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Circular to Dealers in Precious Metals and Stones Anti-Money Laundering / Counter-Terrorist Financing

United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of Congo) Regulation 2019

Further to our circular issued on 23 January 2024, an updated list of "individuals and entities" was published under section 29 of the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of Congo) Regulation 2019 (Cap. 537CJ) on the website of the Commerce and Economic Development Bureau ("CEDB") on 21 February 2024.

Relevant press release issued by the UNSC, reflecting the updates since the previous list was published on the website of the CEDB, is available at – <u>https://press.un.org/en/2024/sc15597.doc.htm</u>.

The aforesaid list can be found on the website of the CEDB at https://www.cedb.gov.hk/assets/document/cedb/policies/sanctions/20240220%20DR%20Con go_List%20(Eng).pdf.

Dealers in precious metals and stones are reminded to report any transactions or relationships they have with any designated person or entity to the Joint Financial Intelligence Unit. Category B registrants ("CBRs") are further reminded to refer to Chapters 6 & 7 of the "Guideline on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Financing of Terrorism (For Category B Registrants Dealing in Precious Metals and Stones)" which contains guidance on the appropriate measures that CBRs should take to ensure compliance with the relevant requirements.

Should you have any queries, please contact us at 3580 1484.

Dealers in Precious Metals and Stones Supervision Bureau Customs and Excise Department