24 December 2014

The Chief Executive
All Authorized Institutions

Dear Sir/Madam,

**United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance, United Nations Sanctions Ordinance and List of Names for Suspicious Account Reporting**

I am writing to inform you of the following developments:

(i) **United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance**

The Secretary for Security has specified an updated list of terrorists and terrorist associates designated by the United Nations Security Council (UNSC) Committee under section 4 of the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance (Cap. 575). The list was published in the Government Gazette (G.N. 7391 of 2014) today and is available on the Government’s website (http://www.gld.gov.hk/egazette). Relevant press releases issued by the Committee are attached at Annex.

(ii) **United Nations Sanctions (Central African Republic) Regulation**

The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development has specified an updated list of relevant persons designated under section 32 of the United Nations Sanctions (Central African Republic) Regulation (Cap. 537 sub. leg. BH). The list was published in the Government Gazette (G.N. 7393 of 2014) today and is available on the Government’s website (http://www.gld.gov.hk/egazette).

(iii) **United Nations Sanctions (Côte d’Ivoire) Regulation 2014**

The Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development has specified an updated list of relevant persons designated under section 28 of the United Nations Sanctions (Côte d’Ivoire) Regulation 2014 (Cap. 537 sub. leg. BK). The list was published in the Government Gazette (G.N. 7392 of 2014) today and is available on the Government’s website (http://www.gld.gov.hk/egazette).
(iv) List of Names for Suspicious Account Reporting

The US Government has recently made some changes to the list of individuals and entities designated under US Executive Order 13224. The changes since our last letter on this subject dated 12 December 2014 can be found on the website of the US Treasury in respect of changes made on 18 December 2014. (http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Programs/Documents/terror.pdf)

AIs are reminded that in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 6 of the Guideline on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing, they should maintain a database of individuals and entities designated under the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance, United Nations Sanctions Ordinance and US Executive Order 13224 for client and transaction screening purposes.

The HKMA expects all new designations to be screened against an AI’s client list as soon as practicable after the issuing of a circular by the HKMA.

Any transactions or relations, past or present, with any designated individual or entity should be reported to the Joint Financial Intelligence Unit and the HKMA.

Yours faithfully,

Henry Cheng
Executive Director (Banking Supervision)

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Security Council Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee Deletes Al-Haramain Foundation (United States of America) from Its Sanctions List

Decision Taken Following Review of Delisting Request Submitted through Office of the Ombudsperson

On 28 October 2014, the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999) and 1989 (2011) concerning Al-Qaida and associated individuals and entities removed the name below from the Al-Qaida Sanctions List after concluding its consideration of the de-listing requests for this name submitted through the Office of the Ombudsperson established pursuant to Security Council resolution 1904 (2009), and after considering the Comprehensive Report of the Ombudsperson on this de-listing request.

Therefore, the assets freeze, travel ban and arms embargo set out in paragraph 1 of Security Council resolution 2161 (2014) no longer apply to the name set out below.

B. Entities associated with Al-Qaida


The names of individuals and entities removed from the Al-Qaida Sanctions List pursuant to a decision by the Committee may be found in the “Press Releases” section on the Committee’s website. Other information about de-listing may be

The Committee’s Al-Qaida Sanctions List is updated regularly on the basis of relevant information provided by Member States and international and regional organizations. This is the nineteenth update of the List in 2014. An updated List is accessible on the Committee’s website at the following URL:


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Security Council Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee Adds Two Entities to Its Sanctions List

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On 19 November 2014, the Security Council's Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee approved the addition of two names to its list of individuals and entities subject to the targeted financial sanctions, travel ban and the arms embargo set out in paragraph 1 of Security Council resolution 2161 (2014), adopted under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations.

The Committee stresses the need for robust implementation of the Al-Qaida Sanctions Regime as a significant tool in combating terrorist activity, and urges all Member States to participate actively by nominating for listing additional individuals, groups, undertakings and entities which should be subject to the sanctions measures.

As a result of the new listings, any individual or entity that provides financial or material support to the individuals and entities listed below, including the provision of arms or recruits, is eligible to be added to the Al-Qaida Sanctions List and subject to the sanctions measures.

The details of the new listings are as follows:

B. Entities and other groups associated with Al-Qaida

ANSAR AL CHARIA BENGHAZI  
Name (original script): يﺯﺎﻐﻧﺑ ﺔﻌﯾﺭﺷﻟا ﺭﺎﺻﻧأ  
A.k.a.: a) ﺭﺎﺻﻧأ ﺔﻌﯾﺭﺷﻟا (Ansar al Charia)  
b) Ansar al-Charia  
c) Ansar al-Sharia  
d) Ansar al-Charia Benghazi  
e) Ansar al-Sharia Benghazi  
f) Ansar al-Sharia (Katibat Ansar al Charia in Libya (ASL))  
g) ﺔﺑﯾﺗﻛﺭﺎﺻﻧأ ﺔﻌﯾﺭﺷﻟا (Katibat Ansar al Charia)  
h) Ansar al Sharia  
F.k.a.: na  
Address:  
a) Operates in Benghazi, Libya  
b) Support network in Tunisia  
Listed on: 19 Nov. 2014  
Other information:  
Associated with the Organization of Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (QE.T.14.01), Al Mourabitoun (QE.M.141.14), Ansar al-Shari'a in Tunisia (AAS-T) (QE.A.143.14), and Ansar al Charia Derna (QE.A.145.14.). The leader is Mohamed al-Zahawi (not listed). Runs training camps for foreign terrorist fighters travelling to Syria, Iraq and Mali.

