

5. The subject tires are marked correctly for Max Load in pounds on both sides of the tire. Further, Goodyear says the subject tires are primarily sold in the domestic original equipment market, where the load in pounds would be the predominant consumer unit of measurement.

6. The subject tires are marked in letters 20-mm high "TEMPORARY USE ONLY" as they are convenience spare tires.

7. Goodyear contends that NHTSA has previously granted petitions for similar noncompliances related to tire loading labeling information on tires and previous NHTSA surveys have shown most consumers do not base tire purchases on tire labeling information found on the tire sidewall. Since the subject tires are temporary use only spare tires, any considerations about what information consumers rely on for tire purchases is even less of a concern.

Goodyear concludes that the subject noncompliance is inconsequential as it relates to motor vehicle safety and that its petition to be exempted from providing notification of the noncompliance, as required by 49 U.S.C. 30118, and a remedy for the noncompliance, as required by 49 U.S.C. 30120, should be granted.

NHTSA notes that the statutory provisions (49 U.S.C. 30118(d) and 30120(h)) that permit manufacturers to file petitions for a determination of inconsequentiality allow NHTSA to exempt manufacturers only from the duties found in sections 30118 and

30120, respectively, to notify owners, purchasers, and dealers of a defect or noncompliance and to remedy the defect or noncompliance. Therefore, any decision on this petition only applies to the subject tires that Goodyear no longer controlled at the time it determined that the noncompliance existed. However, any decision on this petition does not relieve equipment distributors and dealers of the prohibitions on the sale, offer for sale, or introduction or delivery for introduction into interstate commerce of the noncompliant tires under their control after Goodyear notified them that the subject noncompliance existed.

(Authority: 49 U.S.C. 30118, 30120; delegations of authority at 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.8)

**Otto G. Matheke III,**

*Director, Office of Vehicle Safety Compliance.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Foreign Assets Control

#### Notice of OFAC Sanctions Action

**AGENCY:** Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names

of one or more persons that have been placed on OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) based on OFAC's determination that one or more applicable legal criteria were satisfied. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

**DATES:** See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section for effective date(s).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

OFAC: Andrea Gacki, Director, tel.: 202-622-2490; Associate Director for Global Targeting, tel.: 202-622-2420; Assistant Director for Licensing, tel.: 202-622-2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, tel.: 202-622-4855; or the Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, tel.: 202-622-2490.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Electronic Availability

The SDN List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC's website (<https://www.treasury.gov/ofac>).

#### Notice of OFAC Action

On December 7, 2021, OFAC determined that the property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of the following persons are blocked under the relevant sanctions authority listed below.

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**Individual:**

1. KANDIHO, Abel, Uganda; DOB 11 Jun 1970; POB Mbarara, Uganda; nationality Uganda; Gender Male; Passport DA025622 (Uganda) expires 29 Mar 2027 (individual) [GLOMAG].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C)(1) of Executive Order 13818 of December 20, 2017, "Blocking the Property of Persons Involved in Serious Human Rights Abuse or Corruption," 82 FR 60839, 3 CFR, 2018 Comp., p. 399, (E.O. 13818) for being a foreign person who is or has been a leader or official of an entity, including any government entity, that has engaged in, or whose members have engaged in, serious human rights abuse relating to the leader's or official's tenure.

2. AL-HASOURI, Muhammad Yousef (Arabic: محمد يوسف الحاصوري) (a.k.a. HASOURI, Mohammad Yousef (Arabic: محمد يوسف اصوري); a.k.a. HASOURI, Muhammad Yousef; a.k.a. HASOURI, Muhammed Yousef), Syria; DOB 1965; POB Talkalakh, Homs, Syria; nationality Syria; Gender Male; Major General (individual) [SYRIA].

Designated pursuant to Section 1(b)(i) of Executive Order 13572 of April 29, 2011 "Blocking Property of Certain Persons With Respect to Human Rights Abuses in Syria," 76 FR 24787, 3 CFR, 2011 Comp., p. 236 (E.O. 13572) for being responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, or having participated in, the commission of human rights abuses in Syria, including those related to repression.

3. KHADOUR, Tawfiq Muhammad (Arabic: توفيق محمد خضور) (a.k.a. KHADUR, Tawfiq Ahmad), Syria; DOB 1966; POB Hilat Ara, Jablah, Syria; nationality Syria; Gender Male; Major General (individual) [SYRIA].

