COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2023/1496

of 20 July 2023

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) In its conclusions of 23 March 2023, the European Council reiterated its resolute condemnation of Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine, which constitutes a manifest violation of the UN Charter. The European Council also reiterated that the Union remains committed to maintaining and increasing collective pressure on Russia, including through possible further restrictive measures.
- (4) Iran provides military support for Russia's unprovoked and unjustified war of aggression against Ukraine. In view of the gravity of the situation, the Council considers that five individuals 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.

⁽¹⁾ OJ L 78, 17.3.2014, p. 6.

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, 20 July 2023.

For the Council The President J. BORRELL FONTELLES

20.7.2023

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ANNEX

The following persons 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
1573.	Hamid Reza SHARIFI TEHRANI حمید رضا شریفی تهر انی a.k.a Hamidreza SHARIFI TEHRANI	Function: Member of the Board of Directors of Qods Aviation Industries DOB: 6.7.1974 POB: Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male	Hamid Reza Sharifi Tehrani is a primary member of the Board of Directors of Qods Aviation Industries (QAI), an entity that is selling Mohajer-6 drones to Russia in order to be used in Russia's war of aggression against Ukraine. In his role, he is therefore responsible for actions and policies which undermine and threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	20.7.2023
1574.	Ali Reza TANGSIRI علیر ضا تنگسیر ی	Function: Commander of the IRGC Navy and chairman of the Board of Directors and member of the Board of Paravar Pars Company DOB: 27.8.1963 POB: Arvandkenar, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male	Ali Reza Tangsiri is commander of the IRGC Navy and chairman of the Board of Directors and a member of the Board of Paravar Pars Company, which has produced Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) for the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) Aerospace Force (IRGC AF) and has tested UAVs for the IRGC Navy. In particular, Paravar Pars Company was involved in the research, development and production of the Iranian Shahed-171 UAV developed by the IRGC AF. Shahed-171 UAVs produced in Iran are used by the Russian Federation in the war of aggression against Ukraine. In his role, he is therefore responsible for actions and policies which undermine and threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	20.7.2023
1575.	Mohsen ASADI محسن اسدی	Function: Member of the Board of Paravar Pars Company DOB: 16.9.1971 POB: Kerman, Iran Gender: male	Mohsen Asadi is a member of the Board of Paravar Pars Company, which has produced Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) for the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) Aerospace Force (IRGC AF) and has tested UAVs for the IRGC Navy. In particular, Paravar Pars Company was involved in the research, development and production of the Iranian Shahed-171 UAV developed by the IRGC AF. Shahed-171 UAVs produced in Iran are used by the Russian Federation in the war of aggression against Ukraine. In his role, he is therefore responsible for actions and policies which undermine and threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	20.7.2023

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1576.	Mohammad Reza MOHAMMADI محمد ر ضا محمدی	Function: Member of the Board of Paravar Pars Company DOB: 16.4.1971 POB: Tehran, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male	Mohammad Reza Mohammadi is a member of the Board of Paravar Pars Company, which has produced Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) for the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) Aerospace Force (IRGC AF) and has tested UAVs for the IRGC Navy. In particular, Paravar Pars Company was involved in the research, development and production of the Iranian Shahed-171 UAV developed by the IRGC AF. Shahed-171 UAVs produced in Iran are used by the Russian Federation in the war of aggression against Ukraine. In his role, he is therefore responsible for actions and policies which undermine and threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	20.7.2023
1577.	Mohammad Sadegh Heidari MOUSA محمد صادق حیدری موسی	Function: Member of the Board of Paravar Pars Company DOB: 24.9.1977 POB: Shahrebabak, Iran Nationality: Iranian Gender: male	Mohammad Sadegh Heidari Mousa is a member of the Board of Paravar Pars Company, which has produced Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAVs) for the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) Aerospace Force (IRGC AF) and has tested UAVs for the IRGC Navy. In particular, Paravar Pars Company was involved in the research, development and production of the Iranian Shahed-171 UAV developed by the IRGC AF. Shahed-171 UAVs produced in Iran are used by the Russian Federation in the war of aggression against Ukraine. In his role, he is therefore responsible for actions and policies which undermine and threaten the territorial integrity, sovereignty and independence of Ukraine.	20.7.2023'