

**UNITED NATIONS ACT 1946  
COUNCIL REGULATION (EC) NO 337/2000**

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**AFGHANISTAN (TALIBAN)**

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**INTRODUCTION**

1. Paragraph 4(b) of UN Security Council resolution 1267(1999) called upon States to freeze the funds and other financial resources, including funds derived or generated from property, owned or controlled directly or indirectly by the Taliban, or by any undertaking owned or controlled by the Taliban, as designated by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1267.
2. The entities and/or persons listed in Annex 1 to this Notice have so far been identified by the Committee as falling under one of the categories referred to in paragraph 4(b) of UN Security Council resolution 1267.
3. Effect is given in the UK to UN Security Council resolution 1267 by the Afghanistan (United Nations Sanctions) Order 1999 (SI 1999 No.3133), [made under section 1 of the United Nations Act 1946]. Article 4(1) of the Order provides: "Except under the authority of a written licence granted by or on behalf of the Treasury under this article, no person shall make any funds to which this article applies available to or for the benefit of the Taliban or any such undertaking". The article applies to funds owned or controlled by the Taliban or by such an undertaking, as designated by the Sanctions Committee.
4. The Council of the European Union have also adopted legislation under Council Regulation (EC) No.337/2000. The Regulation was published in the Official Journal of the European Communities on 16 February 2000 (reference L43/2).

**Taliban Accounts**

5. The sterling or foreign currency accounts of the entities listed in the annex, held in the United Kingdom with institutions authorised under the Banking Act 1987 or the Building Societies Act 1986 should be designated and are referred to below as "Taliban accounts". Funds held by stockbrokers, solicitors, accountants, etc., on behalf of the Taliban should be placed in a separate account which should be designated as a Taliban account.

### **Payments involving Taliban Accounts**

6. Payments from Taliban accounts are prohibited unless a written licence has been granted by the Bank of England, acting on behalf of the Treasury, in accordance with Article 4(1) of SI 1999 No.3133. The grant of such a licence will be dependent on the authorisation of an exemption by the UN Sanctions Committee. The Committee may authorise exemptions, on a case by case basis, only on the grounds of humanitarian need. Applications to the Committee must be submitted via the Bank of England.

### **Provision of information**

7. All banks, building societies, other financial institutions and other bodies and persons in the UK are required to inform the Bank of England of all funds and financial resources that they have frozen pursuant to this Notice.

### **Enquiries**

8. Enquiries concerning this Notice should be addressed to the Bank of England, Threadneedle Street, London, EC2R 8AH and marked for the attention of the Sanctions Emergency Unit (SEU). Enquiries may also be made by facsimile transmission (020 7601 4309) and by Email (sanctions.unit@bofe.co.uk).
9. Telephone enquiries may be made to 020 7601 4768/5811/4607

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Entities and /or persons designated by the United Nations Sanctions Committee:-

Ariana Afghan Airlines (formerly known as Bakhtat Afghan Airlines);

Banke Millie Afghan (a.k.a. Afghan National Bank; a.k.a. Bank E. Millie Afghan);

Da Afghanistan Bank (a.k.a. Bank of Afghanistan, a.k.a. Central Bank of Afghanistan; a.k.a. The Afghan State Bank);

Omar, Mohammed (individual) Leader of the Faithful (“Amir ul-Mumineen”), Afghanistan (DOB 1950; Place of birth Kandahar Province Afghanistan).

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