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Antony J. Blinken,

Secretary of State.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice 11360]

Designation of Individuals and Entities Pursuant to Executive Order 13949 and Delegation to the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security of Authorities in Executive Order 13949

AGENCY: Department of State.

ACTION: Notice of designations and delegation of authority.

SUMMARY: Pursuant to the authority in Section 1(a)(i) of Executive Order 13949, “Blocking Property of Certain Persons with Respect to the Conventional Arms Activities of Iran,” the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General, has determined that the Iranian Ministry of Defense and Armed Forces Logistics (MODAFL), Iran’s Defense Industries Organization (DIO), DIO Director Mehrdad Akhlaghi-Ketabchi, and Venezuela’s nominal president Nicholas Maduro engage in activity that materially contributes to the supply, sale, or transfer, directly or indirectly, to or from Iran, or for the use in or benefit of Iran, of arms or related materiel, including spare parts. The Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General, has additionally determined that Iran’s Marine Industries Organization (MIO), Aerospace Industries Organization (AIO), and the Iran Aviation Industries Organization (IAIO), engage in activity that materially contributes to the supply, sale, or transfer, directly or indirectly, to or from Iran, or for the use in or benefit of Iran, of arms or related materiel, including spare parts. Additionally, by the virtue of the authority vested in the Secretary of State, including Section 1 of the State Department Basic Authorities Act, as amended, the Secretary delegated to the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security the functions conferred on the Secretary of State in

Executive Order 13949 of September 21, 2020.

DATES: The Secretary of State made these designations pursuant to Executive Order 13949 on September 21, 2020 and January 15, 2021, respectively. The Secretary of State delegated to the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security the functions conferred on the Secretary of State in Executive Order 13949 on January 15, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Office of Counterproliferation Initiatives, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, tel.: 202-736-7065, or *CPI-Sanctions@state.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On September 21, 2020, the President, invoking the authority, inter alia, of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701-1706) (“IEEPA”), issued Executive Order 13949 (the “Order”), effective on September 21, 2020. In the Order the President took additional steps with respect to the national emergency declared in Executive Order (E.O.) 12957 of March 15, 1995 to counter Iran’s malign influence in the Middle East, including transfers from Iran of destabilizing conventional weapons and acquisition of arms and related materiel by Iran.

Section 1 of the Order blocks, with certain exceptions, all property and interests in property that are in the United States, that hereafter come within the United States, or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of any United States person of the following persons are blocked and may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in: (i) Any person determined by the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, to engage in any activity that materially contributes to the supply, sale, or transfer, directly or indirectly, to or from Iran, or for the use in or benefit of Iran, of arms or related materiel, including spare parts; (ii) any person determined by the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, to provide to Iran any technical training, financial resources or services, advice, other services, or assistance related to the supply, sale, transfer, manufacture, maintenance, or use of arms and related materiel described in subsection (a)(i) of this section; (iii) any person determined by the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, to have engaged, or attempted to engage, in any activity that materially contributes

to, or poses a risk of materially contributing to, the proliferation of arms or related materiel or items intended for military end-uses or military end-users, including any efforts to manufacture, acquire, possess, develop, transport, transfer, or use such items, by the Government of Iran (including persons owned or controlled by, or acting for or on behalf of the Government of Iran) or paramilitary organizations financially or militarily supported by the Government of Iran; (iv) any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to have materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services to or in support of, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order; or (v) any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, to be owned or controlled by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to this order.

As a result of this action, all property and interests in property of MODAFL, DIO, DIO Director Mehrdad Akhlaghi-Ketabchi, MIO, AIO, IAIO, or Nicholas Maduro that are in the United States, or that hereafter come within the United States or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons are blocked and may not be transferred, paid, exported, withdrawn, or otherwise dealt in.

The delegation to the Under Secretary for Arms Control and International Security of the functions conferred on the Secretary of State in Executive Order 13949 of September 21, 2020 includes any act, executive order, regulation, or procedure subject to, or affected by, this delegation shall be deemed to be such act, executive order, regulation, or procedure as amended from time to time. Additionally, the Secretary, the Deputy Secretary, or the Deputy Secretary for Management and Resources may at any time exercise any authority or function delegated herein. Internally, the Department identified this delegation as Delegation of Authority No. 496.

Information on the designees:

Entity 1

Name: Ministry of Defense and Armed Forces Logistics
a.k.a.: Ministry of Defense and Support for Armed Forces Logistics
a.k.a.: MODAFL
a.k.a.: MODSAF

a.k.a.: Ministry of Defense for Armed Forces Logistics
a.k.a.: Ministry of Defense Armed Forces Logistics
a.k.a.: Vezarat-E Defa Va Poshtyban-E Niru-Haye Mosallah
a.k.a.: Ministry of Defence & Armed Forces Logistics
a.k.a.: Government of Iran Department of Defense
a.k.a.: Vezarate Defa
 Address: Ferdowsi Avenue, Sarhang Sakhaei Street, Tehran, Iran
 Address: P.O. Box 11365–8439, Pasdaran Ave. Tehran, Iran
 Address: West side of Dabestan Street, