



To: All registrants and licensees

Date: 10th February 2020

Re: United Nations Security Council Committee Sanctions List Amendment:--
Amadou Koufa

The Securities Commission of The Bahamas advises its registrants and licensees that the United Nations Security Council Committee Chair has amended its sanctions list for Amadou Koufa also known as Amadou Barry, Amadou Kouffa, Hamadoun Koufa, Hamadoun Kouffa, Hamadou Koufa, and Hamadou Kouffa.

Amadou Koufa is subject to the travel ban, assets freeze, and arms embargo as set out in paragraph 1 of the Security Council's resolution 2368 (2017) and adopted under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations. The amendment to the list entry is contained in the attached note from the Chair of the United Nations Security Council Committee, reference SCA/2/20/(2).

Please be advised that, pursuant to section 3 of the International Obligations (Economic and Ancillary Measures) (Amendment) Act, 2019, the aforementioned amendments immediately have the effect of law.

The Commission takes this opportunity to remind registrants and licensees of the requirement to file suspicious transaction reports with the Financial Intelligence Unit where required. Licensees and registrants are also reminded to comply with Section 44 of the Anti-Terrorism Act, 2018, the Anti-Terrorism (Amendment) Act, 2019 and the Anti-Terrorism Regulations, 2019.

Licensees and registrants are further urged to regularly consult the following UNSC website addresses, to ensure continued compliance, and accurate record keeping relating to United Nations Security Council Resolutions:

1. UNSC: <https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/>
2. UNSC Sanctions list materials: <https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1718/materials>
3. Consolidated UNSC Sanctions List: <https://scsanctions.un.org/consolidated/>

In addition, the Commission advises that registrants/licensees are required to review all transactions, records and databases against any Orders issued under the International Obligations (Economic and Ancillary Measures) Act, and the United Nations Securities Council Consolidated List on a quarterly basis and provide the Commission with the required reports and confirmations. Quarterly reports should be made by the submission of Form 1A or Form 1B, as appropriate.

Please be advised that failure to submit the required reports may result in disciplinary action, including a minimum fine of \$200.00 per day per Order.

Further, please be reminded that registrants and licensees are also required to file an annual declaration (see: Form 2, attached), certifying that their operations are in full compliance with the provisions of any Orders issued pursuant to the International Obligations (Economic and Ancillary Measures) Act, signed by at least two (2) Directors of its Board of Directors or in the alternative, one (1) Director and the compliance officer registered with the Commission.

A copy of this notice, as well as the abovementioned note from the Chair of the United Nations Security Council Committee can be found on the Commission's website. Any inquiries concerning this notice may be directed to the Commission at:

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REFERENCE: SCA/2/20 (2)

The Chair of the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning ISIL (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities presents his compliments to the Permanent Representatives and Observers to the United Nations and wishes to convey the following:

On 4 February 2020, the Committee approved **the addition of the entry** specified below to its Sanctions List of individuals and entities subject to the assets freeze, travel ban and arms embargo set out in paragraph 1 of Security Council resolution 2368 (2017) and adopted under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations.

A. Individuals

QDi.425 Name: 1: AMADOU 2: KOUFA 3: na 4: na
Title: na **Designation:** na **DOB:** Approximately 1958 **POB:** Koufa, Mali **Good quality a.k.a.:** a) Amadou Barry b) Amadou Kouffa c) Hamadoun Koufa d) Hamadoun Kouffa e) Hamadou Koufa f) Hamadou Kouffa **Low quality a.k.a.:** na **Nationality:** na **Passport no:** na **National identification no:** na **Address:** Mali **Listed on:** 4 Feb.2020 **Other information:** Founder of the Katiba Macina of Jama'a Nusrat ul-Islam wa al-Muslimin (JNIM) (QDe.159), executive of the Organization of Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) (QDe.014). Eye colour: brown. Hair colour: dark. INTERPOL-UN Security Council Special Notice web link: <https://www.interpol.int/en/How-we-work/Notices/View-UN-Notices-Individuals>

The names of individuals and entities on the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List pursuant to a decision by the Committee may be found in the "Press Releases" section on the Committee's website:

<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1267/press-releases>.