Designated pursuant to Section 1(b)(i) of E.O. 13572 for being responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, or having participated in, the commission of human rights abuses in Syria, including those related to repression.

4. AL-HASSAN, Kamal (a.k.a. HASAN, Kamal 'Ali (Arabic: كمال علي حسن)), Damascus, Syria; DOB 10 Jun 1967; nationality Syria; Gender Male; National ID No. 571778 (Syria); Brigadier General (individual) [SYRIA] (Linked To: SYRIAN MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIRECTORATE).

Designated pursuant to Section 1(b)(ii) of E.O. 13572 for being a senior official of SYRIAN MILITARY INTELLIGENCE DIRECTORATE.

5. KHALIL, Qahtan (Arabic: قحطل خليل), Syria; DOB 1964; nationality Syria; Gender Male; Major General (individual) [SYRIA] (Linked To: SYRIAN AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE).

Designated pursuant to Section 1(b)(ii) of E.O. 13572 for being a senior official of SYRIAN AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE.

6. SALAMEH, Adeeb Namer (Arabic: أديب نمر سلامة) (a.k.a. SALAMAH, Adib Nimr; a.k.a. SALAMEH, Adib), Damascus, Syria; DOB 26 Nov 1953; POB Dahr Al-Maghar, al-Salamiyeh, Hamah, Syria; nationality Syria; Gender Male; Passport 578761 (Syria); Major General (individual) [SYRIA] (Linked To: SYRIAN AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE).

Designated pursuant to Section 1(b)(ii) of E.O. 13572 for being a senior official of SYRIAN AIR FORCE INTELLIGENCE.

7. HEMMATIAN, Ali (Arabic: علي همتيان) (a.k.a. AMINIAN, Ali; a.k.a. "Raouf"), Iran; DOB 1982; alt. DOB 1983; POB Damghan, Semnan Province, Iran; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male (individual) [IRGC] [IRAN-HR].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(A) of Executive Order 13553 of September 28, 2010, "Blocking Property of Certain Persons With Respect to Serious Human Rights Abuses by the Government of Iran and Taking Certain Other Actions" (E.O. 13553), 3 CFR, 2011 Comp., p. 253, for being a person acting on behalf of the Government of Iran (including members of paramilitary organizations) who is responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, the commission of serious human rights abuses against persons in Iran or Iranian citizens or residents, or the family members of the foregoing, on or after June 12, 2009, regardless of whether such abuses occurred in Iran.

8. SAFDARI, Masoud (Arabic: مسعود صفدری) (a.k.a. SAFDARI, Massoud; a.k.a. "Sattar"), Shahrak Shahid Mahallati District, Tehran, Iran; DOB 1983; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male (individual) [IRGC] [IRAN-HR].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(A) of E.O. 13553 for being a person acting on behalf of the Government of Iran (including members of paramilitary organizations) who is responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, the commission of serious human rights abuses against persons in Iran or Iranian citizens or residents, or the family members of the foregoing, on or after June 12, 2009, regardless of whether such abuses occurred in Iran.

9. SOLEIMANI, Gholamreza (Arabic: غلامرضا سلیمانی) (a.k.a. SOLEIMANI, Gholam Reza; a.k.a. SOLEIMANY, Gholamreza; a.k.a. SOLEYMANI, Gholam Reza), Iran; DOB 1964; alt. DOB 1965; POB Farsan, Iran; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male (individual) [IRGC] [IRAN-HR] [IRAN-EO13876] (Linked To: BASIJ RESISTANCE FORCE).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the BASIJ RESISTANCE FORCE.

10. VASEGHI, Leila (Arabic: ليلا واتقي) (a.k.a. VASEGHI, Layla; a.k.a. VASEGHI, Leyla; a.k.a. VASEQI, Layla), Iran; DOB 1973; alt. DOB 1972; POB Sari, Mazandaran Province, Iran; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Female (individual) [IRAN-HR].

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(A) of E.O. 13553 for being a person acting on behalf of the Government of Iran (including members of paramilitary organizations) who is responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, the commission of serious human rights abuses against persons in Iran or Iranian citizens or residents, or the family members of the foregoing, on or after June 12, 2009, regardless of whether such abuses occurred in Iran.

11. AZAMI, Seyed Reza Mousavi (Arabic: سيد رضا موسى اعظمي), Iran; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male (individual) [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: SPECIAL UNITS OF IRAN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the SPECIAL UNITS OF IRAN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES.

