

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury

Financial Sanctions Notice

28/02/2023

Russia

Introduction

- 1. The Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 (S.I. 2019/855) were made under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 (the Sanctions Act) and provide for the freezing of funds and economic resources of certain persons, entities or bodies involved in destabilising Ukraine or undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty or independence of Ukraine, or obtaining a benefit from or supporting the Government of Russia.
- 2. This notice is to issue a correction to 1 entry on the Consolidated List, bringing the entry in line with the UK Sanctions List

Notice summary

- 3. The following entry has been corrected and is still subject to an asset freeze:
 - Matthias Artur WARNIG (Group ID: 15793)

What you must do

- 4. You must:
 - i. check whether you maintain any accounts or hold any funds or economic resources for the persons set out in the Annex to this Notice;
 - ii. freeze such accounts, and other funds or economic resources and any funds which are owned or controlled by persons set out in the Annex to the Notice;

- iii. refrain from dealing with the funds or assets or making them available (directly or indirectly) to such persons unless licensed by the Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation (OFSI);
- iv. report any findings to OFSI, together with any additional information that would facilitate compliance with the Regulations;
- v. provide any information concerning the frozen assets of designated persons that OFSI may request. Information reported to OFSI may be passed on to other regulatory authorities or law enforcement.
- 5. Where a relevant institution has already reported details of accounts, other funds or economic resources held frozen for designated persons, they are not required to report these details again.
- 6. Failure to comply with financial sanctions legislation or to seek to circumvent its provisions is a criminal offence.

Further Information

- Copies of recent notices, UK legislation and relevant guidance can be obtained from the Russia financial sanctions page on the Gov.UK website: https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/financial-sanctions-regime-specific-consolidated-lists-and-releases
- 8. The Consolidated List can be found here:

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

10. For more information please see our guide to financial sanctions:

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

Enquiries

11. Non-media enquiries about the implementation of financial sanctions in the UK should be addressed to:

Office of Financial Sanctions Implementation HM Treasury 1 Horse Guards Road London SW1A 2HQ ofsi@hmtreasury.gov.uk

- 12. Non-media enquiries about the sanctions measures themselves should be addressed to: sanctions@fcdo.gov.uk
- 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, Commonwealth & Development Office Press Office on 020 7008 3100.

ANNEX TO NOTICE

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: RUSSIA

THE RUSSIA (SANCTIONS) (EU EXIT) REGULATIONS 2019 (S.I. 2019/855)

CORRECTION

Deleted information appears in strikethrough. Additional information appears in italics and is underlined.

Individual

1. WARNIG, Matthias Artur

DOB: 26/07/1955. POB: Altdobern, Germany a.k.a: WARNIG, Mattias Nationality: German Other Information: (UK Sanctions List Ref): RUS1758 (UK Statement of Reasons): Lyubov KABAEVA is an involved person within the meaning of the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 because she is the mother of Alina Kabaeva. Alina Kabaeva is Chair of National Media Group (NMG) and an involved person in destabilising Ukraine or undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty or independence of Ukraine. Therefore, Lyubov KABAEVA is associated to an involved person. Matthias WARNIG is an involved person under the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 on the basis of the following grounds: (1) WARNIG is associated with a person who is or has been involved in destabilising Ukraine or undermining or threatening the territorial integrity, sovereignty or independence of Ukraine, namely President Putin; and (2) as the Independent Vice Chairman of the Rosneft Board of Directors and a member of the Board of Directors of Transneft until May 2022, and as Managing Director and Chief Executive of Nord Stream 2 AG, WARNIG is or has been involved in obtaining a benefit from or supporting the Government of Russia by i) working as a director of entities operating in a sector of strategic significance to the Government of Russia, namely the energy sector; and ii) by working as a director of Government of Russia-affiliated entities, namely Transneft and Nord Stream 2 AG. Therefore, WARNIG is or has been involved in obtaining a benefit from or supporting the Government of Russia. (Gender): Male Listed on: 24/02/2023 UK Sanctions List Date Designated: 23/02/2023 Last Updated: 24/02/2023 28/02/2023 Group ID: 15793.

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