

members will participate in subcommittees that channel their feedback to the IRS through the Panel's parent committee.

The IRS is seeking applicants who have an interest in good government, a personal commitment to volunteer approximately 200 to 300 hours a year, and a desire to help improve IRS customer service. To the extent possible, the TAP Director will ensure that TAP membership is balanced and represents a cross-section of the taxpaying public with at least one member from each state, the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico in addition to one member representing international taxpayers. Potential candidates must be U.S. citizens and must pass an IRS tax compliance check and a Federal Bureau of Investigation background investigation. Federally-registered lobbyists cannot be members of the TAP.

TAP members are a diverse group of citizens who represent the interests of taxpayers from their respective geographic locations by providing feedback from a taxpayer's perspective on ways to improve IRS customer service and administration of the federal tax system, and by identifying grassroots taxpayer issues. Members should have good communication skills and be able to speak to taxpayers about the TAP and TAP activities, while clearly distinguishing between TAP positions and their personal viewpoints.

Interested applicants should visit the TAP Web site at [www.improveirs.org](http://www.improveirs.org) for more information about the TAP. To complete an on-line application visit [www.usajobs.gov](http://www.usajobs.gov) or call the TAP toll-free number, 1-888-912-1227, if they have questions about TAP membership. The opening date for submitting applications is March 9, 2015, and the deadline for submitting applications is April 19, 2015. Interviews may be held. The Department of the Treasury will review the recommended candidates and make final selections. New TAP members will serve a three-year term starting in December 2015. (Note: highly-ranked applicants not selected as members may be placed on a roster of alternates who will be eligible to fill future vacancies that may occur on the Panel.)

Questions regarding the selection of TAP members may be directed to Lisa Billups, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel, Internal Revenue Service, 1111 Constitution Avenue NW., TA:TAP Room 1509, Washington, DC 20224, or 214-413-6523 (not a toll-free call).

Dated: March 3, 2015.

**Otis Simpson,**  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Joint Committee

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Joint Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Wednesday, April 29, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Lisa Billups at 1-888-912-1227 or (214) 413-6523.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Joint Committee will be held Wednesday, April 29, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. Eastern Time via teleconference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. For more information please contact Lisa Billups at 1-888-912-1227 or 214-413-6523, or write TAP Office 1114 Commerce Street, Dallas, TX 75242-1021, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include various committee issues for submission to the IRS and other TAP related topics. Public input is welcomed.

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**Otis Simpson,**  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Taxpayer Communications Project Committee

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Taxpayer Communications Project Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Thursday, April 2, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Janice Spinks at 1-888-912-1227 or (206) 946-3006.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that an open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Taxpayer Communications Project Committee will be held Thursday, April 2, 2015, at 3:00 p.m. Eastern Time via teleconference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate must be made with Janice Spinks. For more information please contact: Janice Spinks at 1-888-912-1227 or 206-946-3006, or write TAP Office, 915 2nd Avenue, MS W-406, Seattle, WA 98174, or post comments to the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The committee will be discussing various issues related to Taxpayer Communications and public input is welcome.

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Internal Revenue Service

#### Open Meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Special Projects Committee

**AGENCY:** Internal Revenue Service (IRS), Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice of meeting.

**SUMMARY:** An open meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Special Projects Committee will be conducted. The Taxpayer Advocacy Panel is soliciting public comments, ideas, and suggestions on improving customer service at the Internal Revenue Service.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Thursday, April 2, 2015.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kim Vinci at 1-888-912-1227 or 916-974-5086.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Notice is hereby given pursuant to section 10(a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. (1988) that a meeting of the Taxpayer Advocacy Panel Special Projects Committee will be held Thursday, April 2, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. Eastern Time via teleconference. The public is invited to make oral comments or submit written statements for consideration. Due to limited conference lines, notification of intent to participate must be made with Kim Vinci. For more information please contact: Kim Vinci at 1-888-912-1227 or 916-974-5086, TAP Office, 4330 Watt Ave, Sacramento, CA 95821, or contact us at the Web site: <http://www.improveirs.org>.

The agenda will include a discussion on various special topics with IRS processes.

Dated: March 3, 2015.

**Otis Simpson,**

*Acting Director, Taxpayer Advocacy Panel.*  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Foreign Assets Control

#### Sanctions Actions Pursuant to Executive Orders 13382, 13572, 13573, 13582, and 13608

**AGENCY:** Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury Department.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of 37 persons whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to one or more of the following authorities: Executive Order (E.O.) 13382, E.O. 13572, E.O. 13573, and E.O. 13582. OFAC is also publishing the names of six persons upon which measures have also been imposed pursuant to E.O. 13608.

**DATES:** OFAC's actions described in this notice were effective December 17, 2014, October 16, 2014, July 9, 2014, and May 8, 2014, as further specified below.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Associate Director for Global Targeting, tel.: 202/622-2420, Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, tel.: 202/622-2490, Assistant Director for Licensing, tel.: 202/622-2480, Office of Foreign Assets Control, or Chief Counsel (Foreign Assets Control), tel.: 202/622-2410, Office of the General

Counsel, Department of the Treasury (not toll free numbers).

