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COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2024/2755
of 24 October 2024
implementing Regulation (EU) 2022/2309 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in
Haiti

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2022/2309 of 25 November 2022 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Haiti ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 16(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 25 November 2022, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2022/2309.
- (2) On 27 September 2024, the United Nations Security Council ('UNSC') Committee established pursuant to UNSC Resolution 2653 (2022), added two persons to the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures.
- (3) Regulation (EU) 2022/2309 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2022/2309 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 24 October 2024.

For the Council

The President

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⁽¹⁾ OJ L 307, 28.11.2022, p. 17.

ANNEX

In Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2022/2309, in the 'List of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies referred to in Article 2, 3 and 9', under 'PERSONS', the following entries are added:

6. **Prophane VICTOR**. Listed pursuant to paragraph 15 of UNSC Resolution 2653 (2022) for the measures listed in paragraphs 3, 6, and 11, as further elaborated by paragraphs 16(a) and 16(b) of that Resolution.

Function: Former member of the Haitian Parliament, involved in weapons trafficking and using violence to secure political gain.

DOB: –

POB: –

Nationality: Haitian

Date of UN designation: 27 September 2024

Gender: male

Additional information from the narrative summary of reasons for listing provided by the Sanctions Committee:

Prophane Victor has long been involved in activities that threaten the peace, security, and stability of Haiti, as well as the entire region. In particular, he has been supporting and arming gangs, trafficking weapons, diverting government revenues, and using violence to secure his political and financial gains.

Prophane Victor served in the most recent National Assembly (2016-2020), where he was Member of Parliament (*député*) for Petite Riviere, Artibonite department, an area with increasing levels of violence and gang control. To secure his election as *député* in 2016 and his control over the area, Prophane Victor started arming young men in Petite Riviere who went on to form the Gran Grif gang, currently the main perpetrator of human rights abuses, including sexual violence, in the Artibonite department (see S/2023/674, para 75). He is no longer a Member of Parliament and is not serving in any political position.

In addition to securing his political foothold through the use of gangs, Victor is a former senior Customs officer and a businessman who has control over parts of the Customs department, allowing him to build wealth and enabling him to engage in a range of criminal activities with impunity. According to reporting from January 2023, Victor threatened customs officers in their work.

Victor continued to support Gran Grif gang until 2020 and has since supported rival gangs in that area (see S/2023/674, para 75).

7. **Luckson ELAN**. Listed pursuant to paragraph 15 of UNSC Resolution 2653 (2022) for the measures listed in paragraphs 3, 6, and 11, as further elaborated by paragraphs 16(a), 16(b), 16(d), 16(e), and 16(f) of that Resolution.

Function: Leader of Gran Grif gang

DOB: 6 January 1988

POB: –

Nationality: Haitian

Date of UN designation: 27 September 2024

Gender: male

Additional information from the narrative summary of reasons for listing provided by the Sanctions Committee:

Luckson Elan, leader of the Gran Grif gang, has long been involved in activities that threaten the peace, security, and stability of Haiti, as well as the entire region. His gang is the largest and most powerful in the Artibonite Department and has been expanding its territorial control, committing human rights abuses, and trafficking weapons and ammunition.

On February 8, 2023, members of the Coalition of Jean Denis self-defence group intercepted a vehicle coming from Port-au-Prince which was carrying several crates of arms and ammunition destined for the Gran Grif gang (see OHCHR report, "Criminal Violence Extends beyond Port-au-Prince," Nov 2023).

Under Elan's leadership, the human rights abuses and other crimes committed by the gang include extrajudicial killings, rape, recruitment of children, robbery, destruction of property, kidnapping, and hijacking of trucks. For example, on November 30, 2023, Luckson Elan killed a woman for refusing to have sexual relations with him. In April 2024, Gran Grif committed attacks on the judiciary by killing two lawyers.

Between October 2023 and January 2024, Gran Grif committed nine mass kidnappings, including 157 people. Gran Grif has also committed some of the highest levels of child recruitment in Haiti.'.
