15, 2018
Iberostar Laguna Azul
Iberostar Playa Alameda
Meliá Marina Varadero
Hotels in Cayos de Villa Clara
Villa Maguana
Hotel Porto Santo
Hotel El Castillo
Hostal La Rusa
Hostal La Habanera
Hostal 1511
Hotels in Baracoa
Hostal 1511
Hostal La Habanera
Hostal La Rusa
Hotel El Castillo
Hotel Porto Santo
Villa Maguana
Hotels in Cayos de Villa Clara
Angsana Cayo Santa María Effective November 15, 2018
Dhawa Cayo Santa María
Golden Tulip Aguas Claras Effective November 15, 2018
Hotel Cayo Santa María
Hotel Playa Cayo Santa María
Iberostar Ensenachos
Las Salinas Planas & Spa Effective November 15, 2018
La Salina Noreste Effective November 15, 2018
La Salina Suroeste Effective November 15, 2018
Melía Buenavista
Melía Cayo Santa María
Melía Las Dunas
Memories Azul
Memories Flamenco
Memories Paraiso
Ocean Casa del Mar
Paradisus Los Cayos Effective November 15, 2018
RoyaLton Cayo Santa María
Sercotel Experience Cayo Santa María Effective November 15, 2018
Sol Cayo Santa María
Starfish Cayo Santa María Effective November 15, 2018
Valentín Perla Blanca Effective November 15, 2018
Villa Las Brujas
Warwick Cayo Santa María
also Labranda Cayo Santa María Hotel Effective November 15, 2018
Hotels in Holguín
Blau Costa Verde Beach & Resort also Fiesta Americana Holguín Costa Verde Effective November 15, 2018
Hotel Playa Costa Verde
Hotel Playa Pesquero
Memories Holguín
Paradisus Río de Oro Resort & Spa
Playa Costa Verde
Playa Pesquero Premium Service
Sol Río de Luna y Mares
Villa Cayo Naranjo
Villa Cayo Saetia
Villa Pinares de Mayari
Hotels in Jardines del Rey
Cayo Guillermo Resort Kempinski Effective July 26, 2019
Grand Aston Cayo Las Brujas Beach Resort and Spa Effective November 19, 2019
Grand Muthu Cayo Guillermo Effective November 15, 2018
Gran Muthu Imperial Hotel Effective November 19, 2019
Gran Muthu Rainbow Hotel Effective November 19, 2019
Hotel Playa Coco Plus
Iberostar Playa Pilar
Meliá Jardines del Rey
Memories Caribe
Pestana Cayo Coco
Hotels in Topes de Collantes
Hostal Los Helechos
Kurhotel Escambray Effective November 15, 2018
Los Helechos
Villa Caburni
Tourist Agencies
Crucero del Sol
Gaviota Tours
Marinas
Marina Gaviota Cabo de San Antonio (Pinar del Río)
Marina Gaviota Cayo Coco (Jardines del Rey)
Marina Gaviota Las Brujas (Cayos de Villa Clara)
Marina Gaviota Puerto Vita (Holguín)
Marina Gaviota Varadero (Varadero)
Stores in Old Havana
Casa del Abanico
Colección Habana
Florería Jardín Wagner
Joyería Coral Negro—Additional locations throughout Cuba
La Casa del Regalo
San Ignacio 415
Soldadito de Plomo
Tienda El Navegante
Tienda Museo El Reloj Cuervo y Sobrinos
Entidades Directly Serving the Defense and Security Sectors
ACERPROT—Agencia de Certificación y Consultoría de Seguridad y Protección junto con las Empresas de Certificación de Sistemas de Seguridad y Protección Effective November 15, 2018
AGROMIN—Grupo Empresarial Agropecuario del Ministerio del Interior
APC—Agencia de Protección Contra Incendios
CAHOMA—Empresa Militar Industrial Comandante Ernesto Che Guevara
Casa Editorial Verde Olivo Effective July 26, 2019
CASEG—Empresa Militar Industrial Transporte Occidente
CID NAV—Centro de Investigación y Desarrollo Naval
CIDAI—Centro de Investigación y Desarrollo de Armamento de Infantería
CIDAO—Centro de Investigación y Desarrollo del Armamento de Artillería y Instrumentos Ópticos y Ópticos Electrónicos
CORCEL—Empresa Militar Industrial Emilio Barcenas Pier
CUBAGRO—Empresa Comercializadora y Exportadora de Productos Agropecuarios y Agroindustriales
DATYS—Empresa para el Desarrollo de Aplicaciones, Tecnologías y Sistemas
DCM TRANS—Centro de Investigación y Desarrollo del Transporte
DEGOR—Empresa Militar Industrial Desembarco Del Granma
DSE—Departamento de Seguridad del Estado
Editorial Capitán San Luis Effective July 26, 2019
EMIAT—Empresa Importadora Exportadora de Abastecimientos Técnicos
Empresa Militar Industrial Astilleros Astimar
Empresa Militar Industrial Astilleros Centro
Empresa Militar Industrial Astilleros Granma
OIBS—Organización Integración para el Bienestar Social
PLAMEC—Empresa Militar Industrial Ignacio Agramonte
PNR—Polícia Nacional Revolucionaria
PROVARI—Empresa de Producciones Variadas
SEPSA—Servicios Especializados de Protección
SERTOD—Servicios de Telecomunicaciones a los Órganos de la Defensa Effective November 15, 2018
SIMPRO—Centro de Investigación y Desarrollo de Simuladores
TECAL—Empresa de Tecnologías Alternativas
TECNOPRO—Empresa Militar Industrial “G.B. Francisco Cruz Bourzac”
TECNOTEX—Empresa Cubana Exportadora e Importadora de Servicios, Artículos y Productos Técnicos Especializados
TGF—Tropas de Guardafronteras
UAM—Unión Agropecuaria Militar
ULAEX—Unión Latinoamericana de Explosivos
XETID—Empresa de Tecnologías de la Información Para La Defensa
YABO—Empresa Militar Industrial
Coronel Francisco Agüiar Rodríguez
Additional Subentities of CIMEX
ADESA/ASAT—Agencia Servicios Aduanales (Customs Services)
Cachito (Beverage Manufacturer)
Contex (Fashion)
Datamex
ECUSE—Empresa Cubana de Servicios Inmobiliarios CIMEX (Real Estate)
Inversiones CIMEX
Jupiter (Beverage Manufacturer)
La Mansión (Fashion)
Najita (Beverage Manufacturer)
Publicitaria Imagen (Advertising)
Residencial Tarara S.A. (Real Estate/Property Rental)
Ron Caney (Rum Production)
Ron Varadero (Rum Production)
Telecable (Satellite Television)
Tropicola (Beverage Manufacturer)
Zona Especializada de Logística y Comercio (ZELCOM)
Additional Subentities of GAESA
Aerogaviota Effective April 24, 2019
Almacenes Universales (AUSA)
ANTEX—Corporación Antillana Exportadora
Compañía Inmobiliaria Aurea S.A. Effective November 15, 2018
Dirección Integrada Proyecto Mariel (DIP)
Empresa Inmobiliaria Almest (Real Estate)
GRAFOS (Advertising)
RAFIN S.A. (Financial Services)
Sociedad Mercantil Inmobiliaria Caribe (Real Estate)
TECNOIMPORT
Terminal de Contenedores de la Habana (TCH)
Terminal de Contenedores de Mariel, S.A.
UCM—Unión de Construcciones Militares
Zona Especial de Desarrollo Mariel (ZEDM)
Zona Especial de Desarrollo y Actividades Logísticas (ZEDAL)
Additional Subentities of Gaviota
AT Comercial
Diving Center—Marina Gaviota Effective April 24, 2019
Gaviota Hoteles Cuba Effective March 12, 2019
Hoteles Habaguanex Effective March 12, 2019
Hoteles Playa Gaviota Effective March 12, 2019
Manzana de Gomez
Marinas Gaviota Cuba Effective March 12, 2019
PhotoService
Plaza La Estrella Effective November 15, 2018
Plaza Las Dunas Effective November 15, 2018
Plaza Las Morlas Effective November 15, 2018
Plaza Las Salinas Effective November 15, 2018
Plaza Las Terrazas del Avaradec
Effective November 15, 2018
Plaza Los Flamencos Effective November 15, 2018
Plaza Pesquero Effective November 15, 2018
Producciones TRIMAGEN S.A. (Tiendas Trimagen)
Additional Subentities of Habaguanex
Sociedad Mercantil Cubana Inmobiliaria Fenix S.A. (Real Estate)
* *Activities in parentheticals are intended to aid in identification but are only representative. All activities of listed entities and subentities are subject to the applicable prohibitions.* *
David Meale,
Senior Bureau Official, Bureau of Economic and Business Affairs, Department of State.
[FR Doc. 2019–25052 Filed 11–18–19; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 4710–19–P

