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II

(Non-legislative acts)

REGULATIONS

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2022/2228

of 14 November 2022

implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/1542 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2018/1542 of 15 October 2018 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 12 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 15 October 2018, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2018/1542.
- (2) On 20 August 2020, Alexei Navalny, a prominent opposition leader in Russia, was poisoned with a toxic military-grade nerve agent of the Novichok group, as confirmed by specialised laboratories in Germany, France and Sweden, as well as by the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). This poisoning constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction (the 'Chemical Weapons Convention') and a serious breach of international law. The Union reiterates its strong concerns that the Russian Federation has not reacted to international calls for a thorough and transparent investigation into the assassination attempt against Alexei Navalny.
- (3) The Union has strongly condemned the use of chemical weapons by Syria and its failure to respect its international obligations under the Chemical Weapons Convention, as substantiated through comprehensive and thorough investigations carried out by the United Nations and the OPCW. The Union has raised these concerns in various fora and urges Syria to return to full compliance with the Chemical Weapons Convention.
- (4) In that context, and in view of the continued threat posed by the proliferation and use of chemical weapons, ten persons and one entity should be included in the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2018/1542.
- (5) Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2018/1542 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2018/1542 is amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 259, 16.10.2018, p. 12.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2022.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

The following persons and entity are added under the heading 'List of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies referred to in Article 2' in Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2018/1542:

A. NATURAL PERSONS

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
'16.	Alexey Alexandrovich ALEXANDROV (Алексей Александрович АЛЕКСАНДРОВ) a.k.a. Alexey Andreevich FROLOV (Алексей Андреевич ФРОЛОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 16.6.1981 or 16.6.1980; Nationality: Russian	Alexey Alexandrov is an agent of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) working as a Criminalistics Institute operative. In that capacity, he was directly involved in the preparations for and the execution of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Alexey Alexandrov was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons as well as in the use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
17.	Vladimir Alexandrovich PANYAEV (Владимир Александрович ПАНЯЕВ) a.k.a. Vladimir ALEXEEV (Владимир АЛЕКСЕЕВ) a.k.a. Vladimir ALEXEYEV (Владимир АЛЕКСЕЕВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 25.11.1980; Place of birth: Serdobsk, Russian Federation; Nationality: Russian	Vladimir Panyaev is an agent of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) working as a Criminalistics Institute operative. In that capacity, he was directly involved in the preparations for and the execution of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Vladimir Panyaev was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons as well as in the use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
18.	Ivan Vladimirovich OSIPOV (Иван Владимирович ОСИПОВ) a.k.a. Ivan Vasilyevich SPIRIDONOV (Иван Васильевич СПИРИДОНОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 21.8.1976 or 21.8.1975; Nationality: Russian	Ivan Osipov is an agent of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) working as a Criminalistics Institute operative. In that capacity, he was directly involved in the preparations for and the execution of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Ivan Osipov was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons as well as in the use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
19.	Artur Aleksandrovich ZHIROV (Артур Александрович ЖИРОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 6.7.1961; Nationality: Russian	Artur Zhirov is a chemical weapons expert and Director of SC Signal, a research institute that has been linked to Russia's chemical weapons program. As Director of SC Signal, Artur Zhirov provided technical support to operations against Yulia Navalnaya and Alexei Navalny that took place in Kaliningrad on 6 July 2020 and to the planning of the subsequent poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Artur Zhirov was engaged in preparations for the use of chemical weapons and he provided technical and material support for using chemical weapons.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
20.	Kirill Yurievich VASILIEV (Кирилл Юрьевич ВАСИЛЬЕВ) a.k.a. Kirill VASILYEV (Кирилл ВАСИЛЬЕВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 22.2.1973; Nationality: Russian; Tax-ID No.: 773721109701 (Russia)	General Kirill Vasiliev is the Director of the Criminalistics Institute of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB), which conducted operations to closely monitor the activities of Alexei Navalny over a long period of time, including during his journey to Tomsk where he was poisoned with a Novichok-type nerve on 20 August 2020. That poisoning constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Kirill Vasiliev, in his capacity as Director of the Criminalistics Institute of the FSB, provided the operational framework and direction to conduct the surveillance and the assassination attempt against Alexei Navalny. Therefore, he was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons, he is responsible for the use of chemical weapons and he provided technical and material support for using chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
21.	Konstantin Borisovich KUDRYAVTSEV (Константин Борисович КУДРЯВЦЕВ) a.k.a. Konstantin Yevgenievich SOKOLOV (Константин Евгеньевич СОКОЛОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 28.4.1980 or 28.4.1981; Nationality: Russian	Konstantin Kudryavtsev is a chemical weapons expert and an agent of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) working as a Criminalistics Institute operative. In that capacity, he was directly involved in the preparations for and the clean-up operations of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Furthermore, he admitted to his involvement in at least one other poisoning attempt against Navalny in 2017. Therefore, Konstantin Kudryavtsev was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons as well as in the use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
22.	Stanislav Valentinovich МАКШАКОВ (Станислав Валентинович МАКШАКОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 1966; Nationality: Russian	Stanislav Makshakov is a military scientist and Deputy Director of the Criminalistics Institute of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB), which conducted operations to closely monitor the activities of Alexei Navalny over a long period of time. In his capacity as Deputy Director of the Criminalistics Institute, Stanislav Makshakov was the commander of the team of operatives involved in the preparations and execution of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Stanislav Makshakov was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons, he is responsible for the use of chemical weapons and he provided technical and material support for using chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
23.	Vladimir Mikhaylovich BOGDANOV (Владимир Михайлович БОГДАНОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 17.7.1958; Place of birth: Moscow, Russian Federation; Nationality: Russian	Vladimir Bogdanov is the Head of Special Technology Centre of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB), which is the parent entity of the Criminalistics Institute. In that capacity, Vladimir Bogdanov oversees and controls the activities of those entities. The FSB conducted operations to closely monitor the activities of Alexei Navalny over a long period of time, including during his journey to Tomsk where Navalny was poisoned with a Novichok-type nerve on 20 August 2020. That poisoning constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Vladimir Bogdanov, in his capacity as the Head of Special Technology Centre of the FSB, provided the operational framework and direction to conduct the surveillance and the assassination attempt against Alaxey Navalny. Therefore, he was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons, he is responsible for the use of chemical weapons and he provided technical and material support for using chemical weapons.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
24.	Chadi HOURANIEH	Gender: male; Date of birth: 29.5.1979; Place of birth: Damascus, Syria; Nationality: Canadian	Chadi Houranieh is the co-owner of MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co company, which operates in the metals industry and supplies the Syrian Studies and Research Centre (SSRC) with materials used in the manufacture of chemical weapons delivery systems. Therefore, Chadi Houranieh is responsible for providing material support for manufacturing chemical weapons and is engaged in preparations for the use of chemical weapons and thus contributes to the continued threat posed by the proliferation and use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
25.	Mohammad Nazier HOURANIEH	Gender: male; Date of birth: 6.5.1976; Place of birth: Damascus, Syria; Nationality: Canadian	Mohammad Nazier Houranieh is the co-owner of MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co company, which operates in the metals industry and supplies the Syrian Studies and Research Centre (SSRC) with materials used in the manufacture of chemical weapons delivery systems. Therefore, Mohammad Nazier Houranieh is responsible for providing material support for manufacturing chemical weapons and is engaged in preparations for the use of chemical weapons and thus contributes to the continued threat posed by the proliferation and use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022'

B. LEGAL PERSONS, ENTITIES AND BODIES

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
'3.	MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co	<p>Address: Zoukak AlJin Abed Al Rahman Bn Al Kassem Street. Damascus, Syria;</p> <p>Phone: (+963) 11-2210758, (+963) 11-2224349;</p> <p>Fax: (+963) 11-2235892;</p> <p>Web: https://houranieh.com/</p> <p>Email: info@houranieh.com</p>	<p>MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co is a company operating in the metals industry and supplies the Syrian Studies and Research Centre (SSRC) with materials used in the manufacture of chemical weapons delivery systems.</p> <p>Therefore, MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co provides material support for manufacturing chemical weapons and is engaged in preparations for the use of chemical weapons and thus contributes to the continued threat posed by the proliferation and use of chemical weapons.</p>	14.11.2022'

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2022/2229**of 14 November 2022****implementing Regulation (EU) No 269/2014 concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 269/2014 of 17 March 2014 concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 14(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 17 March 2014, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) No 269/2014.
- (2) The Union remains unwavering in its support for Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity.
- (3) The Iranian regime provides military support for Russia's unprovoked and unjustified war of aggression against Ukraine. On 20 October 2022, the Council adopted Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1985 ⁽²⁾.
- (4) In view of the gravity of the situation, the Council considers that two individuals and two entities involved in the development and delivery of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles to Russia should be added to the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 269/2014.
- (5) Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 269/2014 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 269/2014 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 78, 17.3.2014, p. 6.