To obtain a fully updated version of the List of individuals and entities associated with ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida and subject to the sanctions measures, Member States are encouraged to consult, on a regular basis, the Committee's website at the following

URL: https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1267/aq_sanctions_list. The ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List is available in HTML, PDF and XML format and is updated regularly on the basis of relevant information provided by Member States and international and regional organizations.

The Consolidated United Nations Security Council List is also updated following all changes made to the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List. An updated version of the Consolidated List is accessible via the following URL:

<https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/un-sc-consolidated-list>.

In accordance with paragraph 19 of resolution 1526 (2004), the Secretariat automatically conveys updates of the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List to States, regional and sub-regional organizations by e-mail shortly following the postings of such updates on the Committee's website. Member States are invited to submit any updated or new information for this purpose to the Secretariat by e-mail to:

SC-1267-Committee@un.org or fax: (+1) 212-963-1300. The Committee encourages all States to allow implementation of updates of the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List based on e-mails, soft-copy notices, or website postings.

4 February 2020

Narrative Summary

QDi. 425

Amadou Koufa

Date on which the narrative summary became available on the Committee's website: 4 February 2020

Reasons for listing

Amadou Koufa was listed on 4 February 2020 pursuant to paragraphs 2 and 4 of resolution 2368 (2017) as being associated with ISIL or Al-Qaida for “participating in the financing, planning, facilitating, preparing, or perpetrating of acts or activities by, in conjunction with, under the name of, on behalf of, or in support of”, “recruiting for” and “otherwise supporting acts or activities of” Al-Qaida (QDe.004).

Additional information:

Amadou Koufa is the founder and emir of the Macina Liberation Front, now known as the katiba Macina of Jama'a Nusrat ul-Islam wa al-Muslimin (JNIM) (QDe.159).

He is an executive of the Organization of Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) (QDe.014).

Close to Iyad ag Ghali (QDi.316), chief of Ansar Eddine (QDe.135) and leader of JNIM, Amadou Koufa is one of his religious advisers and his principal representative in the centre of Mali. He appeared alongside Iyad ag Ghali and other JNIM prominent figures in the video proclaiming the creation of JNIM.

Amadou Koufa is behind several dozens of attacks and ambushes against Malian armed forces. He took part in the attack on the city of Konna in January 2013 during the terrorist push towards the South of Mali.

He also carries out activities of recruitment and training for AQIM.

As a member of the judicial committee of the Grand Sahara region for AQIM, Amadou Koufa therefore contributes to the elaboration of the group's strategy in Mali.

He enabled the expansion of the operational sphere of JNIM towards the South of Mali and the border zone with Burkina Faso.

The terrorists responsible for the attacks against the French embassy and the headquarters of the Burkinabe army in Ouagadougou on 2 March 2018 benefited from the logistical support of a member of Amadou Koufa's katiba.

Related listed individuals and entities:

The Organization of Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) (QDe.014), listed on 6 October 2001

Ansar Eddine (QDe.135), listed on 20 March 2013

Jama'a Nusrat ul-Islam wa al-Muslimin (JNIM, QDe.159), listed on 4 October 2018

Iyad ag Ghali (QDi.316), listed on 25 February 2013

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NOTICE

**RE: [Name of (i) International Obligations (Economic and Ancillary Measures) Order Citation/
(ii) Notice of the listing to the United Nations Sanctions List]**

This notice is to confirm that **[Name of Registrant/Licensee]** has conducted a review of its databases and records (including transaction records) for any findings related to **[Cite Order/and/or Individual/entity added to United Nations Sanctions List]**, and hereby confirms that there were no positive results.

Compliance Officer

[REGISTRANT/LICENSEE LETTERHEAD]

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Name of Individual/Entity	Account/Transaction Details

Compliance Officer

[REGISTRANT/LICENSEE LETTERHEAD]

DECLARATION

We, ***[Name of Director]*** and, ***[Name of additional Director/Compliance Officer]*** hereby declare that the operations of [Name of Registrant/Licensee] are in full compliance with the following Orders:

1. ***[List of International Obligations (Economic and Ancillary Measures) Orders relevant to this Declaration].***

DIRECTOR

DIRECTOR/COMPLIANCE OFFICER