DEPARTMENT OF STATE
[Public Notice 10949]
Notice of Charter Renewal of the Advisory Committee on International Postal and Delivery Services (IPoDS)

This notice announces the renewal of the charter or the Advisory Committee on International Postal and Delivery Services (IPoDS). In accordance with the provisions of the 2006 Postal Accountability and Enhancement Act (Pub. L. 109–435) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (Pub. L. 92–463), the Committee’s charter has been extended until November 14, 2021. The Department of State uses the IPoDS Committee to remain informed of the interests of users and providers of international postal and delivery services. The Assistant Secretary of State for International Organization Affairs appoints members of the committee, including representatives of the Department of Commerce, the Department of Homeland Security, the Office of the United States Trade Representative, the Postal Regulatory Commission, the Military Postal Service Agency, and the United States Postal Service.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Shereece Robinson of the Office of Specialized and Technical Agencies (IO/STA), Bureau of International Organization Affairs, U.S. Department of State, at tel. (202) 663–2649, by email at RobinsonSA@state.gov or by mail at IO/STA, L409 (SA1); Department of State, 2401 E Street NW; Washington, DC 20037.

Stephen P. Newhouse,
Designated Federal Officer, Advisory Committee on International Postal and Delivery Services, Department of State.
[FR Doc. 2019–25052 Filed 11–18–19; 8:45 am]
BILLING CODE 4710–19–P

OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE


AGENCY: Office of the United States Trade Representative.

ACTION: Notice of public hearing and request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Office of the United States Trade Representative (USTR) is announcing a hearing for the GSP country practice reviews of Azerbaijan, Ecuador, Georgia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Thailand, South Africa, and Uzbekistan, and the country designation review of Laos. These reviews will focus on whether: (1) Azerbaijan, Georgia, Kazakhstan, and Uzbekistan are meeting the GSP eligibility criterion requiring that a GSP beneficiary country afford workers in that country internationally recognized worker rights; (2) Ecuador is meeting the GSP eligibility criterion requiring a GSP beneficiary country to act in good faith in recognizing as binding or in enforcing applicable arbitral awards; (3) Indonesia and South Africa are meeting the GSP eligibility criterion requiring adequate and effective protection of intellectual property rights; (4) Indonesia and Thailand are meeting the GSP eligibility criterion requiring a GSP beneficiary country to provide equitable and reasonable access to its markets and basic commodity resources; and (5) Laos meets all of the GSP eligibility criteria.