⁽²⁾ Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1985 of 20 October 2022 implementing Regulation (EU) No 269/2014 concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine (OJ L 272 I, 20.10.2022, p. 1).

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2022.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

ANNEX

The following persons and entities are added to the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 269/2014:

Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Statement of Reasons	Date of listing
'1266.	Hossein SALAMI حسین سلامی	DOB: 1960 POB: Golpayagan, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: Male Rank: Major-General Position: Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps	Major-General Hossein Salami is the Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, which supervises the development of Iran's Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) programme as well as the transfer of UAVs abroad. In this capacity, Major-General Hossein Salami is responsible for UAV-related defence cooperation, including the supply of UAVs to the Russian Federation for their use in the war of aggression against Ukraine. Therefore, Major-General Hossein Salami is responsible for supporting actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	14.11.2022
1267.	Amir Ali HAJIZADEH امیر علی حاجیزاده (a.k.a. Amir Ali Haji ZADEH)	DOB: 28.2.1962 POB: Tehran, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: Male Rank: Brigadier-General Position: Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps - Aerospace Force	Brigadier-General Amir Ali Hajizadeh is the Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps - Aerospace Force, which supervises the development of Iran's Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) programme as well as the transfer of UAVs abroad. In this capacity, Amir Ali Hajizadeh is responsible for UAV-related defence cooperation, including the supply of UAVs to the Russian Federation for their use in the war of aggression against Ukraine. Therefore, Brigadier-General Amir Ali Hajizadeh is responsible for supporting actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	14.11.2022'

Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Statement of Reasons	Date of listing
'120.	Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps - Aerospace Force (IRGC ASF) نیروی هوافضای سپاه پاسداران انقلاب سلامی (a.k.a. IRGC Air Force)		The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps - Aerospace Force (IRGC ASF) is responsible for the development of Iran's Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) programme, including the Shahed-136 and Mohajer-6, which are used by the Russian Federation in the war of aggression against Ukraine. As the primary operator of Iran's fleet of UAVs, the IRGC ASF has an important role in the supply of drones to international allies of Iran, including the Russian Federation. Therefore, the IRGC ASF is responsible for supporting materially actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	14.11.2022
121.	Qods Aviation Industries صنایع هوایی قدس (a.k.a. Qods Aeronautics Industries)		Qods Aviation Industries is an Iranian company that designs and manufactures Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs). It is a subsidiary of the Iran Aviation Industries Organization (IAIO), a state-owned enterprise subordinate to the Iranian Ministry of Defence and Armed Forces Logistics (MODAFL). Qods Aviation Industries produces Mohajer-6 drones, which were supplied to the Russian Federation and used in the war of aggression against Ukraine. Therefore, Qods Aviation Industries is responsible for supporting materially actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	14.11.2022'

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2022/2230**of 14 November 2022****implementing Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Iran**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 of 12 April 2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Iran ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 12(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 12 April 2011, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) No 359/2011.
- (2) On 25 September 2022, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy issued a declaration on behalf of the Union deploring the widespread and disproportionate use of force by the Iranian security forces against nonviolent protestors, which led to high numbers of deaths and injuries. The declaration also stated that those responsible for the killing of Mahsa Amini must be held accountable and called on the Iranian authorities to ensure transparent and credible investigations to clarify the number of deaths and persons arrested, to release all non-violent protestors and to provide due process to all detainees. Furthermore, the declaration stressed that Iran's decision to severely restrict internet access and block instant messaging platforms blatantly violates freedom of expression. Finally, the declaration stated that the Union will consider all the options at its disposal to address the killing of Mahsa Amini and the way Iranian security forces have responded to the ensuing demonstrations.
- (3) On 17 October 2022, the Council adopted Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1955 ⁽²⁾, including eleven persons and four entities in the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 for their involvement in serious human rights violations in Iran.
- (4) In that context, and in line with the Union's commitment to address all issues of concern with Iran, including the human rights situation, one person should be included in the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011.
- (5) Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 is amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 100, 14.4.2011, p. 1.

⁽²⁾ Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/1955 of 17 October 2022 implementing Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Iran (OJ L 269 I, 17.10.2022, p. 1).

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2022.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

ANNEX

The following person is added to the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011:

Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
'107.	VAHIDI Ahmad احمد وحیدی	POB: Shiraz (Iran) DOB: 27 July 1958 Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Position: Minister of Interior	<p>Ahmad Vahidi has been the Iranian Minister of Interior since 25 August 2021. As such, he is responsible for Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF).</p> <p>Since he took office, an unprecedented number of military and security officials have been appointed to provincial governorships who play key roles in coordinating crowd-control activities by police special forces, the Basij militia and the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC).</p> <p>Blatant and severe human rights violations by the LEF, such as the indiscriminate shooting with live ammunition at peaceful protesters, including children, have been widely documented since protests surrounding the death of Mahsa Amini started in mid-September 2022. Over 70 protesters died and hundreds were seriously injured, including children. Since the beginning of the demonstrations, police forces have also arbitrarily detained numerous human rights defenders and journalists. Vahidi has also publicly advocated for a harsh approach towards persons participating in the demonstrations.</p> <p>He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.</p>	14.11.2022'

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2022/2231**of 14 November 2022****implementing Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Iran**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 of 12 April 2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons, entities and bodies in view of the situation in Iran ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 12(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 12 April 2011, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) No 359/2011.
- (2) On 25 September 2022, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy issued a declaration on behalf of the Union deploring the widespread and disproportionate use of force by the Iranian security forces against nonviolent protestors, which use of force led to high numbers of deaths and injuries. The declaration also spelled out that those responsible for the killing of Mahsa Amini must be held accountable and called on the Iranian authorities to ensure transparent and credible investigations to clarify the number of deaths and arrested, release all non-violent protestors and to provide due process to all detainees. Furthermore, the declaration stressed that Iran's decision to severely restrict internet access and block instant messaging platforms blatantly violates freedom of expression. Finally, the declaration stated that the Union would consider all the options at its disposal to address the killing of Mahsa Amini and the way Iranian security forces responded to the ensuing demonstrations.
- (3) In that context, and in line with the Union's commitment to address all issues of concern with Iran, including the human rights situation, 28 persons and three entities should be included in the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011.
- (4) Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011 is amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 100, 14.4.2011, p. 1.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2022.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

The following persons and entities are added to the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies set out in Annex I to Regulation (EU) No 359/2011:

Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
'108.	ABNOUSH Salar سالار آبنوش	DOB: 2.5.1962 POB: Hamedan, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: Deputy Commander of the Basij Resistance Force	Salar Abnoush is the Deputy Commander of the Basij Resistance Force (EU-listed). The Basij is a volunteer paramilitary organisation operating under the IRGC with branches throughout Iran. It is charged with channelling popular support for the Iranian regime. The Basij is notorious for its recruitment of volunteers, many of them teenage children, and for human wave attacks during the Iran-Iraq war. After the contested 2009 Iranian presidential elections, the Basij brutally quashed protests and attacked student dormitories. The Basij has two missions: to provide defensive military training to protect the regime against foreign invasion, and to suppress domestic anti-regime activity through street violence and intimidation. The Basij is one of the forces ordered by the government to quell the September/October 2022 protests. It injured and killed several protesters. Sources indicate that Basij members under Salar Abnoush's command have committed serious human rights violations in Iran. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
109.	REZAEI Qasem (a.k.a. REZAEI Ghasem) رضایی قاسم	DOB: 27.9.1961 POB: Abhar, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male National ID No.: D10005996 (Iran) Function: Deputy Commander of the Law Enforcement Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran (LEF)	Qasem Rezaei is the Deputy Commander of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). He directly supervised acts of violence against detainees, including torture and beatings. He justified the actions of the security forces in the wake of the deadly use of force against Iranian protesters and called for continued violence against protesters in May 2022. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
110.	AMANOLLAHI Manouchehr (a.k.a. AMANOLLAHI BAHARVAND Manouchehr) منوچهر امن اللهی	DOB: March 1965 or 1966 POB: Khorramabad, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: Commander of the Law Enforcement Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran (LEF) in the province of Chaharmahal and Bakhtiari	Manouchehr Amanollahi is the Commander of the EU-listed Law Enforcement Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran (LEF) in the province of Chaharmahal and Bakhtiari. During his tenure, the LEF suppressed protests in 2021 in the province in response to a lack of water, and in 2022 in response to food rationing. LEF units under Amanollahi's command used live ammunition against protestors when suppressing the protests, resulting in multiple deaths. As an advisor to LEF leadership, Amanollahi was also involved in the LEF's response to nationwide protests in November 2019, which resulted in the deaths of hundreds of protestors. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
111.	HEIDARI Kiyumars (a.k.a. HEYDARI Kiyumars, HEYDARI Amir Kyomarth) حیدری کیومرث	DOB: 1964 POB: Kermanshah, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: Commander of the Iranian Army Ground Forces	Brigadier-General Kiyumars Heidari is the Commander of the Iranian Army's Ground Forces and directly reports to the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran. He has publicly admitted to his and his force's involvement in the violent response to the November 2019 protests, which led to the death of hundreds of protestors. Blatant and severe human rights violations by the forces, such as indiscriminate shooting with live ammunition at peaceful protesters – including children – have been widely documented since protests surrounding the death of Mahsa Amini started mid-September 2022. Over 70 protestors died and hundreds were seriously injured. Army Ground Forces, which are under the control of Heidari, have been involved in suppressing the protests and have killed at least one person. Heidari himself stated that his forces have been used to deal with the 2022 protests. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
112.	MAJID Vahid Mohammad Naser وحید مجید	DOB: 15.8.1964 POB: Isfahan, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male National ID No.: 3874409929 (Iran) Function: Head of the Iranian Cyber Police	Vahid Mohammad Naser Majid is head of the Iranian Cyber Police (EU-listed). The Iranian Cyber Police influences and restricts internet access in Iran and arbitrarily arrests people for expressing online criticism of the Iranian regime. The Cyber Police is engaged in a nationwide series of arrests and prosecutions. It lends support to the Iranian regime in its violent response to nationwide protests against people who speak up in defence of their legitimate rights. In his function as Head of the Iranian Cyber Police, Vahid Mohammad Naser Majid is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
113.	NEJAT Hossein (a.k.a. ZIBAYINEJAD Mohammad-Hosseini) حسین نجات	DOB: 1955 POB: Shiraz, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: Deputy Commander of Sarallah (a.k.a. Tharullah, Thar-Allah, Tharallah, Tharallollah)	Brigadier-General Hossein Nejat has been the Deputy Commander of Sarallah, an IRGC-linked, Tehran-based dedicated security apparatus of the Iranian state since 21 June 2020. Sarallah is essential to Tehran's security, as the headquarters is responsible for protecting the capital and governmental institutions against any threats such as coups or anti-government protests. Sarallah troops under the direct command of Nejat are tasked with quelling anti-government protests, including the violent suppressing of peaceful protests in 2022. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
114.	MAROUFI Hossein حسین معروفی	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: General Function: Deputy Head of Mobilisation of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in the Sistan and Baluchestan province	General Sardar Hossein Maroufi is the Deputy Head of Mobilisation of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in the Sistan and Baluchestan province. As such, he is a leading IRGC member in this province. The Sistan and Baluchestan province has seen some of the most violent crackdowns by Iranian security forces, including IRGC forces, during the 2022 protest wave. On 30 September 2022, the province capital Zahedan witnessed “bloody Friday”, when security forces opened fire on a protest forming around Friday prayer. It is estimated that at least 70 protestors were shot and killed. Since then, violence against participants in later protests has continued. Sardar Hossein Maroufi is among those responsible for the IRGC’s violence against protestors in Sistan and Baluchestan province, in particular around “bloody Friday”. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
115.	ABSALAN Parviz آبسالان پرویز	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: General Function: Deputy Head of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province	General Parviz Absalan is the Deputy Head of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province. The IRGC is a central element of the Iranian security forces in that province, where it is also called the “Salman army”. The security forces in Sistan and Baluchestan province have been using brutal violence against peaceful protestors in the round of protests in the autumn of 2022, including against children. As Deputy Head of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province, Parviz Absalan is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
116.	SHAFahi Ahmad (a.k.a. SHAFai Ahmad) احمد شفاهی	DOB: 21.5.1968 Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier General Function: commander and public relations officer of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province	Brigadier General Ahmad Shafahi is a commander of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province, and is responsible for public relations. The IRGC is a central element of the Iranian security forces in that province, where it is also called the “Salman army”. The security forces in Sistan and Baluchestan province have been using brutal violence against peaceful protestors in the round of protests in the autumn of 2022, including against children. As commander of the IRGC in the Sistan and Baluchestan Province, Sardar Ahmed Shafahi is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
117.	KOCHZAEI Ebrahim (a.k.a. KOCHZAI Ebrahim, KOCHAKZAEI Ebrahim) کوچزایی ابراهیم	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: head of Iran’s Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Chabahar in Sistan and Baluchestan province	Colonel Ebrahim Kochzaei is the head of Iran’s Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Chabahar in Sistan and Baluchestan province. The security forces in Sistan and Baluchestan province, including in Chabahar, have been using brutal violence against peaceful protestors in the round of protests in the autumn of 2022, including against children. Kochzaei is also named as the perpetrator of the rape of a 15-year old girl in September 2022, who was held in police custody in Chabahar. Ebrahim Kochzaei is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
118.	TAHERI Ahmad طاهری احمد	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Sistan and Baluchestan province	Brigadier-General Ahmed Taheri is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the Sistan and Baluchestan province of Iran. The security forces in Sistan and Baluchestan province have been using brutal violence against peaceful protestors in the round of protests in the autumn of 2022, including against children. As the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Sistan and Baluchestan province, Ahmed Taheri is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
119.	HOSSEINI Seyed Sadegh سید صادق حسینی	DOB: 1963 or 1964 POB: Dehloran, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: General Function: head of the IRGC in Kurdistan province	General Seyed Sadegh Hosseini is the head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in Kurdistan province. Kurdistan province has seen severe violence by Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, against the 2022 protest wave. Moreover, the IRGC uses Kurdistan province as a base to conduct military operations against Iraqi Kurdistan, which led to the death of more than a dozen non-combatants. Seyed Sadegh Hosseini is among those responsible for the IRGC violence against protestors in Kurdistan province. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
120.	RAJABPOUR Sereng Hossein رجبپور سرنگ حسین	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: commander of the Beit al-Maqdis force (IRGC in Kurdistan) in the city of Sanandaj	Colonel Sereng Hossein Rajabpour is the commander of the Beit al-Maqdis force (IRGC in Kurdistan) in the city of Sanandaj in the province of Kurdistan. Kurdistan province has seen severe violence by Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, against the 2022 protest wave, especially in the city of Sanandaj. Sereng Hossein Rajabpour is among those responsible for the violence against protestors in Kurdistan province. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

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121.	ASL Gholamhossein Mohammadi اصل غلامحسین محمدی	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: head of the IRGC in Ardabil province	Gholamhossein Mohammadi Asl is the head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in Ardabil province – a province with an Azeri ethnic minority. Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, committed serious human rights violations in Ardabil province during the 2022 protests. Reports show that an Iranian schoolgirl named Asra Panahi was beaten to death by security forces for refusing to sing the pro-regime anthem. Gholamhossein Mohammadi Asl is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
122.	ABDI Shakar عبدی شکار	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: deputy head of the IRGC in Ardabil province	Colonel Shakar Abdi is the deputy head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in Ardabil province – a province with an Azeri ethnic minority. Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, committed serious human rights violations in Ardabil province during the 2022 protests. Reports show that an Iranian schoolgirl named Asra Panahi was beaten to death by security forces for refusing to sing the pro-regime anthem. Shakar Abdi is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
123.	HASSANZADEH Hasan حسنزاده حسن	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier General Function: head of the IRGC in Tehran province	Brigadier General Hasan Hassanzadeh is the head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in Tehran province. Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, committed serious human rights violations in Tehran province during the 2022 protests. Hasan Hassanzadeh is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
124.	AGHAEI Morteza Mir (a.k.a. MIRAGHAEI Morteza) آقای مرتضا میر	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: head of the Basij in the city of Sanandaj	Colonel Morteza Mir Aghaei is the head of the Basij in the city of Sanandaj in the province of Kurdistan. Iranian security forces, including the IRGC and its Basij, committed serious human rights violations in Sanandaj during the 2022 protests. Morteza Mir Aghaei is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
125.	MOHAMMADIAN Abbas-Ali محمدیان عباس-علی	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Alborz (Karaj) province	Abbas-Ali Mohammadian has been the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Alborz (Karaj) province since 2017. Alborz (Karaj) is a province where major demonstrations have been taking place since September 2022 that have been met with excessive police violence. Security forces have frequently shot directly at peaceful protestors, leading to many deaths, including of children. As head of the LEF in Alborz (Karaj) province, Abbas-Ali Mohammadian is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
126.	JAHANBAKHSR Rahim جهانبخش رحیم	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in West Azerbaijan province	Brigadier-General Rahim Jahanbakhsh is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in West Azerbaijan province. West Azerbaijan is a province where major demonstrations have been taking place since September 2022 that have been met with excessive police violence. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
127.	SHEIKHNEJAD Hassan شیخنژاد حسن	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Urumeh (a. k.a. Ouroumieh), the capital of West Azerbaijan province.	Colonel Hassan Sheikhnejad is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Urumeh, the capital of West Azerbaijan province. In Urumeh, Iranian security forces committed serious human rights violations during the 2022 protests. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
128.	SAADATI Mahmoud سعادتى محمود	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Zahedan in Sistan and Baluchestan province	Colonel Mahmoud Saadati is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Zahedan in Sistan and Baluchestan province. In Zahedan, Iranian security forces committed serious human rights violations during the 2022 protests. Mahmoud Saadati is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
129.	MIRZAI Morteza ميرزای مرتضا	POB: Khorram Abad, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Mazandaran province.	Brigadier-General Morteza Mirzai is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Mazandaran province. In Mazandaran province, Iranian security forces committed serious human rights violations during the 2022 protests. Morteza Mirzai is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

