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FINANCIAL TRANSFERS (IRAQ) (PROHIBITION) ORDER 2011

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## FINANCIAL TRANSFERS (IRAQ) (PROHIBITION) ORDER 2011

I, MICHAEL NOONAN, Minister for Finance, in exercise of the powers conferred on me by section 4 of the Financial Transfers Act 1992 (No. 27 of 1992) and for the purpose of giving full effect to Council Regulation (EC) No. 1210/2003 of 7 July 2003<sup>1</sup>, as amended, hereby order as follows:

1. This Order may be cited as the Financial Transfers (Iraq) (Prohibition) Order 2011.

2. (1) In this Order—

"Council Regulation" means Council Regulation (EC) No. 1210/2003 of 7 July 2003<sup>1</sup>, as amended by—

- (a) Council Regulation (EC) No. 1799/2003 of 13 October 2003<sup>2</sup>,
- (b) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 2119/2003 of 2 December 2003<sup>3</sup>,
- (c) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 924/2004 of 29 April 2004<sup>4</sup>,
- (d) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 979/2004 of 14 May  $2004^5$ ,
- (e) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 1086/2004 of 9 June  $2004^6$ ,
- (f) Council Regulation (EC) No. 1412/2004 of 3 August 20047,
- (g) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 1087/2005 of 8 July  $2005^8$ ,
- (h) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 1286/2005 of 3 August 2005<sup>9</sup>,
- (i) Commission Regulation (EC) No. 785/2006 of 23 May  $2006^{10}$ ,
- (j) Council Regulation (EC) No. 195/2008 of 3 March  $2008^{11}$ ,

(k) Council Regulation (EC) No. 175/2009 of 5 March  $2009^{12}$ ,

<sup>1</sup>OJ No. L.169, 8.7.03, p.6.
<sup>2</sup>OJ No. L.264, 15.10.03, p.12.
<sup>3</sup>OJ No. L.318, 3.12.03, p.9.
<sup>4</sup>OJ No. L.163, 30.4.04, p.100.
<sup>5</sup>OJ No. L.180, 15.5.04, p.9.
<sup>6</sup>OJ No. L.207, 10.6.04, p.10.
<sup>7</sup>OJ No. L.257, 4.8.04, p.1.
<sup>8</sup>OJ No. L.203, 4.8.05, p. 17.
<sup>10</sup>OJ No. L.59, 4.3.08, p.1.
<sup>12</sup>OJ No. L.62, 6.3.09, p.1.

Notice of the making of this Statutory Instrument was published in "Iris Oifigiúil" of 12th April, 2011. (l) Council Regulation (EU) No. 168/2010 of 1 March 2010<sup>13</sup>, and

(m) Council Regulation (EU) No. 131/2011 of 14 February  $2011^{14}$ .

(2) A word or expression which is used in this Order and which is also used in the Council Regulation has, unless the context otherwise requires, the same meaning in this Order as it has in the Council Regulation.

3. A person shall not make a financial transfer between the State and another country the effect of which would be to enable or facilitate, directly or indirectly, the doing of any thing which is a breach of the Council Regulation.

4. Notwithstanding Article 3 of this Order, a person who has received an authorisation under Article 6 of the Council Regulation may, subject to compliance with the terms and conditions of such authorisation, do such of the things referred to in Article 3 of this Order as are so authorised.

5. The Central Bank of Ireland may, for the purpose of supervision of financial transfers and for the administration and enforcement of the provisions of this Order, give such directions or issue such instructions to a person as it sees fit.

6. A person to whom a direction has been given or an instruction issued under Article 5 of this Order shall comply with such direction or instruction.

7. A person shall not do anything to directly or indirectly assist in the circumvention of the provisions of this Order.

8. The Financial Transfers (Iraq) (Prohibition) Order 2010 (S.I. No. 374 of 2010) is revoked.



GIVEN under my Official Seal, 7 April 2011.

> MICHAEL NOONAN, Minister for Finance.

<sup>13</sup>OJ No. L.51, 2.3.10, p.1. <sup>14</sup>OJ No. L.41, 15.02.11, p.1.

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## EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Instrument and does not purport to be a legal interpretation.)

This Order provides for enforcement of financial sanctions prohibiting financial transfers between the State and another country, as outlined in Council Regulation (EC) No. 1210/2003 of 7 July 2003, as amended, concerning restrictive measures against Iraq. It replaces and updates S.I. No. 374 of 2010 to take account of Council Regulation (EU) No. 131/2011 of 14 February 2011 which extends the expiry date for articles 2 and 10 of Council Regulation (EC) No. 1210/2003 of 7 July 2003 from 31 December 2010 to 30 June 2011.

The sanctions provided for in the Council Regulation include:

- a provision that proceeds from the sale of petroleum, petroleum products and natural gas from Iraq are deposited into the Development Fund for Iraq;
- a prohibition on trade in Iraqi cultural property;
- the freezing of funds and economic resources of the previous Government of Iraq or of named public bodies and corporations associated with it; and
- the freezing of funds and economic resources of former Iraqi President Saddam Hussein, his immediate family and his officials and close associates and their families, as listed under the Council Regulation.

The Order provides that the Central Bank of Ireland may issue instructions for the purpose of giving full effect to the financial sanctions and requires compliance with such instructions.

The Financial Transfers Act 1992 allows for control of financial transfers between the State and other countries, creates an offence for breach of the provisions of any Order made under it and provides for appropriate penalties. BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH ARNA FHOILSIÚ AG OIFIG AN tSOLÁTHAIR Le ceannach díreach ón OIFIG DHÍOLTA FOILSEACHÁN RIALTAIS, TEACH SUN ALLIANCE, SRÁID THEACH LAIGHEAN, BAILE ÁTHA CLIATH 2, nó tríd an bpost ó FOILSEACHÁIN RIALTAIS, AN RANNÓG POST-TRÁCHTA, AONAD 20 PÁIRC MIONDÍOLA COIS LOCHA, CLÁR CHLAINNE MHUIRIS, CONTAE MHAIGH EO, (Teil: 01 - 6476834 nó 1890 213434; Fax: 094 - 9378964 nó 01 - 6476843) nó trí aon díoltóir leabhar.

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