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Dear Mr. Ho,

**United Nations Sanctions (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) Regulation,
United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2006,
United Nations Sanctions (Cote d'Ivoire) Regulation 2007,
United Nations Sanctions (Sudan) Regulation,
United Nations Sanctions (Iran) Regulation,
United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance &
United States Executive Order 13224**

United Nations Sanctions (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) Regulation

In Hong Kong, the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic People's Republic of Korea) Regulation ("the Korea Regulation") was made under section 3 of the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) to provide for the implementation of the sanctions contained in the United Nations Security Council Resolution 1718 (2006). The Korea Regulation was published in the Gazette (L.N. 120 of 2007) on 15 June 2007 which is available on the Government website (www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/).

United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2006

Further to my letter of 24 April 2007, an updated list of the "relevant persons and entities" has been specified under section 36 of the United Nations Sanctions (Democratic Republic of the Congo) Regulation 2006. The list was published in the Gazette (G.N. 3449) on 1 June 2007 which is available on the Government website (www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/). A copy of the list in Portable Document Format (pdf) is also available on the Insurance Authority's website (www.oci.gov.hk/framework/index04_03_07.html).

United Nations Sanctions (Cote d'Ivoire) Regulation 2007

In Hong Kong, the United Nations Sanctions (Cote d'Ivoire) Regulation 2007 ("the Cote d'Ivoire Regulation 2007") was made under the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537) on 27 April 2007. It replaces the United Nations Sanctions (Cote d'Ivoire) Regulation 2006. A list of the "relevant persons and entities" has been specified under section 32 of the Cote d'Ivoire Regulation 2007 on 18 May 2007. The Cote d'Ivoire Regulation 2007 and the list were published in the Gazette (L.N. 64 of 2007 and G.N. 3109 respectively) which are available on the Government website (www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/). A copy of the list in MS Word format is also available on the Insurance Authority's website (www.oci.gov.hk/framework/index04_03_07.html).

United Nations Sanctions (Sudan) Regulation

Further to my letter of 23 June 2006, an updated list of the "relevant persons and entities" has been specified under section 23A of the United Nations Sanctions (Sudan) Regulation. The list was published in the Gazette (G.N. 6273) on 28 September 2007 which is available on the Government website (www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/). The press release issued by the United Nations Security Council Committee ("the Committee") on 8 August 2007 detailing the changes is attached in Appendix I for your reference. A copy of the list in Portable Document Format (pdf) is also available on the Insurance Authority's website (www.oci.gov.hk/framework/index04_03_07.html).

United Nations Sanctions (Iran) Regulation

In Hong Kong, the United Nations Sanctions (Iran) Regulation ("the Iran Regulation"), was made under section 3 of the United Nations Sanctions Ordinance (Cap. 537). A list of persons and entities referred to in the Annex to Resolution 1737 and Annex I to Resolution 1747 adopted by the Committee was specified as relevant persons and entities pursuant to section 31 of the Iran Regulation.

The Iran Regulation and the list of the relevant persons and entities were published in the Gazette (L.N. 179 of 2007 and G.N. 6431) on 28 September 2007 and 5 October 2007 respectively which are available on the Government website (www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/). A copy of the list in Portable Document Format (pdf) is also available on the Insurance Authority's website (www.oci.gov.hk/framework/index04_03_07.html).

United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance

Further to my letter of 24 April 2007, an updated list has been designated by the Committee in accordance with the United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance. The lists were published in the Gazette (G.N. 4626 and G.N. 6271) on 20 July 2007 and 28 September 2007 respectively which are available on the Government website (www.gld.gov.hk/egazette/). Copies of the lists in MS Word format are also available on the Insurance Authority's website (www.oci.gov.hk/framework/index04_03_07.html).

Compared with the names advised in my letter of 24 April 2007, the changes have been set out in Appendix II. The relevant press releases issued by the Committee are also attached for your reference (Appendix III).

United States Executive Order 13224

Further to my letter of 24 April 2007, the US Government has designated additional names to the list under the US Executive Order 13224. The relevant information can be found on the website of the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the US Treasury (www.ustreas.gov/offices/enforcement/ofac/programs/terror/terror.pdf) under the headings of Name of Individuals and/or Entities Designated on 15 June, 24 July, 7 August, 13 August, 10 October and 25 October 2007.

Your members carrying on long term business are advised to review their records carefully to see whether they have had, or currently have, accounts, transactions or dealings with the named individuals or entities. If such review reveals any suspicious accounts, transactions or dealings, they should promptly notify the Joint Financial Intelligence Unit. They are also reminded to browse the above websites regularly for the latest information.

Should you have any enquiries, please contact Ms. Joanne Lin at 2867 2557 or Mr. Edmond Yau at 2867 3339.

Yours sincerely,



(Ms. Carol M. Y. Hui)
for Commissioner of Insurance

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Appendix I

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UNITED NATIONS SANCTIONS ORDINANCE (Chapter 537)

Pursuant to the power delegated by the Chief Executive, I hereby designate, under section 23A of the United Nations Sanctions (Sudan) Regulation (Cap 537 sub.leg. W), the following persons or entities as a relevant person or a relevant entity. This new list supersedes all previous lists designated under section 23A of the said Regulation.