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130.	MALIKI Azizullah عزیز الله ملکى	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: General Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Gilan province	General Azizullah Maliki is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Gilan province. In 2022, Azizullah Maliki directed the violent crackdown against the protests in Gilan province. He was vocal in the media, vehemently defending the violent reaction of the security forces to the protests in September and October 2022. As head of the LEF in Gilan province, Azizullah Maliki is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
131.	MORADI Ali-Reza مرادى على-رضا	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Sanandaj	Ali-Reza Moradi has been the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Sanandaj in Kurdistan province since December 2018. In that position, Ali-Reza Moradi reports to the general staff of the armed forces in Iran, directly under the authority of the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Moradi has been responsible for the mass arrest of protesters and ordered the use of lethal weapons against unarmed protesters during the November 2019 nationwide protests in Sanandaj, which resulted in the death of at least two protesters. Blatant and severe human rights violations by the police forces in Sanandaj, such as the indiscriminate shooting with live ammunition at peaceful protesters – including children, have been documented since protests surrounding the death of Mahsa Amini started mid-September 2022. Moradi has also publicly advocated a harsh approach towards persons participating in the demonstrations. Since the beginning of the 2022 demonstrations, police forces have arbitrarily detained numerous human rights defenders and journalists. Ali-Reza Moradi is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
132.	RAFIEI Enayatollah رفیعی عنایت‌الله	DOB: 1970 Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Captain Function: commander of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini	<p>Captain Enayatollah Rafiei is a member of the Morality Police (EU-listed), an Islamic religious police that is part of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). He is the commander of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini.</p> <p>On 13 September 2022, Rafiei and three other members of his squad arbitrarily arrested 22-year old Mahsa Amini in Tehran, allegedly for wearing a hijab improperly. She was subsequently taken to the Morality Police's headquarters for an "educational and orientation class". According to reliable reports and witnesses, she was brutally beaten and mistreated in custody, which led to her hospitalisation and death on 16 September 2022. The Morality Police's abusive behaviour is not confined to this incident and has been widely documented.</p> <p>As commander of the squad, Captain Enayatollah Rafiei is responsible for Amini's death and is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.</p>	14.11.2022
133.	KHOSHNAMEVAND Ali خوشناموند علی	DOB: 1995 POB: Khoshnamvand, (Khushnamvand) in the Kouhdasht district of Lorestan province in western Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Sergeant Function: Member of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini	<p>Sergeant Ali Khoshnamvand is a member of the Morality Police (EU-listed), an Islamic religious police that is part of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). He is one of the officers in the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini.</p> <p>On 13 September 2022, Khoshnamvand and three other members of a squad arbitrarily arrested 22-year old Mahsa Amini in Tehran, allegedly for wearing a hijab improperly. She was subsequently taken to the Morality Police's headquarters for an "educational and orientation class". According to reliable reports and witnesses, she was brutally beaten and mistreated in custody, which led to her hospitalisation and death on 16 September 2022. The Morality Police's abusive behaviour is not confined to this incident and has been widely documented.</p> <p>As one of the officers who arrested Amini, Sergeant Ali Khoshnamvand is responsible for Amini's death and is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.</p>	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
134.	GHORBAN-HOSSEINI Fatemeh قربان-حسینی فاطمه	DOB: 1995 POB: Teheran, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: female Function: Member of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini	<p>Fatemeh Ghorban-Hosseini is a member of the Morality Police (EU-listed), an Islamic religious police that is part of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). She is one of the officers in the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini.</p> <p>On 13 September 2022, Ghorban-Hosseini and three other members of a squad arbitrarily arrested 22-year old Mahsa Amini in Tehran, allegedly for wearing a hijab improperly. She was subsequently taken to the Morality Police's headquarters for an "educational and orientation class". According to reliable reports and witnesses, she was brutally beaten and mistreated in custody, which led to her hospitalisation and death on 16 September 2022. The Morality Police's abusive behaviour is not confined to this incident and has been widely documented.</p> <p>As one of the officers who arrested Amini, Fatemeh Ghorban-Hosseini is responsible for Amini's death and is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.</p>	14.11.2022
135.	SAFARI Parastou سفری پرستو	DOB: 1986 POB: Kermanshah, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: female Function: Member of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini	<p>Parastou Safari is a member of the Morality Police (EU-listed), an Islamic religious police that is part of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). She is one of the officers in the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini.</p> <p>On 13 September 2022, Safari and three other members of a squad arbitrarily arrested 22-year old Mahsa Amini in Tehran, allegedly for wearing a hijab improperly. She was subsequently taken to the Morality Police's headquarters for an "educational and orientation class". According to reliable reports and witnesses, she was brutally beaten and mistreated in custody, which led to her hospitalisation and death on 16 September 2022. The Morality Police's abusive behaviour is not confined to this incident and has been widely documented.</p> <p>As one of the officers who arrested Amini, Parastou Safari is responsible for Amini's death and is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.</p>	14.11.2022'

Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
'9.	The Basij Cooperative Foundation (a.k.a. Bonyad-eh Ta'avon-eh Basij) بنیاد تعاون بسیج	Address: Tehran, Iran Type of entity: Foundation/Corporation Network Other associated entities: IRGC, Basij Resistance Force	The Basij Cooperative Foundation (BCF) is one of the affiliates of the Basij Resistance Force (EU-listed). The BCF was established in 1996 and its mission includes promoting and supporting the Basij. The activities of the BCF include the funding of the Basij Resistance Force (EU-listed). Therefore, the BCF is associated with the Basij Resistance Force, an entity responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
10.	Press TV پرس تو	Address: 4 East 2nd St., Farhang Blvd., Saadat Abad, 19977-66411 Tehran, Iran Telephone number: Tel. +98 21 230 66 660 Email: Presstv@presstv.ir Type of entity: State Television Broadcaster	Press TV is responsible for producing and broadcasting the forced confessions of detainees, including journalists, political activists, persons belonging to Kurdish and Arab minorities, violating internationally recognised rights to a fair trial and due process. Therefore, Press TV is responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

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11.	Arvan Cloud (a.k.a. Abr Arvan; Noyan Abr Arvan Co.; Arwan Company; Arvancloud) آرون کلود	Address: Zafar St. Africa Blvd., Tehran, Iran Type of entity: Private Company Other associated entities: IRGC, Iranian Ministry of Information and Communications Technology	Arvan Cloud is an Iranian IT company supporting the Iranian government's efforts to control access to the Iranian intranet. Since 2020, it is a major partner in the project of the Iranian government, in general, and the Iranian Minister of Information and Communications Technology, in particular, to set up a separate, Iranian version of the internet. Such a national intranet with connecting points to the global internet will help to control the flow of information between the Iranian intranet and the global internet. As such, Arvan Cloud is involved in censorship and efforts of the Iranian government to shut down the internet in response to recent protests in Iran. Arvan Cloud is also associated with persons responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran, notably the EU-listed Iranian Minister of Information and Communications Technology.	14.11.2022'

DECISIONS

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2022/2232

of 14 November 2022

amending Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 29 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 15 October 2018, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544 ⁽¹⁾ concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons.
- (2) On 20 August 2020, Alexei Navalny, a prominent opposition leader in Russia, was poisoned with a toxic military-grade nerve agent of the Novichok group, as confirmed by specialised laboratories in Germany, France and Sweden, as well as by the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW). This poisoning constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction (the 'Chemical Weapons Convention') and a serious breach of international law. The Union reiterates its strong concerns that the Russian Federation has not reacted to international calls for a thorough and transparent investigation into the assassination attempt against Alexei Navalny.
- (3) The Union has strongly condemned the use of chemical weapons by Syria and its failure to respect its international obligations under the Chemical Weapons Convention, as substantiated through comprehensive and thorough investigations carried out by the United Nations and the OPCW. The Union has raised these concerns in various fora and urges Syria to return to full compliance with the Chemical Weapons Convention.
- (4) In that context, and in view of the continued threat posed by the proliferation and use of chemical weapons, ten persons and one entity should be included in the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in the Annex to Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544.
- (5) The Annex to Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544 is amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544 of 15 October 2018 concerning restrictive measures against the proliferation and use of chemical weapons (OJ L 259, 16.10.2018, p. 25).

