

FACT SHEET ON THE 2127 CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUBLIC SANCTIONS COMMITTEE (2013)

Chair (as of 1 Jan 2022)

Ambassador Harold Adlai Agyeman (Ghana)

Mandate

Monitor implementation of sanctions measures; designate individuals and entities; report to the Security Council on its work as deemed necessary by the Committee; encourage a dialogue between the Committee and interested member states, in particular those in the region, including by inviting representatives of such states to meet with the Committee to discuss implementation of the measures; seek from all States whatever information it may consider useful regarding the actions taken by them to implement effectively the measures.

Types of Sanctions

Arms embargo, travel ban and assets freeze. Sanctions expire on 31 July 2022.

Number of Listed Individuals/

14 individuals/two entitiesMost recent listings: 21 December 2021

Travel Ban/Asset Freeze Listing Criteria

Individuals or entities:

- engaging in or providing support for acts that undermine the peace, stability or security of the CAR, including acts that
 threaten or violate transitional agreements, or that threaten or impede the political transition process, including a transition
 toward free and fair democratic elections, or that fuel violence;
- · acting in violation of the arms embargo;
- involved in planning, directing, or committing acts that violate international human rights law or international humanitarian law, as applicable, or that constitute human rights abuses or violations, in the CAR, including acts involving sexual and genderbased violence, targeting of civilians, ethnic- or religious-based attacks, attacks on schools and hospitals, and abduction and forced displacement:
- · recruiting or using children in armed conflict in the CAR, in violation of applicable international law;
- providing support for armed groups or criminal networks through the illicit exploitation or trade of natural resources, including diamonds, gold, wildlife as well as wildlife products in or from the CAR;
- · obstructing the delivery of humanitarian assistance to CAR, or access to, or distribution of, humanitarian assistance in CAR;
- involved in planning, directing, sponsoring, or conducting attacks against UN missions and the operations supporting them; or
- are leaders of, or have provided support to, or acted for or on behalf of or at the direction of, an entity that the Committee has
 designated.

Exemptions

Arms embargo: supplies brought into the CAR by Chadian or Sudanese forces solely for their use in international patrols of the tripartite force established on 23 May 2011, as approved in advance by the Committee; supplies of non-lethal military equipment intended solely for humanitarian or protective use, and related technical assistance or training, as approved in advance by the Committee; supplies of arms and other related lethal equipment to the CAR security forces, intended solely for use in the SSR process as approved in advance by the Committee; other sales or supply of arms and related materiel, or provision of assistance or personnel, as approved in advance by the Committee; supplies of non-lethal equipment and provision of assistance, including training, to the Central African security forces, intended solely for support for or use in the Central African process of security sector reform, after advanced notice to the Committee; supplies of small arms and other related equipment intended solely for use in international-led patrols providing security in the Sangha River Tri-national Protected Area to combat poaching, the smuggling of ivory and arms, aftger advanced notice to the Committee; supplies intended solely for the support for or use by MINUSCA and the European Union training missions deployed in the CAR, French forces and other Member States forces providing training and assistance; protective clothing temporarily exported to the CAR by UN personnel, representatives of the media and humanitarian and development workers for their personal use.

Assets freeze: basic expenses, or for legal services, extraordinary expenses approved by the Committee; assets determined by relevant states to be the subject of a judicial, administrative or arbitration lien or judgement; payment by a person or individual under a contract entered into prior to the listing of such a person or entity.

Travel ban: humanitarian grounds, including religious obligation; entry or transit necessary for the fulfilment of a judicial process; travel determined by the Committee to further the objectives of peace and national reconciliation in the CAR and stability in the region.

Delisting Procedures

Member states may at any time submit to the Committee requests for delisting of individuals and entities inscribed on the 2127 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.

Monitoring Mechanism/Panel of Experts

Panel of Experts with three members, last appointed on April 2022: Tathiana Flores-Acuna, humanitarian affairs (Costa Rica) Jocelyn Cyrille Gapet, regional issues (Congo) Khalifa Musa Mwavuo, arms (Kenya) One member was appointed on 1 June 2022:

Ruben de Koning, natural resources/finance (Netherlands)

The mandate was last renewed on 29 July 2021 in resolution 2588 and expires on 31 August, but is due to be renewed by 31 July. The most recent publicly available report was the final report under the previous mandate, which was submitted to the Council on 25 June 2021. Under the current mandate a midterm report was due January, and a final report is due by 31 June.

