

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.

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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 regulatory amendment to 15 CFR 746.2, notes BIS will generally deny certain applications to export or re-export items for use by entities or subentities identified on the 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://](https://www.state.gov/cuba-sanctions/cuba-restricted-list/)

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.
GAESA—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

- Meliá Marina Varadero Apartamentos
Effective April 24, 2019
- Meliá Peninsula Varadero
Memories Varadero
Naviti Varadero
Ocean Varadero El Patriarca
Ocean Vista Azul
Paradisus Princesa del Mar
Paradisus Varadero
Sol Sirenas Coral
- Hotels in Pinar del Rio*
- Hotel Villa Cabo de San Antonio
Hotel Villa Maria La Gorda y Centro
Internacional de Buceo
- Hotels in Baracoa*
- Hostal 1511
Hostal La Habanera
Hostal La Rusa
Hostal Rio Miel
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 Plana & Spa *Effective*
November 15, 2018
- La Salina Noreste *Effective November*
15, 2018
- La Salina Suroeste *Effective November*
15, 2018
- Meliá Buenavista
Meliá Cayo Santa María
Meliá Las Dunas
Memories Azul
Memories Flamenco
Memories Paraíso
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 Rio de Luna y Mares
Villa Cayo Naranja
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 Rio)
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 Muñecos de Leyenda
Tienda Museo El Reloj Cuervo y
Sobrinos
- Entities Directly Serving the Defense*
and Security Sectors
- ACERPROT—Agencia de Certificación y
Consultoría de Seguridad y Protección
alias Empresa de Certificación de
Sistemas de Seguridad y Protección
Effective November 15, 2018
- AGROMIN—Grupo Empresarial
Agropecuario del Ministerio del
Interior
- APCI—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 e Instrumentos Ópticos y
Ópticos Electrónicos
- CORCEL—Empresa Militar Industrial
Emilio Barcenás 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
- DÉGOR—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 Yuri Gagarin
- ETASE—Empresa de Transporte y
Aseguramiento
- Ferretería TRASVAL
- GELCOM—Centro de Investigación y
Desarrollo Grito de Baire
- Impresos de Seguridad
- MÉCATRONICS—Centro de
Investigación y Desarrollo de
Electrónica y Mecánica
- NAZCA—Empresa Militar Industrial
Granma
- OIBS—Organización Integración para el
Bienestar Social
- PLAMEC—Empresa Militar Industrial
Ignacio Agramonte
- PNR—Policía Nacional Revolucionaria
- PROVARI—Empresa de Producciones
Varias
- 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 Aguiar Rodríguez

Additional Subentities of CIMEX

ADESA/ASAT—Agencia Servicios Aduanales (Customs Services)
 Cachito (Beverage Manufacturer)
 Contex (Fashion)
 Datacimex
 ECUSE—Empresa Cubana de Servicios Inmobiliaria CIMEX (Real Estate)
 Inversiones CIMEX
 Jupiña (Beverage Manufacturer)
 La Maison (Fashion)
 Najita (Beverage Manufacturer)
 Publicitaria Imagen (Advertising)
 Residencial Tarara S.A. (Real Estate/Property Rental) *Effective November 15, 2018*
 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 Mercantín 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 Atardecer *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 parentheses are intended to aid in identification but are only representative. All activities of listed entities and subentities are subject to the applicable prohibitions.* * *

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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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.

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OFFICE OF THE UNITED STATES TRADE REPRESENTATIVE

Generalized System of Preferences (GSP): Notice Regarding a Hearing for Country Practice Reviews of Azerbaijan, Ecuador, Georgia, Indonesia, Kazakhstan, Thailand, South Africa, and Uzbekistan, and for the Country Designation Review of Laos

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