

## FACT SHEET ON THE 1988 AFGHANISTAN SANCTIONS COMMITTEE (2011)

<b>Chair (as of 1 Jan 2017)</b>	Ambassador Kairat Umarov (Kazakhstan)
<b>Mandate</b>	Oversee the implementation of the sanctions measures; designate individuals and entities; consider and decide upon notifications and requests for exemptions; consider and decide upon delisting requests; conduct periodic and specialised reviews of the entries on the 1988 Sanctions List; examine the reports presented by the Monitoring Team assisting the Committee; report periodically to the Security Council on the implementation of the sanctions measures; conduct outreach activities.
<b>Types of Sanctions</b>	Arms embargo, travel ban and assets freeze
<b>Number of Listed Individuals/ Entities</b>	135 individuals/five entities (last updated on 10 April 2018) Most recent listings: 2 November 2015
<b>Travel Ban/Asset Freeze Listing Criteria</b>	Individuals or entities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>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 the Taliban;</li> <li>supplying, selling or transferring arms and related materiel to the Taliban;</li> <li>recruiting for the Taliban; or</li> <li>supporting acts or activities of those designated and other individuals, groups, undertakings and entities associated with the Taliban in constituting a threat to the peace, stability and security of Afghanistan.</li> </ul>
<b>Delisting Procedures</b>	Member states may at any time submit to the Committee requests for delisting of individuals and entities inscribed on the 1988 Sanctions List. Listed individuals and entities seeking to submit a request for delisting can do so either directly to the Focal Point for Delisting or through his/her state of residence or nationality. Member states are strongly urged to consult with the government of Afghanistan on their delisting request prior to submission to the Committee through the government of Afghanistan's national contact point.  Requests made in 2017: 0
<b>Monitoring Mechanism/Panel of Experts</b>	The Committee is supported by the Analytical Support and Sanctions Monitoring Team, which also assists the 1267/1989/2253 Islamic State in Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) (Da'esh)/Al-Qaida Sanctions Committee. The Monitoring Team's current mandate expires on 31 December 2019. It has ten members. Edmund Fitton-Brown (United Kingdom) serves as the coordinator.  The monitoring team is required to submit two annual comprehensive reports to the Committee on implementation by member states of the sanctions measures. It submitted its last report in May 2018.
<b>Decision-Making</b>	Decisions are made by consensus. If consensus cannot be reached on a particular issue, the matter may be submitted to the Council by the member concerned. The Chair may circulate to all members of the Committee a proposed decision to be made by a written "no-objection procedure" of five working days. In emergency situations the Chair may decide to reduce that time period after notifying all Committee members accordingly. In exceptional cases, the Committee may decide to extend that time period. If no objection is received within the defined period, the proposed decision will be deemed adopted.  Listing and delisting requests will be deemed adopted if no objection is received within a period of ten full working days. A Committee member may request more time to consider a proposal by placing a hold on the decision. The Committee shall ensure that no matter is left pending for a period longer than is provided for by a relevant resolution, or, where no time for a decision is provided for by a resolution, then six months from the end of the original no-objection period. At the end of the relevant period, a matter still pending shall be deemed approved.
<b>Committee Reporting to the Council</b>	Resolution 2255 requests the Committee to report orally to the Council once per year, through its chair, on the state of the overall work of the Committee and the Monitoring Team.  Briefings by chair in 2017: 21 December (open meeting)
<b>Open Briefings for Wider UN Membership</b>	Resolution 2255 requests the Committee chair to hold annual briefings for all interested member states. The last briefing was held on 22 December 2017.
<b>Summary of Committee Activities (1 Jan-31 Dec 2017)</b>	The Committee held three informal consultations (12 and 23 June, and 22 December) and two joint informal consultations together with the Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999) 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning ISIL (Da'esh), Al/ Qaida, and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities (23 June and 8 December).  In these consultations, the Committee heard briefings by the Monitoring Group, the Permanent Representative of Afghanistan to the UN, the Special Representative for Afghanistan and head of UNAMA Tadamichi Yamamoto, the Special Adviser to the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Afghanistan on Counter Narcotics, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) Regional Representative for Afghanistan and Neighbouring Countries, the Head of the Commonwealth of Independent States Anti-Terrorism Centre.  The Chair visited Afghanistan from 29 to 30 October 2017.  There were no new listings in 2017.

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## Member States Reporting Obligations

Resolution 2255 calls on member states to respond to requests from the Committee regarding information on listings, de-listings, coordination with the government of Afghanistan and the monitoring team. The government of Afghanistan is required to provide to the Committee an annual report on the status of reportedly reconciled individuals who have been delisted by the Committee in the previous year.

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## UN Documents

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### SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION

[S/RES/2255](#) (21 December 2015) extended the mandate of the Monitoring Team until December 2019.

[S/RES/1988](#) (17 June 2011) established a separate Taliban/Afghanistan sanctions regime, with a separate list

of Taliban individuals and entities subject to sanctions and a new Afghanistan focused sanctions committee.

### OTHER

[S/2018/466](#) (30 May 2018) was the Monitoring Team's most recent report to the Committee.

[S/2017/1083](#) (29 December 2017) was the Committee's 2017 annual report to the Council.