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2022.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

The following persons and entity are added under the heading 'List of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies referred to in Articles 2 and 3' in the Annex to Decision (CFSP) 2018/1544:

A. NATURAL PERSONS

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
'16.	Alexey Alexandrovich ALEXANDROV (Алексей Александрович АЛЕКСАНДРОВ) a.k.a. Alexey Andreevich FROLOV (Алексей Андреевич ФРОЛОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 16.6.1981 or 16.6.1980; Nationality: Russian	Alexey Alexandrov is an agent of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) working as a Criminalistics Institute operative. In that capacity, he was directly involved in the preparations for and the execution of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Alexey Alexandrov was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons as well as in the use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
17.	Vladimir Alexandrovich PANYAEV (Владимир Александрович ПАНЯЕВ) a.k.a. Vladimir ALEXEEV (Владимир АЛЕКСЕЕВ) a.k.a. Vladimir ALEXEYEV (Владимир АЛЕКСЕЕВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 25.11.1980; Place of birth: Serdobsk, Russian Federation; Nationality: Russian	Vladimir Panyaev is an agent of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) working as a Criminalistics Institute operative. In that capacity, he was directly involved in the preparations for and the execution of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Vladimir Panyaev was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons as well as in the use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
18.	Ivan Vladimirovich OSIPOV (Иван Владимирович ОСИПОВ) a.k.a. Ivan Vasilyevich SPIRIDONOV (Иван Васильевич СПИРИДОНОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 21.8.1976 or 21.8.1975; Nationality: Russian	Ivan Osipov is an agent of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) working as a Criminalistics Institute operative. In that capacity, he was directly involved in the preparations for and the execution of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Ivan Osipov was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons as well as in the use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
19.	Artur Aleksandrovich ZHIROV (Артур Александрович ЖИРОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 6.7.1961; Nationality: Russian	Artur Zhiron is a chemical weapons expert and Director of SC Signal, a research institute that has been linked to Russia's chemical weapons program. As Director of SC Signal, Artur Zhiron provided technical support to operations against Yulia Navalnaya and Alexei Navalny that took place in Kaliningrad on 6 July 2020 and to the planning of the subsequent poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Artur Zhiron was engaged in preparations for the use of chemical weapons and he provided technical and material support for using chemical weapons.	14.11.2022

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20.	Kirill Yurievich VASILIEV (Кирилл Юрьевич ВАСИЛЬЕВ) a.k.a. Kirill VASILYEV (Кирилл ВАСИЛЬЕВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 22.2.1973; Nationality: Russian; Tax-ID No.: 773721109701 (Russia)	General Kirill Vasiliev is the Director of the Criminalistics Institute of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB), which conducted operations to closely monitor the activities of Alexei Navalny over a long period of time, including during his journey to Tomsk where he was poisoned with a Novichok-type nerve on 20 August 2020. That poisoning constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Kirill Vasiliev, in his capacity as Director of the Criminalistics Institute of the FSB, provided the operational framework and direction to conduct the surveillance and the assassination attempt against Alexei Navalny. Therefore, he was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons, he is responsible for the use of chemical weapons and he provided technical and material support for using chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
21.	Konstantin Borisovich KUDRYAVTSEV (Константин Борисович КУДРЯВЦЕВ) a.k.a. Konstantin Yevgenievich SOKOLOV (Константин Евгеньевич СОКОЛОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 28.4.1980 or 28.4.1981; Nationality: Russian	Konstantin Kudryavtsev is a chemical weapons expert and an agent of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) working as a Criminalistics Institute operative. In that capacity, he was directly involved in the preparations for and the clean-up operations of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve agent in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Furthermore, he admitted to his involvement in at least one other poisoning attempt against Navalny in 2017. Therefore, Konstantin Kudryavtsev was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons as well as in the use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
22.	Stanislav Valentinovich МАКШАКОВ (Станислав Валентинович МАКШАКОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 1966; Nationality: Russian	Stanislav Makshakov is a military scientist and Deputy Director of the Criminalistics Institute of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB), which conducted operations to closely monitor the activities of Alexei Navalny over a long period of time. In his capacity as Deputy Director of the Criminalistics Institute, Stanislav Makshakov was the commander of the team of operatives involved in the preparations and execution of the poisoning of Alexei Navalny with a Novichok-type nerve in Tomsk on 20 August 2020, which constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Therefore, Stanislav Makshakov was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons, he is responsible for the use of chemical weapons and he provided technical and material support for using chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
23.	Vladimir Mikhaylovich BOGDANOV (Владимир Михайлович БОГДАНОВ)	Gender: male; Date of birth: 17.7.1958; Place of birth: Moscow, Russian Federation; Nationality: Russian	Vladimir Bogdanov is the Head of Special Technology Centre of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB), which is the parent entity of the Criminalistics Institute. In that capacity, Vladimir Bogdanov oversees and controls the activities of those entities. The FSB conducted operations to closely monitor the activities of Alexei Navalny over a long period of time, including during his journey to Tomsk where Navalny was poisoned with a Novichok-type nerve on 20 August 2020. That poisoning constitutes a use of chemical weapons under the Chemical Weapons Convention. Vladimir Bogdanov, in his capacity as the Head of Special Technology Centre of the FSB, provided the operational framework and direction to conduct the surveillance and the assassination attempt against Alaxey Navalny. Therefore, he was involved in preparations for the use of chemical weapons, he is responsible for the use of chemical weapons and he provided technical and material support for using chemical weapons.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
24.	Chadi HOURANIEH	Gender: male; Date of birth: 29.5.1979; Place of birth: Damascus, Syria; Nationality: Canadian	Chadi Houranieh is the co-owner of MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co company, which operates in the metals industry and supplies the Syrian Studies and Research Centre (SSRC) with materials used in the manufacture of chemical weapons delivery systems. Therefore, Chadi Houranieh is responsible for providing material support for manufacturing chemical weapons and is engaged in preparations for the use of chemical weapons and thus contributes to the continued threat posed by the proliferation and use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022
25.	Mohammad Nazier HOURANIEH	Gender: male; Date of birth: 6.5.1976; Place of birth: Damascus, Syria; Nationality: Canadian	Mohammad Nazier Houranieh is the co-owner of MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co company, which operates in the metals industry and supplies the Syrian Studies and Research Centre (SSRC) with materials used in the manufacture of chemical weapons delivery systems. Therefore, Mohammad Nazier Houranieh is responsible for providing material support for manufacturing chemical weapons and is engaged in preparations for the use of chemical weapons and thus contributes to the continued threat posed by the proliferation and use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022'

B. LEGAL PERSONS, ENTITIES AND BODIES

	Name	Identifying information	Grounds for designation	Date of listing
'3.	MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co	Address: Zoukak Al Jin Abed Al Rahman Bn Al Kassem Street. Damascus, Syria; Phone: (+963) 11-2210758, (+963) 11-2224349; Fax: (+963) 11-2235892; Web: https://houranieh.com/ Email: info@houranieh.com	MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co is a company operating in the metals industry and supplies the Syrian Studies and Research Centre (SSRC) with materials used in the manufacture of chemical weapons delivery systems. Therefore, MHD Nazier Houranieh & Sons Co provides material support for manufacturing chemical weapons and is engaged in preparations for the use of chemical weapons and thus contributes to the continued threat posed by the proliferation and use of chemical weapons.	14.11.2022'

COUNCIL DECISION (CFSP) 2022/2233**of 14 November 2022****amending Decision 2014/145/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 29 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 17 March 2014, the Council adopted Decision 2014/145/CFSP ⁽¹⁾.
- (2) The Union remains unwavering in its support for Ukraine's sovereignty and territorial integrity.
- (3) The Iranian regime provides military support for Russia's unprovoked and unjustified war of aggression against Ukraine. On 20 October 2022, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2022/1986 ⁽²⁾.
- (4) In view of the gravity of the situation, the Council considers that two individuals and two entities involved in the development and delivery of Unmanned Aerial Vehicles to Russia should be added to the list of persons, entities and bodies subject to restrictive measures set out in the Annex to Decision 2014/145/CFSP.
- (5) Further action by the Union is needed in order to implement certain measures.
- (6) Decision 2014/145/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision 2014/145/CFSP is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2022.

