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## Circular to Money Service Operators Anti-Money Laundering / Counter-Terrorist Financing

## **United Nations Sanctions (Sudan) Regulation 2013**

Further to our circular issued on 7 April 2021, an updated list of "individuals and entities" was published under section 31 of the United Nations Sanctions (Sudan) Regulation 2013 (Cap. 537 sub. leg. BF) in the Gazette on 15 November 2024 (G.N. (E.) 43 of 2024). A relevant press release issued by the United Nations Security Council, reflecting the updates since the previous list was published in the Gazette, is available at <a href="https://press.un.org/en/2024/sc15892.doc.htm">https://press.un.org/en/2024/sc15892.doc.htm</a>.

The aforesaid gazette notice can be found on the Government's website at <a href="https://www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/english/index.html">https://www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/english/index.html</a>.

Money Service Operators ("MSOs") are reminded to refer to Chapter 6 of the Guideline on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Financing of Terrorism (For MSOs) which contains guidance on the appropriate measures that MSOs should take to ensure compliance with the regulations made under the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap.537).

The Customs and Excise Department expects all new designations to be screened by MSOs against their client lists as soon as practicable whenever there are updates. MSOs are also reminded to report any transactions or relationships they have or have had with any designated person or entity to the Joint Financial Intelligence Unit.

Should you have any queries regarding the contents of this circular, please contact us at 3742 7742.

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