For further details relating to the listings, please refer to the narrative summaries of reasons for listing of the above-mentioned names, available on the Al-Qaida Committee's website in accordance with paragraph 36 of resolution 2161 (2014): http://www.un.org/sc/committees/1267/narrative.shtml.

The Al-Qaida Sanctions List is updated regularly on the basis of relevant information provided by Member States and international and regional organizations. This is the twentieth update of the List in 2014.

An updated Al-Qaida sanctions list is available from the Committee's website at: http://www.un.org/sc/committees/1267/aq_sanctions_list.shtml.

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### A. Individuals associated with Al-Qaida


**QI.B.68.02. Name:** 1: ADEL 2: BEN AL-AZHAR 3: BEN YOUSSEF 4: BEN SOLTANE HAMDI **Name (original script):** يعدل بن الأزهر بن يوسف بن سلطان حمدي **Designation:** na **DOB:** 14 Jul. 1970 **POB:** Tunis, Tunisia **Good quality a.k.a.:** Adel ben al-Azhar ben Youssef ben Soltane, born 14 Jul. 1970 in Tunis, Tunisia (formerly listed as) **Low quality a.k.a.:** Zakariya **Nationality:** Tunisian **Passport no.:** Tunisian passport number M408665, issued on 4 Oct. 2000, expired 3 Oct. 2005 **National identification no.:** a) Tunisian national
Identity number W334061 issued on 9 March 2011 b) Italian Fiscal Code: BNSDLA70L14Z352B


**QI.E.64.02. Name:** 1: SAMI 2: BEN KHAMIS 3: BEN SALEH 4: ELSSEID Name  
**Title:** na  
**Designation:** na  
**DOB:** 10 Feb. 1968  
**POB:** Menzel Jemil, Bizerte, Tunisia  
**Good quality a.k.a.:** Omar El Moughajer  
**Low quality a.k.a.:** Saber  
**Nationality:** Tunisian  
**Passport no.:** na  
**National identification no.:** a) 00319547 issued on 8 Dec. 1994 b) Italian Fiscal Code: SSDSBN68B10Z352F  
**Address:** Ibn Al-Haythman Street, Number 6, Manubah, Tunis, Tunisia  

**QI.B.62.02. Name:** 1: MOHAMED 2: LAKHALAOANI 3: na 4: na  
**Name (original script):** محمد للحاج  
**Title:** na  
**Designation:** na  
**DOB:** 5 Feb. 1970  
**POB:** Tunis, Tunisia  
**Low quality a.k.a.:** a) Mohamed Abu Abda b) Abu Obeida  
**Nationality:** Tunisian  
**Passport no.:** na  
**National identification no.:** na  
**Tunisian national identity number W374031, issued on 11 April 2011**  
**Address:** na  
**Other information:** Professor of Chemistry. Deported from Italy to Tunisia on 27 Aug. 2006. Legally changed family name from Aouani to Lakhal in 2014. Review pursuant to Security Council resolution 1822 (2008) was concluded on 22 Apr. 2010.

The Committee’s Al-Qaida Sanctions List is updated regularly on the basis of relevant information provided by Member States and international and regional organizations. This is the twenty-first update of the List in 2014. An updated List is accessible on the Committee’s website at the following URL:


(Older versions of the Committee’s Al-Qaida Sanctions List are available at http://www.un.org/sc/committees/1267/aq_sanctions_list.shtml).
Security Council Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee Amends Three Entries on Its Sanctions List

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A. Individuals associated with Al-Qaida

QI.M.119.03. Name: 1: ARIS 2: MUNANDAR 3: na 4: na


QI.S.123.03. Name: 1: YASSIN 2: SYAWAL 3: na 4: na


QI.R.186.05. Name: 1: ABU 2: RUSDAN 3: na 4: na

Title: na Designation: na

The Committee's Al-Qaida Sanctions List is updated regularly on the basis of relevant information provided by Member States and international and regional organizations. This is the twenty-second update of the List in 2014. An updated List is accessible on the Committee's website at the following URL: http://www.un.org/sc/commissions/1267/aq_sanctions_list.shtml (http://www.un.org/sc/commissions/1267/aq_sanctions_list.shtml).

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