



25 October 2006

FINANCIAL SANCTIONS: BELARUS

This news release is issued in respect of the financial measures taken against Belarus.

With the publication of Commission Regulation (EC) No 1587/2006 in the Official Journal of the European Union (O.J. L294, 25.10.2006, p.25) on 25 October 2006, the Commission of the European Communities has amended the list of those subject to the financial sanctions applicable to President Lukashenko and certain other officials of Belarus who are responsible for the violations of international electoral standards in the Presidential elections in Belarus on 19 March 2006 and the crackdown on civil society and democratic opposition. The list of targeted persons set out in Annex I to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1587/2006 amends the list of targeted persons in Annex I to Council Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 by adding four individuals and amending the identifiers of one existing entry as set out below:

ADDITIONS

Individuals

1. BORTNIK, Sergei

DOB: 28 May 1953
POB: Minsk, Belarus
Passport Details: MP 0469554
Address: Ul. Surganovo 80-263, Minsk, Belarus
Position: Public Prosecutor

2. MIGUN, Andrei

DOB: 5 February 1978
POB: Minsk, Belarus
Passport Details: MP 1313262
Address: Ul. Goretskovo 53-16, Minsk, Belarus
Position: Public Prosecutor

3. RYBAKOV, Alexei

Address: Ul. Jesenina 31-1-104, Minsk, Belarus
Position: Judge of the Minsk Moskovsky District Court

4. YASINOVICH, Leonid, Stanislavovich

DOB: 26 November 1961

POB: Buchany, Vitebsk district, Belarus

Passport Details: MP 0515811

Address: Ul. Gorovtza 4-104, Minsk, Belarus

Position: Judge of the Minsk Tsentralny District Court

AMENDMENT

(Additional information shown in italics. Deleted information shown in strikethrough).

Individual

1. NAUMOV, Vladimir, Vladimirovich

DOB: ~~1956~~ *7 February 1956*

Position: Minister of the Interior

The Bank of England, on behalf of Her Majesty's Treasury, therefore announces that with effect from 25 October 2006 all funds or economic resources belonging to the persons listed in Annex I to Council Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 as amended by the Annex to Commission Regulation (EC) No 1587/2006 must be frozen. No funds or economic resources are to be made available, directly or indirectly, to or for the benefit of the listed persons. Financial institutions and other bodies and persons in the UK must check whether they maintain any accounts or otherwise hold any funds for the individuals named and, if so, they should freeze the accounts and report the accounts or other funds and amounts frozen to the Bank of England.

Copies of this Commission Regulation, the previous Regulation and the related Bank Notice regarding the financial sanctions regime against President Lukashenko and certain other officials of Belarus who are responsible for the violations of international electoral standards in the Presidential elections in Belarus on 19 March 2006 and the crackdown on civil society and democratic opposition are available from the Financial Sanctions pages of the Bank of England website:

<http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/publications/financialsanctions/index.htm>.

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