

# **Financial Sanctions Notice**

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# Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea)

#### Introduction

1. Council Regulation (EC) 329/2007 ("the Regulation") imposing financial sanctions against the Democratic People's Republic of Korea (North Korea) has been amended to include additional prohibitions.

### **Notice summary**

2. The following is a summary of the additional prohibitions in the Financial Sanctions context:

With effect from 29 May 2016 it is prohibited to:

- i Transfer funds to and from North Korea unless the funds are for a specific purpose as listed in the Regulation;
- Transfer any funds over EUR 15,000 without specific authorisation from HM Treasury and;
- iii Provide financial support for trade with North Korea; and
- iv Accept or approve investment in any commercial activity as detailed in the Regulation.

## **Legislative Details**

- 3. On 28 May 2016 Council Regulation (EU) No 2016/841 ("the Amending Regulation") was published in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L 141, 28.5.2016, p.36) by the Council of the European Union.
- 4. The Amending Regulation amended the Regulation with effect from 29 May 2016.

#### **Further Information**

5. A copy of the Amending Regulation can be obtained from the website of the Official Journal of the European Union:

http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legalcontent/EN/TXT/?uri=uriserv:OJ.L\_.2016.141.01.0036.01.ENG&toc=OJ:L:2016:141:TO

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6. Guidance on complying with Article 5c of the Regulation as well as the form to request authorisation for fund transfers can be found here:

https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/ofsi-guidance-on-north-koreademocratic-peoples-republic-of-korea

- 7. Copies of relevant Notices, relevant EU Regulations, UNSC Resolutions and UK legislation can be obtained from the North Korea Financial Sanctions page accessible via the GOV.UK website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specificconsolidated-lists-and-releases">https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specificconsolidated-lists-and-releases</a>
- 8. Further details on the UN measures in respect of the North Korea can be found on the relevant UN Sanctions Committee webpage: <a href="http://www.un.org/sc/committees">http://www.un.org/sc/committees</a>.
- 9. Please note there are also import and export restrictions on the North Korea. Further guidance on exports and trade is available from the GOV.UK website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/sanctions-embargoes-and-restrictions">https://www.gov.uk/sanctions-embargoes-and-restrictions</a>.
- For more information please see our guide to financial sanctions:
   <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-fags">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/financial-sanctions-fags</a>

## **Enquiries**

12. Non-media enquiries, reports and licence applications should be addressed to:

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- 13. Media enquiries about how financial sanctions are implemented in the UK should be addressed to the Treasury Press Office on 020 7270 5238.
- 14. Media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to the Foreign and Commonwealth Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

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