For the Council

The President

J. BORRELL FONTELLES

⁽¹⁾ Council Decision 2014/145/CFSP of 17 March 2014 concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine (OJ L 78, 17.3.2014, p. 16).

⁽²⁾ Council Decision (CFSP) 2022/1986 of 20 October 2022 amending Decision 2014/145/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in respect of actions undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine (OJ L 272 I, 20.10.2022, p. 5).

ANNEX

The following persons and entities are added to the list of persons, entities and bodies set out in the Annex to Decision 2014/145/CFSP:

Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Statement of Reasons	Date of listing
'1266.	Hossein SALAMI حسین سلامی	DOB: 1960 POB: Golpayagan, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: Male Rank: Major-General Position: Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps	Major-General Hossein Salami is the Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps, which supervises the development of Iran's Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) programme as well as the transfer of UAVs abroad. In this capacity, Major-General Hossein Salami is responsible for UAV-related defence cooperation, including the supply of UAVs to the Russian Federation for their use in the war of aggression against Ukraine. Therefore, Major-General Hossein Salami is responsible for supporting actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	14.11.2022
1267.	Amir Ali HAJIZADEH امیر علی حاجیزاده (a.k.a. Amir Ali Haji ZADEH)	DOB: 28.2.1962 POB: Tehran, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: Male Rank: Brigadier-General Position: Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps - Aerospace Force	Brigadier-General Amir Ali Hajizadeh is the Commander of the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps - Aerospace Force, which supervises the development of Iran's Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) programme as well as the transfer of UAVs abroad. In this capacity, Amir Ali Hajizadeh is responsible for UAV-related defence cooperation, including the supply of UAVs to the Russian Federation for their use in the war of aggression against Ukraine. Therefore, Brigadier-General Amir Ali Hajizadeh is responsible for supporting actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	14.11.2022'

Entities

	Name	Identifying information	Statement of Reasons	Date of listing
'120.	Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps - Aerospace Force (IRGC ASF) نیروی هوافضای سپاه پاسداران انقلاب اسلامی (a.k.a. IRGC Air Force)		The Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps - Aerospace Force (IRGC ASF) is responsible for the development of Iran's Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) programme, including the Shahed-136 and Mohajer-6, which are used by the Russian Federation in the war of aggression against Ukraine. As the primary operator of Iran's fleet of UAVs, the IRGC ASF has an important role in the supply of drones to international allies of Iran, including the Russian Federation. Therefore, the IRGC ASF is responsible for supporting materially actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	14.11.2022
121.	Qods Aviation Industries صنایع هوایی قدس (a.k.a. Qods Aeronautics Industries)		Qods Aviation Industries is an Iranian company that designs and manufactures Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs). It is a subsidiary of the Iran Aviation Industries Organization (IAIO), a state-owned enterprise subordinate to the Iranian Ministry of Defense and Armed Forces Logistics (MODAF). Qods Aviation Industries produces Mohajer-6 drones, which were supplied to the Russian Federation and used in the war of aggression against Ukraine. Therefore, Qods Aviation Industries is responsible for supporting materially actions which undermine or threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	14.11.2022'

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION (CFSP) 2022/2234
of 14 November 2022

implementing Decision 2011/235/CFSP concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Iran

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 31(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2011/235/CFSP of 12 April 2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Iran ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 3(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 12 April 2011, the Council adopted Decision 2011/235/CFSP.
- (2) On 25 September 2022, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy issued a declaration on behalf of the Union deploring the widespread and disproportionate use of force by the Iranian security forces against nonviolent protestors, which led to high numbers of deaths and injuries. The declaration also stated that those responsible for the killing of Mahsa Amini must be held accountable and called on the Iranian authorities to ensure transparent and credible investigations to clarify the number of deaths and persons arrested, to release all non-violent protestors and to provide due process to all detainees. Furthermore, the declaration stressed that Iran's decision to severely restrict internet access and block instant messaging platforms blatantly violates freedom of expression. Finally, the declaration stated that the Union will consider all the options at its disposal to address the killing of Mahsa Amini and the way Iranian security forces have responded to the ensuing demonstrations.
- (3) On 17 October 2022, the Council adopted Implementing Decision (CFSP) 2022/1956 ⁽²⁾, including eleven persons and four entities in the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures in the Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP for their involvement in serious human rights violations in Iran.
- (4) In that context, and in line with the Union's commitment to address all issues of concern with Iran, including the human rights situation, one person should be included in the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures in the Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP.
- (5) The Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP is amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 100, 14.4.2011, p. 51.

⁽²⁾ Council Implementing Decision (CFSP) 2022/1956 of 17 October 2022 implementing Decision 2011/235/CFSP concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Iran (OJ L 269 I, 17.10.2022, p. 9).

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2022.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

ANNEX

The following person is added to the list of persons and entities set out in the Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP:

Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
'107.	VAHIDI Ahmad وحیدی احمد	POB: Shiraz (Iran) DOB: 27 July 1958 Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Position: Minister of Interior	<p>Ahmad Vahidi has been the Iranian Minister of Interior since 25 August 2021. As such, he is responsible for Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF).</p> <p>Since he took office, an unprecedented number of military and security officials have been appointed to provincial governorships who play key roles in coordinating crowd-control activities by police special forces, the Basij militia and the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC).</p> <p>Blatant and severe human rights violations by the LEF, such as the indiscriminate shooting with live ammunition at peaceful protesters, including children, have been widely documented since protests surrounding the death of Mahsa Amini started in mid-September 2022. Over 70 protesters died and hundreds were seriously injured, including children. Since the beginning of the demonstrations, police forces have also arbitrarily detained numerous human rights defenders and journalists. Vahidi has also publicly advocated for a harsh approach towards persons participating in the demonstrations.</p> <p>He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.</p>	14.11.2022'

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION (CFSP) 2022/2235**of 14 November 2022****implementing Decision 2011/235/CFSP concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Iran**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 31(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2011/235/CFSP of 12 April 2011 concerning restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities in view of the situation in Iran ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 3(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 12 April 2011, the Council adopted Decision 2011/235/CFSP.
- (2) On 25 September 2022, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy issued a declaration on behalf of the Union deploring the widespread and disproportionate use of force by the Iranian security forces against nonviolent protestors, which use of force led to high numbers of deaths and injuries. The declaration also spelled out that those responsible for the killing of Mahsa Amini must be held accountable, and called on the Iranian authorities to ensure transparent and credible investigations to clarify the number of deaths and arrests, release all non-violent protestors and to provide due process to all detainees. Furthermore, the declaration stressed that Iran's decision to severely restrict internet access and block instant messaging platforms blatantly violates freedom of expression. Finally, the declaration stated that the Union would consider all the options at its disposal to address the killing of Mahsa Amini and the way Iranian security forces responded to the ensuing demonstrations.
- (3) In that context, and in line with the Union's commitment to address all issues of concern with Iran, including the human rights situation, 28 persons and three entities should be included in the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures in the Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP.
- (4) The Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP is amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Brussels, 14 November 2022.

For the Council
The President
J. BORRELL FONTELLES

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 100, 14.4.2011, p. 51.

The following persons and entities are added to the list of persons and entities set out in the Annex to Decision 2011/235/CFSP:

