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I, SIMON COVENEY, Minister for Enterprise, Trade and Employment, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 3 of the European Communities Act 1972 (No. 27 of 1972) and for the purpose of giving full effect to Council Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 of 18 January 2012¹, as amended, hereby make the following regulations:

1. These Regulations may be cited as the European Union (Restrictive Measures concerning Syria) Regulations 2023.

2. (1) In these Regulations -

“Council Regulation” means Council Regulation (EU) No 36/2012 of 18 January 2012¹ as amended by the European acts specified in Schedule 1;

“European act” means an act adopted by an institution of the European Union or an institution of the European Communities.

(2) A word or expression which is used in these Regulations and which is also used in the Council Regulation has, unless the context otherwise requires, the same meaning in these Regulations as it has in the Council Regulation.

3. A person who contravenes a provision of the Council Regulation specified in Part 1 of Schedule 2 shall be guilty of an offence.

4. Notwithstanding Regulation 3, a person who has received an authorisation under an Article of the Council Regulation specified in Part 2 of Schedule 2 may, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions of such authorisation, do such of the things as are so authorised.

5. A person who is guilty of an offence under Regulation 3 shall be liable -

- (a) on summary conviction, to a class A fine or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 12 months or both, or
- (b) on conviction on indictment, to a fine not exceeding €500,000 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years or both.

6. A competent authority in the State, following such consultation as it considers necessary with other competent authorities, for the purposes of the

¹ OJ L16, 19.1.2012, p.1

administration and enforcement of the Council Regulation or these Regulations, may give in writing such directions to a person as it sees fit.

7. A person who fails to comply with a direction given under Regulation 6 within the time specified in the direction shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a class A fine or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months or both.

8. Where an offence under these Regulations is committed by a body corporate and is proved to have been so committed with the consent or connivance of or to be attributable to any neglect on the part of any person, being a director, manager, secretary or other officer of the body corporate, or a person who was purporting to act in such capacity, that person shall, as well as the body corporate, be guilty of an offence and shall be liable to be proceeded against and punished as if he or she were guilty of the first-mentioned offence.

9. (1) Proceedings for an offence under these Regulations in relation to an act committed outside the State may be taken in any place in the State and the offence may for all incidental purposes be treated as having been committed in that place.

(2) Where a person is charged with an offence referred to in paragraph (1), no further proceedings in the matter (other than any remand in custody or on bail) may be taken except by or with the consent of the Director of Public Prosecutions.

(3) In proceedings for an offence referred to in paragraph (1),

- (a) a certificate purporting to be signed by an officer of the Department of Foreign Affairs and stating that a passport was issued by that Department to a person on a specified date, and
- (b) a certificate that is signed by an officer of the Minister for Justice and stating that, to the best of the officer's knowledge and belief, the person has not ceased to be an Irish citizen,

is evidence that the person was an Irish citizen on the date on which the offence is alleged to have been committed, and is taken to have been signed by the person purporting to have signed it, unless the contrary is shown.

(4) A person who has been acquitted or convicted of an offence in a place outside the State shall not be proceeded against for an offence under these Regulations in relation to an act committed outside the State consisting of the conduct, or substantially the same conduct, that constituted the offence of which the person has been acquitted or convicted.

10. European Union (Restrictive Measures concerning Syria) (No. 3) Regulations 2022 (S.I. No. 501 of 2022) are revoked.

Schedule 1

Council Regulation

1. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 55/2012 of 23 January 2012²
2. Council Regulation (EU) No 168/2012 of 27 February 2012³
3. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 266/2012 of 23 March 2012⁴
4. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 410/2012 of 14 May 2012⁵
5. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 509/2012 of 15 June 2012⁶
6. Council Implementing Regulation 2012/544/CFSP of 25 June 2012⁷
7. Council Regulation (EU) No 545/2012 of 25 June 2012⁸
8. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 673/2012 of 23 July 2012⁹
9. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 742/2012 of 16 August 2012¹⁰
10. Council Regulation (EU) No 867/2012 of 24 September 2012¹¹
11. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 944/2012 of 15 October 2012¹²
12. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1117/2012 of 29 November 2012¹³
13. Council Regulation (EU) No 325/2013 of 10 April 2013¹⁴
14. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 363/2013 of 22 April 2013¹⁵
15. Council Regulation (EU) No 517/2013 of 13 May 2013¹⁶
16. Council Regulation (EU) No 697/2013 of 22 July 2013¹⁷
17. Council Regulation (EU) No 1332/2013 of 13 December 2013¹⁸
18. Council Regulation (EU) No 124/2014 of 10 February 2014¹⁹
19. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 578/2014 of 28 May 2014²⁰

