

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury

Financial Sanctions Notice

07/11/2024

Chemical Weapons

Introduction

- 1. The Chemical Weapons (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/618) 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 who are or have been involved in a prohibited activity related to chemical weapons.
- On 7 November 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 entry been added to the Consolidated List and is now subject to an asset freeze:
 - Denis SERGEEV (Group ID: 16680)

What you must do

5. You must:

- 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 Chemical Weapons financial sanctions page on the GOV.UK website:

 https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-
 - consolidated-lists-and-releases.
- 9. The Consolidated List can be found here:

 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-consolidated-list-of-targets/consolidated-list-of-targets.
- The UK Sanctions List can be found here:
 https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-uk-sanctions-list.

11. The Compliance Reporting Form can be found here: https://www.gov.uk/guidance/suspected-breach-of-financial-sanctions-what-to-do.

12. For more information please see our financial sanctions guidance:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-faqs.

Enquiries

13. 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.

- 14. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: fcdo.correspondence@fcdo.gov.uk.
- 15. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 16. 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: CHEMICAL WEAPONS THE CHEMICAL WEAPONS (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019

ADDITION

Individual

1. SERGEEV, Denis

Name (non-Latin script): Денис Сергеев

DOB: 17/09/1973. a.k.a: SERGEEV, Denis, Sergey, Fedotov Nationality: Russia Passport Number: 45 15257657 Position: An officer of senior rank, possibly Major General, serving in the Russian Military Intelligence Service (GRU) Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): CHW0029. (UK Statement of Reasons): Denis SERGEEV is an involved person under the Chemical Weapons (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 on the basis that he has been responsible for, engaging in, providing support for, or promoting prohibited activity related to chemical weapons. Specifically, SERGEEV provided support in the preparation and use of the chemical weapon Novichok in Salisbury on 4 March 2018, and provided a coordinating role in London on the weekend of the attack. (Gender): Male Listed on: 07/11/2024 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 07/11/2024 Last Updated: 07/11/2024 Group ID: 16680.

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