Persons

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
'108.	ABNOUSH Salar سالار آبنوش	DOB: 2.5.1962 POB: Hamedan, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: Deputy Commander of the Basij Resistance Force	Salar Abnough is the Deputy Commander of the Basij Resistance Force (EU-listed). The Basij is a volunteer paramilitary organisation operating under the IRGC with branches throughout Iran. It is charged with channelling popular support for the Iranian regime. The Basij is notorious for its recruitment of volunteers, many of them teenage children, and for human wave attacks during the Iran-Iraq war. After the contested 2009 Iranian presidential elections, the Basij brutally quashed protests and attacked student dormitories. The Basij has two missions: to provide defensive military training to protect the regime against foreign invasion, and to suppress domestic anti-regime activity through street violence and intimidation. The Basij is one of the forces ordered by the government to quell the September/October 2022 protests. It injured and killed several protesters. Sources indicate that Basij members under Salar Abnough's command have committed serious human rights violations in Iran. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
109.	REZAEI Qasem (a.k.a. REZAEI Ghasem) رضایی قاسم	DOB: 27.9.1961 POB: Abhar, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male National ID No: D10005996 (Iran) Function: Deputy Commander of the Law Enforcement Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran (LEF)	Qasem Rezaei is the Deputy Commander of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). He directly supervised acts of violence against detainees, including torture and beatings. He justified the actions of the security forces in the wake of the deadly use of force against Iranian protesters and called for continued violence against protesters in May 2022. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
110.	AMANOLLAHI Manouchehr (a.k.a. AMANOLLAHI BAHARVAND Manouchehr) منوچهر امن اللهی	DOB: March 1965 or 1966 POB: Khorramabad, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: Commander of the Law Enforcement Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran (LEF) in the province of Chaharmahal and Bakhtiari	Manouchehr Amanollahi is the Commander of the EU-listed Law Enforcement Forces of the Islamic Republic of Iran (LEF) in the province of Chaharmahal and Bakhtiari. During his tenure, the LEF suppressed protests in 2021 in the province in response to a lack of water, and in 2022 in response to food rationing. LEF units under Amanollahi's command used live ammunition against protestors when suppressing the protests, resulting in multiple deaths. As an advisor to LEF leadership, Amanollahi was also involved in the LEF's response to nationwide protests in November 2019, which resulted in the deaths of hundreds of protestors. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
111.	HEIDARI Kiyumars (a.k.a. HEYDARI Kioumars, HEYDARI Amir Kyomarth) حیدری کیومرث	DOB: 1964 POB: Kermanshah, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: Commander of the Iranian Army Ground Forces	Brigadier-General Kiyumars Heidari is the Commander of the Iranian Army's Ground Forces and directly reports to the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran. He has publicly admitted to his and his force's involvement in the violent response to the November 2019 protests, which led to the death of hundreds of protesters. Blatant and severe human rights violations by the forces, such as indiscriminate shooting with live ammunition at peaceful protesters – including children – have been widely documented since protests surrounding the death of Mahsa Amini started mid-September 2022. Over 70 protesters died and hundreds were seriously injured. Army Ground Forces, which are under the control of Heidari, have been involved in suppressing the protests and have killed at least one person. Heidari himself stated that his forces have been used to deal with the 2022 protests. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
112.	MAJID Vahid Mohammad Naser وحيد مجيد	DOB: 15.8.1964 POB: Isfahan, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male National ID No: 3874409929 (Iran) Function: Head of the Iranian Cyber Police	Vahid Mohammad Naser Majid is head of the Iranian Cyber Police (EU-listed). The Iranian Cyber Police influences and restricts internet access in Iran and arbitrarily arrests people for expressing online criticism of the Iranian regime. The Cyber Police is engaged in a nationwide series of arrests and prosecutions. It lends support to the Iranian regime in its violent response to nationwide protests against people who speak up in defence of their legitimate rights. In his function as Head of the Iranian Cyber Police, Vahid Mohammad Naser Majid is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
113.	NEJAT Hossein (a.k.a. ZIBAYINEJAD Mohammad-Hossein) حسين نجات	DOB: 1955 POB: Shiraz, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: Deputy Commander of Sarallah (a.k.a. Tharullah, Thar-Allah, Tharallah, Tharallollah)	Brigadier-General Hossein Nejat has been the Deputy Commander of Sarallah, an IRGC-linked, Tehran-based dedicated security apparatus of the Iranian state since 21 June 2020. Sarallah is essential to Tehran's security, as the headquarters is responsible for protecting the capital and governmental institutions against any threats such as coups or anti-government protests. Sarallah troops under the direct command of Nejat are tasked with quelling anti-government protests, including the violent suppressing of peaceful protests in 2022. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
114.	MAROUFI Hossein حسین معروفی	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: General Function: Deputy Head of Mobilisation of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in the Sistan and Baluchestan province	General Sardar Hossein Maroufi is the Deputy Head of Mobilisation of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in the Sistan and Baluchestan province. As such, he is a leading IRGC member in this province. The Sistan and Baluchestan province has seen some of the most violent crackdowns by Iranian security forces, including IRGC forces, during the 2022 protest wave. On 30 September 2022, the province capital Zahedan witnessed “bloody Friday”, when security forces opened fire on a protest forming around Friday prayer. It is estimated that at least 70 protestors were shot and killed. Since then, violence against participants in later protests has continued. Sardar Hossein Maroufi is among those responsible for the IRGC’s violence against protestors in Sistan and Baluchestan province, in particular around “bloody Friday”. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
115.	ABSALAN Parviz آبسالان پرویز	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: General Function: Deputy Head of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province	General Parviz Absalan is the Deputy Head of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province. The IRGC is a central element of the Iranian security forces in that province, where it is also called the “Salman army”. The security forces in Sistan and Baluchestan province have been using brutal violence against peaceful protestors in the round of protests in the autumn of 2022, including against children. As Deputy Head of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province, Parviz Absalan is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
116.	SHAFABI Ahmad (a.k.a. SHAFAI Ahmad) احمد شفاهی	DOB: 21.5.1968 Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier General Function: commander and public relations officer of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province	Brigadier General Ahmad Shafahi is a commander of the IRGC in Sistan and Baluchestan province, and is responsible for public relations. The IRGC is a central element of the Iranian security forces in that province, where it is also called the "Salman army". The security forces in Sistan and Baluchestan province have been using brutal violence against peaceful protestors in the round of protests in the autumn of 2022, including against children. As commander of the IRGC in the Sistan and Baluchestan Province, Sardar Ahmed Shafahi is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
117.	KOCHZAEI Ebrahim (a.k.a. KOCHZAI Ebrahim, KOCHAKZAEI Ebrahim) کوحزایی ابراهیم	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Chabahar in Sistan and Baluchestan province	Colonel Ebrahim Kochzaei is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Chabahar in Sistan and Baluchestan province. The security forces in Sistan and Baluchestan province, including in Chabahar, have been using brutal violence against peaceful protestors in the round of protests in the autumn of 2022, including against children. Kochzaei is also named as the perpetrator of the rape of a 15-year old girl in September 2022, who was held in police custody in Chabahar. Ebrahim Kochzaei is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
118.	TAHERI Ahmad طاهری احمد	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Sistan and Baluchestan province	Brigadier-General Ahmed Taheri is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the Sistan and Baluchestan province of Iran. The security forces in Sistan and Baluchestan province have been using brutal violence against peaceful protestors in the round of protests in the autumn of 2022, including against children. As the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Sistan and Baluchestan province, Ahmed Taheri is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
119.	HOSSEINI Seyed Sadegh سید صادق حسینی	DOB: 1963 or 1964 POB: Dehloran, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: General Function: head of the IRGC in Kurdistan province	General Seyed Sadegh Hosseini is the head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in Kurdistan province. Kurdistan province has seen severe violence by Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, against the 2022 protest wave. Moreover, the IRGC uses Kurdistan province as a base to conduct military operations against Iraqi Kurdistan, which led to the death of more than a dozen non-combatants. Seyed Sadegh Hosseini is among those responsible for the IRGC violence against protestors in Kurdistan province. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
120.	RAJABPOUR Sereng Hossein رجبپور سرنگ حسین	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: commander of the Beit al-Maqdis force (IRGC in Kurdistan) in the city of Sanandaj	Colonel Sereng Hossein Rajabpour is the commander of the Beit al-Maqdis force (IRGC in Kurdistan) in the city of Sanandaj in the province of Kurdistan. Kurdistan province has seen severe violence by Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, against the 2022 protest wave, especially in the city of Sanandaj. Sereng Hossein Rajabpour is among those responsible for the violence against protestors in Kurdistan province. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
121.	ASL Gholamhossein Mohammadi اصل غلامحسین محمدی	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: head of the IRGC in Ardabil province	Gholamhossein Mohammadi Asl is the head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in Ardabil province – a province with an Azeri ethnic minority. Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, committed serious human rights violations in Ardabil province during the 2022 protests. Reports show that an Iranian schoolgirl named Asra Panahi was beaten to death by security forces for refusing to sing the pro-regime anthem. Gholamhossein Mohammadi Asl is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
122.	ABDI Shakar عبدی شکار	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: deputy head of the IRGC in Ardabil province	Colonel Shakar Abdi is the deputy head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in Ardabil province – a province with an Azeri ethnic minority. Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, committed serious human rights violations in Ardabil province during the 2022 protests. Reports show that an Iranian schoolgirl named Asra Panahi was beaten to death by security forces for refusing to sing the pro-regime anthem. Shakar Abdi is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
123.	HASSANZADEH Hasan حسنزاده حسن	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier General Function: head of the IRGC in Tehran province	Brigadier General Hasan Hassanzadeh is the head of the Islamic Revolutionary Guards Corps (IRGC) in Tehran province. Iranian security forces, including the IRGC, committed serious human rights violations in Tehran province during the 2022 protests. Hasan Hassanzadeh is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
124.	AGHAEI Morteza Mir (a.k.a. MIRAGHAEI Morteza) آقای مرتضا میر	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: head of the Basij in the city of Sanandaj	Colonel Morteza Mir Aghaei is the head of the Basij in the city of Sanandaj in the province of Kurdistan. Iranian security forces, including the IRGC and its Basij, committed serious human rights violations in Sanandaj during the 2022 protests. Morteza Mir Aghaei is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
125.	MOHAMMADIAN Abbas-Ali محمدیان عباس-علی	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Alborz (Karaj) province	Abbas-Ali Mohammadian has been the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Alborz (Karaj) province since 2017. Alborz (Karaj) is a province where major demonstrations have been taking place since September 2022 that have been met with excessive police violence. Security forces have frequently shot directly at peaceful protestors, leading to many deaths, including of children. As head of the LEF in Alborz (Karaj) province, Abbas-Ali Mohammadian is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
126.	JAHANBAKHSR Rahim جهانبخش رحیم	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in West Azerbaijan province	Brigadier-General Rahim Jahanbakhsh is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in West Azerbaijan province. West Azerbaijan is a province where major demonstrations have been taking place since September 2022 that have been met with excessive police violence. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
127.	SHEIKHNEJAD Hassan شیخنژاد حسن	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Urumeh (a. k.a. Ouroumieh), the capital of West Azerbaijan province.	Colonel Hassan Sheikhnejad is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Urumeh, the capital of West Azerbaijan province. In Urumeh, Iranian security forces committed serious human rights violations during the 2022 protests. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
128.	SAADATI Mahmoud سعادتى محمود	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Colonel Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Zahedan in Sistan and Baluchestan province	Colonel Mahmoud Saadati is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Zahedan in Sistan and Baluchestan province. In Zahedan, Iranian security forces committed serious human rights violations during the 2022 protests. Mahmoud Saadati is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
129.	MIRZAI Morteza ميرزای مرتضا	POB: Khorram Abad, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Brigadier-General Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Mazandaran province.	Brigadier-General Morteza Mirzai is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Mazandaran province. In Mazandaran province, Iranian security forces committed serious human rights violations during the 2022 protests. Morteza Mirzai is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