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Electronic and Facsimile Availability

The Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC's Web site ([www.treas.gov/ofac](http://www.treas.gov/ofac)). Certain general information pertaining to OFAC's sanctions programs is also available via facsimile through a 24-hour fax-on-demand service, tel.: 202/622-0077.

#### Notice of OFAC Actions

On December 17, 2014, OFAC blocked the property and interests in property of the following 11 persons pursuant to E.O. 13582, "Blocking Property of the Government of Syria and Prohibiting Certain Transactions with Respect to Syria":

#### Individuals

1. ABDULKARIM, Wael (a.k.a. ABDULKARIM, Mohammad Wael), Dubai, United Arab Emirates; DOB 1973; POB Damascus, Syria; nationality Syria; Managing Director, Pangates International Corp. Ltd.; General Manager, Pangates International Corp. Ltd.; Director, Abdulkarim Group (individual) [SYRIA] (Linked To: PANGATES INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION LIMITED; Linked To: ABDULKARIM GROUP)

2. BARQAWI, Ahmad (a.k.a. AL-BARQAWI, Ahmad; a.k.a. BARQAWI, Ahmad Abed Allah; a.k.a. BARQAWI, Ahmad Abedallah; a.k.a. BARQAWI, Ahmed; a.k.a. "BARQAWI, Hamodeh"), Dubai, United Arab Emirates; DOB 1985; POB Damascus, Syria; General Manager, Pangates International Corp. Ltd.; General Manager, Maxima Middle East Trading Co. (individual) [SYRIA] (Linked To: PANGATES INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION LIMITED; Linked To: MAXIMA MIDDLE EAST TRADING CO.)

3. BEKTAS, Halis; DOB 13 Feb 1966; citizen Switzerland; Passport X0906223 (Switzerland) (individual) [SYRIA] [FSE-SY]

4. HOLLEBRAND, Alexander (a.k.a. HOLLEBRAND, Sander); DOB 20 Dec 1954; POB Netherlands (individual) [SYRIA] [FSE-SY]

5. VAN MAZIJK, Paul; DOB 24 Jan 1958; Passport NSK7K05F4 (Netherlands) (individual) [SYRIA] [FSE-SY]

#### Entities

1. ABDULKARIM GROUP (a.k.a. ABD-AL-KARIM GROUP; a.k.a. ALKARIM FOR TRADE & INDUSTRY

L.L.C.; a.k.a. ALKARIM FOR TRADE AND INDUSTRY; a.k.a. MOHD. WAEL ABDULKARIM & PARTNERS CO.; a.k.a. WAEL ABDULKARIM AND PARTNERS), Abu Rumaneh, Ibn Al Haytham St., Besides Indian Embassy, Building No. 7, 1st Floor, Office No. 5, Damascus, Syria; Jaber Bin Hayan St. No. 162, Akkad & Sufi Bldg No. 1, 1st Floor, Damascus, Syria; P.O. Box 5797, Damascus, Syria; Adra-Tal El Kordi Triangle PC, Damascus 30693, Syria; Riyad El Solh Street, Beirut 12347, Lebanon; Web site [abdulkarimgroup.com](http://abdulkarimgroup.com) [SYRIA] (Linked To: PANGATES INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION LIMITED)

2. BLUEMARINE SA (a.k.a. BLUE MARINE SHIPPING AGENCY S.A.; a.k.a. BLUEMARINE AG; a.k.a. BLUEMARINE LTD), Lindenstrasse 2, Baar 6340, Switzerland [SYRIA] [FSE-SY]

3. MAXIMA MIDDLE EAST TRADING CO., P.O. Box 122925, Sharjah Airport International Free Zone, SAIF Lounge, Sharjah, United Arab Emirates; Suite 13, First Floor Oliaji Trade Centre, Francis Rachel Street, Victoria, Mahe, Seychelles [SYRIA] (Linked To: ABDULKARIM GROUP; Linked To: PANGATES INTERNATIONAL CORPORATION LIMITED)

4. RIXO INTERNATIONAL TRADING LTD., Lindenstrasse 2, Baar 6340, Switzerland; Web site [www.rixointernational.com](http://www.rixointernational.com) [SYRIA] [FSE-SY]

5. SKIRRON HOLDING SA (a.k.a. SKIRRON HOLDING AG), Lindenstrasse 2, Baar 6340, Switzerland [SYRIA]

6. STAROIL B.V. (a.k.a. STAROIL S.A.), Wilhelminastraat 43 A, Haarlem 2011 VK, Netherlands; 30 A Rte de Chene, Geneva 1208, Switzerland; Registration ID 819860578 (Netherlands); V.A.T. Number NL 819860578B01 (Netherlands); Commercial Registry Number 34311024 (Netherlands) [SYRIA] [FSE-SY]

Also on December 17, 2014, OFAC prohibited all transactions or dealings, whether direct or indirect, involving the following six persons, including any exporting, reexporting, importing, selling, purchasing, transporting, swapping, brokering, approving, financing, facilitating or guaranteeing, in or related to any (i) goods, services, or technology in or intended for the United States, or (ii) any goods, services, or technology provided by or to United States persons, wherever located, pursuant to E.O. 13608, "Prohibiting Certain Transactions With and Suspending Entry Into the United States