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Implementation of Section 51A of UAPA,1967: Updates to UNSC's 1267/ 1989 ISIL (Da'esh) & Al-Qaida Sanctions List: Delisting of 02 Entries

1. International Financial Services Centres Authority (Anti Money Laundering, Counter-Terrorist Financing and Know Your Customer) Guidelines, 2022 under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 and rules framed there inter-alia states that Regulated Entities shall ensure that accounts are not opened in the name of anyone whose name appears in updated list of individuals and entities which are subject to various sanction measures such as freezing of assets/accounts, denial of financial services etc., as approved by the Security Council Committee established pursuant to various United Nations' Security Council Resolutions (UNSCRs). Regulated Entities shall continuously screen all existing accounts to ensure that no account is held by or linked to any of the entities or individuals included in the list.

2. In this regard, on 6/11/2025, the Committee recalling its previous resolutions on the Syrian Arab Republic and those relating to the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida sanctions regime, including 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011), 2178 (2014), 2253 (2015), 2368 (2017), 2396 (2017), 2462 (2019), 2664 (2022), 2734 (2024), and 2761 (2024), as well as the main principles and objectives embodied in its resolution 2254 (2015), adopted **Resolution 2799 (2025)** under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations:

Deciding that Ahmed al-Sharaa, included on the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List as Ahmad Hussain Al-Sharaa (QDi.317), and Anas Hasan Khattab (QDi.336) are delisted from the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List.

2. Press release dated **6 November 2025** concerning the delisting can be found at <https://press.un.org/en/2025/sc16214.doc.htm>

3. The latest versions of the Sanctions lists are accessible on the UN Security Council's website at the following URL:

a) List issued by the UNSC Committee established pursuant to resolution 1989 (2011) of individuals and entities linked to ISIL (Da'esh) and Al Qaida www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1267/aq_sanctions_list

b) List issued by the UNSC Committee established pursuant to resolution 1988 (2011) of individuals and entities linked to Taliban <https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1988/materials>

7. This information is being issued in pursuance of the instructions contained in the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India' order F. No. 14014/01/2019/CFT, dated 2 February 2021, regarding the Procedure for implementation of Section 51A of the Unlawful Activities(Prevention) Act, 1967 to direct all concerned to apply without delay travel restrictions, arms embargo and to freeze the funds and other financial resources of listed individuals and entities in accordance with the relevant UNSC resolutions. The details of the sanctions measures and exemptions are available at the following URL: https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1267#further_information

8. As per MHA's instructions, any request for de-listing received by any bank, stock exchanges/ depositories, intermediaries regulated by SEBI and Insurance companies is to be forwarded electronically to Joint Secretary (CTCR), MHA for consideration. Individuals, groups, undertakings or entities seeking to be removed from the Security Council's ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List can submit their request for delisting to an independent and impartial Ombudsperson who has been appointed by the United Nations Secretary-General. More details are available at the following URL: <https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/ombudsperson/application>

9. Necessary action may kindly be taken in terms of Ministry of Home Affairs' Order dated 2nd February 2021 delineating the procedure for implementation of Section 51A of the UAPA .

10. All Regulated Entities are advised to take note of the aforementioned UNSC communication and ensure compliance.
