

Central African Republic sanctions: guidance

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Statutory guidance for the Central African Republic sanctions regime, plus a summary of its purposes, scope and prohibitions.

The Central African Republic (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020, and other contributory regulations, are in force to implement certain UN obligations and to meet the UK's policy objectives.

This summary gives a quick overview of the sanctions in place under the regime. It is not comprehensive and is not a replacement for the statutory guidance or the regulations themselves.

Summary

Regime is limited in scope to:

1. sanctions targeting designated persons
2. sanctions in respect of military goods and technology, and
3. sanctions in respect of enabling or facilitating armed hostilities

Designated persons

The UK Sanctions List tells you who is designated under the regime and which sanctions have been applied to them. A designated person can be an individual, a business or an organisation.

The statutory guidance lists in detail the sanctions that can apply in respect of designated persons, including:

- an asset freeze on their funds and other assets
- making available funds or economic resources to them or for their benefit
- director disqualification
- immigration sanction (travel ban)

Sanctioned goods and services

You must not export or otherwise supply or transfer to an armed group operating in the CAR or an associated individual certain goods in these categories (this is not an exhaustive list):

- military, security and para-military goods, software and technology and arms, ammunition and related material

Related financial services, brokering services and technical assistance may also be subject to sanctions.

You must not provide technical assistance, armed personnel, financial services or brokering services to or for the benefit of an armed group operating in the CAR or an associated individual, that relates to their operations or otherwise enables or facilitates the conduct of armed hostilities in the CAR.

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