(Frederick S. Ma)

Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	ALIAS	DATE OF BIRTH/ PLACE OF BIRTH/ NATIONALITY	PASSPORT/ IDENTIFYING INFORMATION	DESIGNATION/ JUSTIFICATION
ELHASSAN	Gaffar Mohammed	Gaffar Mohmed Elhassan	24 June 1953		<p>Major-General and Commander of the Western Military Region for the Sudanese Armed Forces (SAF).</p> <p>The Panel of Experts report that Major-General Gaffar Mohammed Elhassan stated to them that he had direct operational command (primarily tactical command) of all elements of the SAF in Darfur while he was in command of the Western Military Region. Elhassan held this position as Western Military Area Commander from November 2004 (approx.) - early 2006. The Panel's information is that Elhassan was responsible for violations of paragraph 7 of SCR 1591 as by virtue of his position he requested (from Khartoum) and authorized (since 29 March 2005) the transfer of military equipment into Darfur without the prior approval of the 1591 Committee. Elhassan himself admitted to the Panel of Experts that aircraft, aircraft engines and other military equipment had been brought into Darfur from other parts of Sudan between 29 March 2005 and December 2005. For example he informed the Panel that 2 Mi-24 attack helicopters were brought unauthorized into Darfur between 18 and 21 September 2005. There are also reasonable grounds to believe that Elhassan was directly responsible, as Western Military Area Commander, for authorizing offensive military flights in the area around Abu Hamra, 23-24 July 2005 and in the Jebel Moon area of Western Darfur, on 19 November 2005. Mi-24 attack</p>

					<p>helicopters were involved in both operations and reportedly opened fire on both occasions. The Panel of Experts report that Elhassan indicated to the Panel that he himself approved requests for air support and other air operations in his capacity as Western Military Area Commander. (See Panel of Experts report, S/2006/65, paragraphs 266-269.) Through such actions Major-General Gaffar Mohamed Elhassan has breached relevant provisions of SCR 1591 and therefore meets the criteria to be designated by the Committee to be subjected to sanctions.</p>
HILAL	(Sheikh) Musa				<p>Paramount Chief of the Jelul Tribe in North Darfur.</p> <p>Report from Human Rights Watch states they have a memo dated 13 February 2004 from a local government office in North Darfur ordering "security units in the locality" to "allow the activities of the mujahideen and the volunteers under the command of the Sheikh Musa Hilal to proceed in the areas of [North Darfur] and to secure their vital roads". On 28 September 2005, 400 Arab militia attacked the villages of Aro Sharrow (including its IDP camp), Acho, and Gozmena in West Darfur. We also believe that Musa Hilal was present during the attack on Aro Sharrow IDP camp; his son had been killed during the SLA attack on Shareia, so he was now involved in a personal blood feud. There are reasonable grounds to believe that as the Paramount Chief he had direct responsibility for these actions and is responsible for violations of international humanitarian and human rights law and other atrocities.</p>

SHANT	Adam Yacub	Adam Yacub SBarif, Adam Yacoub	Circa 1976		<p>Sudanesse Liberation Army (SLA) Commander.</p> <p>SLA soldiers under the command of Adam Yacub Shant violated the cease-fire agreement by attacking a Government of Sudan military contingent that was escorting a convoy of trucks near Abu Hamra, Northern Darfur on July 23, 2005, killing three soldiers. After the attack Government military weapons and ammunition were looted. The Panel of Experts has information establishing that the attack by SLA soldiers took place and was clearly organized; consequently it was well planned. It is therefore reasonable to assume, as the Panel concluded, that Shant, as the confirmed SLA Commander in the area, must have had knowledge of and approved / or ordered the attack. He therefore bears direct responsibility for the attack and meets the criteria for being listed.</p>
BADRI	Gibri Abdul Kareem	General Gibri Abdul Kareem Darry			<p>National Movement for Reform and Development (NMRD) Field Commander.</p> <p>Badri is responsible for the kidnapping of African Union Mission in Sudan (AMIS) personnel in Darfur during October 2005. Badri openly attempts to thwart the AMIS mission through intimidation, for example he threatened to shoot down African Union (AU) helicopters in the Jebel Moon area in November 2005. Through such actions Badri has clearly violated SCR 1591 in constituting a threat to stability in Darfur and meets the criteria to be designated by the Committee to be subjected to sanctions.</p>

United Nations (Anti-Terrorism Measures) Ordinance

1. The areas of changes are as follows:
 - a) The name of the following individual has been added to the list of individuals belonging to or associated with the Taliban?
 - Sirajuddin Jallaloudine Haqqani
 - b) The names of the following four individuals have been added to the list of individuals belonging to or associated with the Al-Qaida organization?
 - Salem Nor Eldin Amohamed Al-dabski
 - Said Youssef Ali Abu Aziza
 - Aly Soliman Massoud Abdul Sayed
 - Abdelmalek Droukdel
 - c) The information of 63 individuals in the list of individuals belonging to or associated with the Al-Qaida organization? has been updated;
 - d) The information of 62 individuals in the list of individuals belonging to or associated with the Taliban? has been updated;
 - e) The information of two entities in the list of entities belonging to or associated with the Al-Qaida organization? has been updated;
 - f) The only entity (i.e. De Afghanistan Momtaz Bank) in the list of entities belonging to or associated with the Taliban? has been removed and hence that list does not appear in the updated notice; and
 - g) Two entries referring to the same individual (i.e. Abdul Baqi) in the list of individuals belonging to or associated with the Taliban? have been combined into one entry.
2. For details, please refer to the 15 pieces of press release (SC/9003/Rev.1, SC/9005, SC/9017, SC/9034, SC/9039, SC/9046, SC/9070, SC/9072, SC/9077, SC/9087, SC/9099, SC/9100, SC/9107, SC/9116 and SC/9117) issued by the Committee during the period from April to September 2007 (**Appendix III**).