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130.	MALIKI Azizullah عزیز الله ملکى	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: General Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Gilan province	General Azizullah Maliki is the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in Gilan province. In 2022, Azizullah Maliki directed the violent crackdown against the protests in Gilan province. He was vocal in the media, vehemently defending the violent reaction of the security forces to the protests in September and October 2022. As head of the LEF in Gilan province, Azizullah Maliki is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
131.	MORADI Ali-Reza مرادى على-رضا	Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Function: head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Sanandaj	Ali-Reza Moradi has been the head of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF) in the city of Sanandaj in Kurdistan province since December 2018. In that position, Ali-Reza Moradi reports to the general staff of the armed forces in Iran, directly under the authority of the Supreme Leader of the Islamic Republic of Iran. Moradi has been responsible for the mass arrest of protesters and ordered the use of lethal weapons against unarmed protesters during the November 2019 nationwide protests in Sanandaj, which resulted in the death of at least two protesters. Blatant and severe human rights violations by the police forces in Sanandaj, such as the indiscriminate shooting with live ammunition at peaceful protesters – including children, have been documented since protests surrounding the death of Mahsa Amini started mid-September 2022. Moradi has also publicly advocated a harsh approach towards persons participating in the demonstrations. Since the beginning of the 2022 demonstrations, police forces have arbitrarily detained numerous human rights defenders and journalists. Ali-Reza Moradi is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

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132.	RAFIEI Enayatollah رفیعی عنایت‌الله	DOB: 1970 Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Captain Function: commander of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini	Captain Enayatollah Rafiei is a member of the Morality Police (EU-listed), an Islamic religious police that is part of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). He is the commander of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini. On 13 September 2022, Rafiei and three other members of his squad arbitrarily arrested 22-year old Mahsa Amini in Tehran, allegedly for wearing a hijab improperly. She was subsequently taken to the Morality Police's headquarters for an "educational and orientation class". According to reliable reports and witnesses, she was brutally beaten and mistreated in custody, which led to her hospitalisation and death on 16 September 2022. The Morality Police's abusive behaviour is not confined to this incident and has been widely documented. As commander of the squad, Captain Enayatollah Rafiei is responsible for Amini's death and is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
133.	KHOSHNAMVAND Ali خوشناموند علی	DOB: 1995 POB: Khoshnamvand, (Khushnamvand) in the Kouhdasht district of Lorestan province in western Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male Rank: Sergeant Function: Member of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini	Sergeant Ali Khoshnamvand is a member of the Morality Police (EU-listed), an Islamic religious police that is part of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). He is one of the officers in the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini. On 13 September 2022, Khoshnamvand and three other members of a squad arbitrarily arrested 22-year old Mahsa Amini in Tehran, allegedly for wearing a hijab improperly. She was subsequently taken to the Morality Police's headquarters for an "educational and orientation class". According to reliable reports and witnesses, she was brutally beaten and mistreated in custody, which led to her hospitalisation and death on 16 September 2022. The Morality Police's abusive behaviour is not confined to this incident and has been widely documented. As one of the officers who arrested Amini, Sergeant Ali Khoshnamvand is responsible for Amini's death and is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

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134.	GHORBAN-HOSSEINI Fatemeh قربان-حسينی فاطمه	DOB: 1995 POB: Teheran, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: female Function: Member of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini	<p>Fatemeh Ghorban-Hosseini is a member of the Morality Police (EU-listed), an Islamic religious police that is part of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). She is one of the officers in the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini.</p> <p>On 13 September 2022, Ghorban-Hosseini and three other members of a squad arbitrarily arrested 22-year old Mahsa Amini in Tehran, allegedly for wearing a hijab improperly. She was subsequently taken to the Morality Police's headquarters for an "educational and orientation class". According to reliable reports and witnesses, she was brutally beaten and mistreated in custody, which led to her hospitalisation and death on 16 September 2022. The Morality Police's abusive behaviour is not confined to this incident and has been widely documented.</p> <p>As one of the officers who arrested Amini, Fatemeh Ghorban-Hosseini is responsible for Amini's death and is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.</p>	14.11.2022
135.	SAFARI Parastou سفری پرستو	DOB: 1986 POB: Kermanshah, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: female Function: Member of the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini	<p>Parastou Safari is a member of the Morality Police (EU-listed), an Islamic religious police that is part of Iran's Law Enforcement Forces (LEF). She is one of the officers in the squad that arrested Mahsa Amini.</p> <p>On 13 September 2022, Safari and three other members of a squad arbitrarily arrested 22-year old Mahsa Amini in Tehran, allegedly for wearing a hijab improperly. She was subsequently taken to the Morality Police's headquarters for an "educational and orientation class". According to reliable reports and witnesses, she was brutally beaten and mistreated in custody, which led to her hospitalisation and death on 16 September 2022. The Morality Police's abusive behaviour is not confined to this incident and has been widely documented.</p> <p>As one of the officers who arrested Amini, Parastou Safari is responsible for Amini's death and is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.</p>	14.11.2022'

Entities

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'9.	The Basij Cooperative Foundation (a.k.a. Bonyad-eh Ta'avon-eh Basij) بنیاد تعاون بسیج	Address: Tehran, Iran Type of entity: Foundation/Corporation Network Other associated entities: IRGC, Basij Resistance Force	The Basij Cooperative Foundation (BCF) is one of the affiliates of the Basij Resistance Force (EU-listed). The BCF was established in 1996 and its mission includes promoting and supporting the Basij. The activities of the BCF include the funding of the Basij Resistance Force (EU-listed). Therefore, the BCF is associated with the Basij Resistance Force, an entity responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022
10.	Press TV پرس تو	Address: 4 East 2nd St., Farhang Blvd., Saadat Abad, 19977-66411 Tehran, Iran Telephone number: Tel. +98 21 230 66 660 Email: Presstv@presstv.ir Type of entity: State Television Broadcaster	Press TV is responsible for producing and broadcasting the forced confessions of detainees, including journalists, political activists, persons belonging to Kurdish and Arab minorities, violating internationally recognised rights to a fair trial and due process. Therefore, Press TV is responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran.	14.11.2022

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11.	Arvan Cloud (a.k.a. Abr Arvan; Noyan Abr Arvan Co.; Arwan Company; Arvancloud) آرون كلود	Address: Zafar St. Africa Blvd., Tehran, Iran Type of entity: Private Company Other associated entities: IRGC, Iranian Ministry of Information and Communications Technology	Arvan Cloud is an Iranian IT company supporting the Iranian government's efforts to control access to the Iranian intranet. Since 2020, it is a major partner in the project of the Iranian government, in general, and the Iranian Minister of Information and Communications Technology, in particular, to set up a separate, Iranian version of the internet. Such a national intranet with connecting points to the global internet will help to control the flow of information between the Iranian intranet and the global internet. As such, Arvan Cloud is involved in censorship and efforts of the Iranian government to shut down the internet in response to recent protests in Iran. Arvan Cloud is also associated with persons responsible for serious human rights violations in Iran, notably the EU-listed Iranian Minister of Information and Communications Technology.	14.11.2022'

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