

Overview of current sanctions measures concerning the Central African Republic (CAR)

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1. United Nations (UN) sanctions concerning the Central African Republic (CAR)

ASSETS FREEZE

All Member States shall, through 31 July 2024, continue to freeze without delay all funds, other financial assets and economic resources which are on their territories, which are owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by the individuals or entities designated by the Committee, or by individuals or entities acting on their behalf or at their direction, or by entities owned or controlled by them, and decides further that all Member States shall continue to ensure that any funds, financial assets or economic resources are prevented from being made available by their nationals or by any individuals or entities within their territories, to or for the benefit of the individuals or entities designated by the Committee.

TRAVEL BAN

All Member States shall, through 31 July 2024 continue to take the necessary measures to prevent the entry into or transit through their territories of individuals designated by the Committee, provided that nothing in this paragraph shall oblige a State to refuse its own nationals entry into its territory, and calls upon the CAR Government to enhance cooperation and information sharing with other States in this regard.

ARMS EMBARGO

- Until 31 July 2024, Member States shall continue to take the necessary measures to prevent the direct or indirect supply, sale or transfer to the CAR, from or through their territories or by their nationals, or using their flag vessels or aircraft, of arms and related materiel of all types, including weapons and ammunition, military vehicles and equipment, paramilitary equipment, and spare parts for the aforementioned, and technical assistance, training, financial or other assistance, related to military activities or the provision, maintenance or use of any arms and related materiel, including the provision of armed mercenary personnel whether or not originating in their territories.
- All Member States are authorized to, and all Member States shall, upon discovery of items prohibited seize, register and dispose (such as through destruction, rendering inoperable, storage or transferring to a State other than the originating or destination States for disposal) items the supply, sale, transfer or export of which is prohibited and decides further that all Member States shall cooperate in such efforts.
- Renews until 31 July 2024 the measures and provisions as set out in paragraph 4 of resolution 2488 (2019), except for the supply, sale or transfer of arms and related materiel and the provision of assistance, advice and training to the CAR security forces, in paragraph 5 of resolution 2488 (2019) and in paragraph 2 of resolution 2399 (2018) and recalls paragraph 9 of resolution 2488 (2019).

SOURCE: <https://main.un.org/securitycouncil/en/sanctions/2127>

2. United States (US) sanctions concerning the Central African Republic (CAR)

ARMS EMBARGO

Policy of denial for defense articles and defense services to the Central African Republic.

ASSETS FREEZE

All property and interests in property that are in the United States, that hereafter come within the United States, or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of any United States person (including any foreign branch), of the designated persons are blocked and may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in.

TRAVEL BAN

The unrestricted immigrant and nonimmigrant entry into the United States of designated aliens would be detrimental to the interests of the United States, and the entry into the United States, as immigrants or nonimmigrants, of such persons is suspended.

SOURCE:

<https://ofac.treasury.gov/sanctions-programs-and-country-information/central-african-republic-sanctions>

3. European Union (EU) sanctions concerning the Central African Republic (CAR)

ARMS EMBARGO

The sale, supply, transfer or export of arms and related materiel of all types, including weapons and ammunition, military vehicles and equipment, paramilitary equipment, and spare parts for the aforementioned to the Central African Republic ('CAR') by nationals of Member States or from the territories of Member States or using their flag vessels or aircraft shall be prohibited whether originating or not in their territories, including technical assistance, brokering services, provide financing or financial assistance, and other related services.

TRAVEL BAN

Member States shall take the necessary measures to prevent the entry into, or transit through, their territories of the listed persons.

ASSETS FREEZE

All funds and economic resources owned or controlled directly or indirectly by listed persons, entities or bodies shall be frozen.

No funds or economic resources shall be made available directly or indirectly to or for the benefit of the listed natural or legal persons, entities or bodies.

SOURCE:

<https://www.sanctionsmap.eu/#/main/details/9/?search=%7B%22value%22:%22%22,%22searchType%22:%7B%7D%7D>

4. United Kingdom (UK) sanctions concerning the Central African Republic (CAR)

The Central African Republic (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2020 put in place sanctions measures to encourage the government of the Central African Republic to comply with the relevant UN obligations.

PROHIBITIONS ON FINANCE

- Asset freeze in relation to designated persons

- Prohibition to make funds available to, or for the benefit of, designated persons
- Prohibition to make economic resources available to, or for the benefit of, designated persons
- Prohibition on circumventing

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PROHIBITIONS ON IMMIGRATION

- Refusal of leave to enter and/or remain in the United Kingdom
- Cancelling a persons leave to enter or remain in the United Kingdom

PROHIBITIONS ON TRADE

- Arms embargo - prohibition on export, supply, delivery, making available, transfer, technical assistance, financial services, brokering services in relation to military goods and military technology
- Prohibition on enabling or facilitating the conduct of armed hostilities
- Prohibition on circumventing

SOURCE:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guinea-bissau-sanctions-guidance/guidance-to-accompany-the-republic-of-guinea-bissau-sanctions-eu-exit-regulations-2019>

5. Canada sanctions concerning the Central African Republic (CAR)

Sanctions related to Central African Republic (CAR) were enacted under the United Nations Act to give effect to United Nations Security Council resolutions. Subject to certain exceptions, the measures imposed against CAR include:

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- Prohibition on the export of arms and related materiel to CAR or to any person in CAR;
- Prohibition on the provision, to the CAR or to any person in the CAR, of technical or financial assistance related to military activities or armed mercenaries;

FINANCIAL RESTRICTIONS

Asset freeze against persons designated by the UN committee established by Resolution 2127 (2013) to oversee the sanctions against CAR (the 2127 Committee); and

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Travel ban against persons designated by the 2127 Committee.

SOURCE:

https://www.international.gc.ca/world-monde/international_relations-relations_internationales/sanctions/car-rca.aspx?lang=eng