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Decisions may be taken by a written "no-objection procedure" of five working days (or, in urgent situations, such shorter period as the Chair shall determine). Members may request more time during the no-objection period to consider a proposal by placing a hold on the matter, in which case it will be considered "pending". A matter will remain pending until either any one member that placed a hold objects to the proposed decision or all holds are lifted. However, the Committee shall ensure that no matter is left pending for a period longer than six months. Then the matter is deemed approved unless a member objects or the Committee determines on a case-by-case basis that it needs more time, in which case a hold can be extended for up to one month.
Resolution 2454 requests the Committee to report to the Council annually.
Briefings by chair in 2018: 22 February and 23 October (briefing in open meeting followed by consultations)
None
The Committee held two informal consultations on 13 July and 31 August. It held one briefing for regional Member States, on 23 July. Due to challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the committee held virtual meetings, in the form of closed videoconferences, on 21 January, 24 February, 28 May and 4 June.
From 11 to 15 October, the Chair and the members of the Committee visited the Central African Republic. A report on the visit was circulated to the members of the Committee on 5 November.
Resolution 2454 reinforces resolution 2399, which encourages Member States to report any such departures from their territories, or such attempted entry into or transit through their territories, of such individuals to the Committee.

UN Documents

Security Council Resolutions

S/RES/2399 (30 January 2018) was a resolution renewing the 2127 CAR sanctions regime until 31 January 2019 and the mandate of the Panel of Experts until 28 February 2019.

S/RES/2127 (5 December 2013) established an arms embargo, a sanctions committee and a panel of experts.

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S/2018/752 (1 August 2018) was a letter from the Secretary-General to the President of the Security Council containing benchmarks to assess to arms embargo in the CAR.

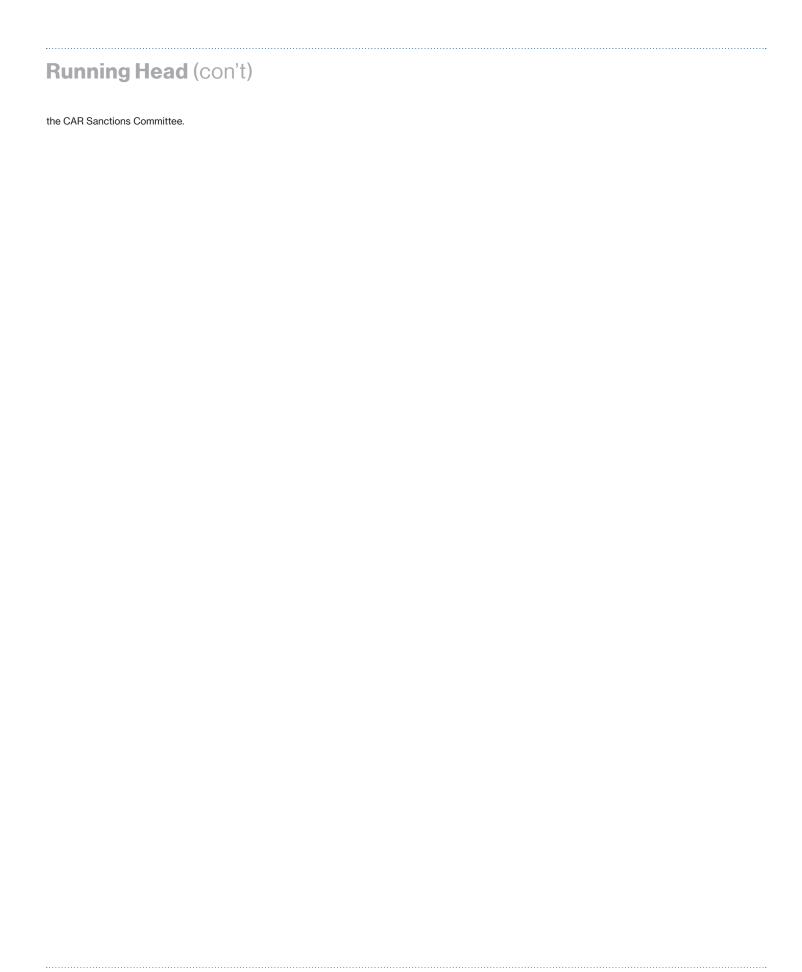
S/2018/729 (23 July 2018) was the midterm report of the Panel of Experts.

SC/13320 (26 April 2018) was a press statement on the 2127 CAR Sanctions Committee's amendment of identifying information regarding an individual on its sanctions list.

S/2018/168 (28 February 2018) was the Secretary-General's letter on the appointment of the Panel of Experts.

SC/13212 (16 February 2018) was a press statement on the 2127 CAR Sanctions Committee's amendment of identifying information regarding an individual on its sanctions list.

S/2017/1023 (6 December 2017) was the final report of the Panel of Experts assisting



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