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

(1) United Nations Sanctions (South Sudan) Regulation 2019 (Amendment) Regulation 2022

The United Nations Sanctions (South Sudan) Regulation 2019 (Amendment) Regulation 2022 (“South Sudan Amendment Regulation”), made under the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) (“UNSO”), was published in the Gazette (L.N. 179 of 2022) on 23 September 2022 with immediate effect.

South Sudan Amendment Regulation implements sanctions against South Sudan as renewed by the United Nations Security Council (“UNSC”) under Resolution 2633, which include, inter alia:

- prohibition against the provision of technical assistance, training or financial or other assistance related to military activities in certain circumstances
- prohibition against making available to, or for the benefit of, certain persons or entities any funds or other financial assets or economic resources
- prohibition against dealing with funds or other financial assets or economic resources belonging to, or owned or controlled by, certain persons or entities

(2) United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2019 (Amendment) Regulation 2022

The United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2019 (Amendment) Regulation 2022 (“the DRC Amendment Regulation”), made under the UNSO, was published in the Gazette (L.N. 178 of 2022) on 23 September 2022 with immediate effect.

The DRC Amendment Regulation implements sanctions against the Democratic Republic of the Congo as renewed by the UNSC under Resolution 2641, which include, inter alia:

- prohibition against making available to, or for the benefit of, certain persons or entities any funds or other financial assets or economic resources
- prohibition against dealing with funds or other financial assets or economic resources belonging to, or owned or controlled by, certain persons or entities

The aforesaid regulations in item (1) and (2) can be found on the Government’s website at <https://www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/english/index.html>.

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 UNSO.



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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 2707 7800.

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