² OJ L 19, 24.1.2012, p.6

³ OJ L 54, 28.2.2012, p.1

⁴ OJ L 87, 24.3.2012, p.45

⁵ OJ L 126, 15.5.2012, p.3

⁶ OJ L 156, 16.6.2012, p.10

⁷ OJ L 165, 26.6.2012, p.20

⁸ OJ L 165, 26.6.2012, p.23

⁹ OJ L 196, 24.7.2012, p.8

¹⁰ OJ L 219, 17.8.2012, p.1

¹¹ OJ L 257, 25.9.2012, p.1

¹² OJ L 282, 16.10.2012, p.9

¹³ OJ L 330, 30.11.2012, p.9

¹⁴ OJ L 102, 11.4.2013, p.1

¹⁵ OJ L 111, 23.4.2013, p.1

¹⁶ OJ L 158, 10.6.2013, p.1

¹⁷ OJ L 198, 23.7.2013, p.28

¹⁸ OJ L 335, 14.12.2013, p.3

¹⁹ OJ L 40, 11.2.2014, p.8

²⁰ OJ L 160, 29.5.2014, p.11

20. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 693/2014 of 23 June 2014²¹
21. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 793/2014 of 22 July 2014²²
22. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1013/2014 of 26 September 2014²³
23. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) No 1105/2014 of 20 October 2014²⁴
24. Council Regulation (EU) No 1323/2014 of 12 December 2014²⁵
25. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/108 of 26 January 2015²⁶
26. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/375 of 6 March 2015²⁷
27. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/780 of 19 May 2015²⁸
28. Council Regulation (EU) 2015/827 of 28 May 2015²⁹
29. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/828 of 28 May 2015³⁰
30. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/961 of 22 June 2015³¹
31. Council Regulation (EU) 2015/1828 of 12 October 2015³²
32. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2015/2350 of 16 December 2015³³
33. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/840 of 27 May 2016³⁴
34. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1893 of 27 October 2016³⁵
35. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1984 of 14 November 2016³⁶
36. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1996 of 15 November 2016³⁷
37. Council Regulation (EU) 2016/2137 of 6 December 2016³⁸
38. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/480 of 20 March 2017³⁹

²¹ OJ L 183, 24.6.2014, p.15

²² OJ L 217, 23.7.2014, p.10

²³ OJ L 283, 27.9.2014, p.9

²⁴ OJ L 301, 21.10.2014, p.7

²⁵ OJ L 358, 13.12.2014, p.1

²⁶ OJ L 20, 27.1.2015, p.2

²⁷ OJ L 64, 7.3.2015, p.10

²⁸ OJ L 124, 20.5.2015, p.1

²⁹ OJ L 132, 29.5.2015, p.1

³⁰ OJ L 132, 29.5.2015, p.3

³¹ OJ L 157, 23.6.2015, p.20

³² OJ L 266, 13.10.2015, p.1

³³ OJ L 331, 17.12.2015, p.1

³⁴ OJ L 141, 28.5.2016, p.30

³⁵ OJ L 293, 28.10.2016, p.25

³⁶ OJ L 305 I, 14.11.2016, p.1

³⁷ OJ L 308, 16.11.2016, p.3

³⁸ OJ L 332, 7.12.2016, p.3

³⁹ OJ L 75, 21.3.2017, p.12

39. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/907 of 29 May 2017⁴⁰
40. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1241 of 10 July 2017⁴¹
41. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1327 of 17 July 2017⁴²
42. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/1751 of 25 September 2017⁴³
43. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/282 of 26 February 2018⁴⁴
44. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/420 of 19 March 2018⁴⁵
45. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/774 of 28 May 2018⁴⁶
46. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2019/85 of 21 January 2019⁴⁷
47. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/211 of 17 February 2020⁴⁸
48. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/716 of 28 May 2020⁴⁹
49. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1505 of 16 October 2020⁵⁰
50. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/29 of 15 January 2021⁵¹
51. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/743 of 6 May 2021⁵²
52. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/848 of 27 May 2021⁵³
53. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/1983 of 15 November 2021⁵⁴
54. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2021/2194 of 13 December 2021⁵⁵
55. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/237 of 21 February 2022⁵⁶
56. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/299 of 24 February 2022⁵⁷
57. Council Regulation (EU) 2023/407 of 23 February 2023⁵⁸
58. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/844 of 24 April 2023⁵⁹

⁴⁰ OJ L 139, 30.5.2017, p.15

⁴¹ OJ L 178, 11.7.2017, p.1

⁴² OJ L 185, 18.7.2017, p.20

⁴³ OJ L 246, 26.9.2017, p.1

⁴⁴ OJ L 54 I, 26.2.2018, p.3

⁴⁵ OJ L 75 I, 19.3.2018, p.1

⁴⁶ OJ L 131, 29.5.2018, p.1

⁴⁷ OJ L 18, 21.1.2019, p.4

⁴⁸ OJ L 43, 17.2.2020, p.1

⁴⁹ OJ L 168, 29.5.2020, p.1

⁵⁰ OJ L 342 I, 16.10.2020, p.1

⁵¹ OJ L 12 I, 15.01.2021, p.1

⁵² OJ L 160, 07.05.2021, p.1

⁵³ OJ L 188, 28.05.2021, p.18

⁵⁴ OJ L 402 I, 15.11.2021, p.1

⁵⁵ OJ L 445 I, 13.12.2021, p.7

⁵⁶ OJ L 40, 21.02.2022, p.6

⁵⁷ OJ L 46, 25.02.2022, p.1

⁵⁸ OJ L 56 I, 23.2.2023, p.1

⁵⁹ OJ L 109 I, 24.4.2023, p.1

58. Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/1027 of 25 May 2023⁶⁰

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⁶⁰ OJ L 139, 26.05.2023, p.1

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