12. EBRAHIMI, Mohsen (Arabic: محسن ابراهيمي), Iran; DOB 1961; alt. DOB 1962; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male; National ID No. 48107174 (Iran) (individual) [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: IRAN'S COUNTER-TERROR SPECIAL FORCES).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, IRAN'S COUNTER-TERROR SPECIAL FORCES.

13. KARAMI, Hassan (Arabic: حسن كرمي), Iran; DOB 1960; POB Urmia, Iran; nationality Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Gender Male (individual) [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: SPECIAL UNITS OF IRAN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the SPECIAL UNITS OF IRAN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES.

#### Entities:

1. IRAN'S COUNTER-TERROR SPECIAL FORCES (a.k.a. IRANIAN SPECIAL POLICE FORCES; a.k.a. NIROO-YE VIZHE PASDAR-E VELAYAT; a.k.a. SUPREME LEADER'S GUARDIAN SPECIAL FORCES; a.k.a. "NOPO" (Arabic: "نوپو"); a.k.a. "PROVINCIAL SPECIAL FORCES"; a.k.a. "SPECIAL COUNTER-TERRORISM FORCE"), Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary

Sanctions; Target Type Government Entity [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: SPECIAL UNITS OF IRAN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for being owned or controlled by, or having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the SPECIAL UNITS OF IRAN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES.

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(A) of E.O. 13553 for being a person acting on behalf of the Government of Iran (including members of paramilitary organizations) who is responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, the commission of serious human rights abuses against persons in Iran or Iranian citizens or residents, or the family members of the foregoing, on or after June 12, 2009, regardless of whether such abuses occurred in Iran.

2. SPECIAL UNITS OF IRAN'S LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES (a.k.a. IRANIAN POLICE SPECIAL UNITS; a.k.a. LEF SPECIAL UNITS; a.k.a. NAJA SPECIAL UNITS; a.k.a. YEGAN-E VIZHE (Arabic: یگان ویزه ناجا); a.k.a. "YEGOP"), Iran; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions; Target Type Government Entity [IRAN-HR] (Linked To: LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(C) of E.O. 13553 for being owned or controlled by, or having acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, the LAW ENFORCEMENT FORCES OF THE ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF IRAN.

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(ii)(A) of E.O. 13553 for being a person acting on behalf of the Government of Iran (including members of paramilitary organizations) who is responsible for or complicit in, or responsible for ordering, controlling, or otherwise directing, the commission of serious human rights abuses against persons in Iran or Iranian citizens or residents, or the family members of the foregoing, on or after June 12, 2009, regardless of whether such abuses occurred in Iran.

Dated: December 7, 2021.

**Bradley T. Smith,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

### Cost-of-Living Adjustments for Service-Connected Benefits

**AGENCY:** Department of Veterans Affairs (VA).

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** As required by the Veterans' Compensation Cost-of-Living Adjustment Act of 2021, VA is hereby giving notice of adjustments in certain benefit rates. These adjustments affect the compensation program.

**DATES:** These adjustments became effective on December 1, 2021.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Jacqueline Imboden, Policy Staff, Compensation Service, Veterans Benefits Administration, 810 Vermont Avenue NW, Washington, DC 20420, 202-461-9700. This is not a toll-free telephone number.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 2 of Public Law 117-45 provides for an increase in each of the rates in sections 1114, 1115(1) and 1162 of title 38, U.S.C. VA is required to increase these benefit rates by the same percentage as increases in the benefit amounts payable under title II of the Social Security Act. The increased rates are required to be published in the **Federal Register**.

The Social Security Administration has announced that there will be a 5.9 percent cost-of-living increase in Social Security benefits for 2022. Therefore,

applying the same percentage, the following rates for VA's compensation program became effective on December 1, 2021:

Disability evaluation percent	Monthly rate
Disability Compensation [38 U.S.C. 1114]	
10 .....	\$152.64
20 .....	301.74
30 .....	467.39
40 .....	673.28
50 .....	958.44
60 .....	1,214.03
70 .....	1,529.95
80 .....	1,778.43
90 .....	1,998.52
100 .....	3,332.06
(38 U.S.C. 1114(k) through (t)):	
38 U.S.C. 1114(k) .....	\$118.33
38 U.S.C. 1114(l) .....	4,146.13
38 U.S.C. 1114(m) .....	4,575.68
38 U.S.C. 1114(n) .....	5,205.17
38 U.S.C. 1114(o) .....	5,818.09
38 U.S.C. 1114(p) .....	5,818.09