



## **Central African Republic**

### **Introduction**

1. The Central African Republic (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 (S.I. 2020/616) (“the regulations”) were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 (“the Sanctions Act”) and provide for the imposition of financial sanctions, namely the freezing of funds and economic resources of persons involved in the commission of a serious human rights violation or abuse, or a violation of international humanitarian law, in the Central African Republic; an attack against, or obstruction of the activities of diplomatic personnel, regional or international monitoring and peace-support missions and mechanisms, or personnel undertaking humanitarian assistance activity in the Central African Republic; obstruction of the delivery or distribution of, or access to, humanitarian assistance in the Central African Republic; the provision of support for armed groups or criminal networks in the Central African Republic; or any other action, policy or activity which undermines or threatens the peace, stability and security of the Central African Republic.
2. On 13/06/2024 the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office updated the UK Sanctions List on GOV.UK. This list provides details of those designated under regulations made under the Sanctions Act. A link to the UK Sanctions List can be found below.
3. Following the publication of the UK Sanctions List, information on the Consolidated List has been updated.

### **Notice summary**

4. The following entries have been added to the Consolidated List and are now subject to an asset freeze.

- DIAMVILLE (Group ID: 16505)
- WOOD INTERNATIONAL GROUP SARLU (Group ID: 16512)

### **What you must do**

#### 5. You must:

- i. check whether you maintain any accounts or hold any funds or economic resources for the persons set out in the Annex to this Notice and any entities owned or controlled by them;
- ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources;
- iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or economic resources or making them available directly or indirectly to or for the benefit of designated persons unless licensed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI) or if an exception applies;
- iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with the information or other matter on which the knowledge or suspicion is based. Where the information relates to funds or economic resources, the nature and quantity should also be reported.

6. Information received by OFSI may be disclosed to third parties in accordance with provisions set out in the Information and Records part of the regulations and in compliance with applicable data protection laws.

7. Failure to comply with UK financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions may be a criminal offence.

### **Further Information**

8. Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Central African Republic financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases>.

9. Further details on the UN measures in respect of the Central African Republic can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage:

<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/information>.

10. The UN Consolidated List can be found here:  
<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/list-updates-unsc-consolidated-list>.
11. The Consolidated List can be found here:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets>.
12. The UK Sanctions List can be found here:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list>.
13. The Compliance Reporting Form can be found here:  
<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/suspected-breach-of-financial-sanctions-what-to-do>.
14. For more information please see our financial sanctions guidance:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-faqs>.

## **Enquiries**

15. Non-media enquiries about the implementation of financial sanctions in the UK should be addressed to:
- Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation  
HM Treasury  
1 Horse Guards Road  
London  
SW1A 2HQ  
[ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk](mailto:ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk).
16. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to:  
[fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk](mailto:fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk).
17. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
18. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

## ANNEX TO NOTICE

### FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC

#### THE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2020

#### ADDITIONS

##### Entities

##### 1. DIAMVILLE

**Address:** Central African Republic. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):CAF0025. (UK Statement of Reasons):DIAMVILLE is an involved person under the Central African Republic (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 because it is associated with a person, namely the Wagner Group, which has been involved in the commission of violations of international humanitarian law in the Central African Republic, including the deliberate targeting of civilians. **Listed on:** 13/06/2024 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 13/06/2024 **Last Updated:** 13/06/2024 **Group ID:** 16505.

##### 2. WOOD INTERNATIONAL GROUP SARLU

**a.k.a:** (1) Bois Rouge (2) Bois Rouge Sarlu (3) WIG **Address:** 4ème Ardt, Gobongo 6, Kangamongoulo, Bangui, Central African Republic. **Other Information:** (UK Sanctions List Ref):CAF0026. (UK Statement of Reasons):WIG is an involved person under the Central African Republic (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 as 1) it is associated with, a person who has been involved in a relevant activity, namely the Wagner Group. The Wagner Group is involved with policy or activity which undermines or threatens the peace, stability and security of the Central African Republic. 2) WIG is or has been involved with policy or activity which undermines or threatens the peace, stability and security of the Central African Republic. (Type of entity):Logging company (Business Reg No):SRN - CA/BG/2019B520 **Listed on:** 13/06/2024 **UK Sanctions List Date Designated:** 13/06/2024 **Last Updated:** 13/06/2024 **Group ID:** 16512.

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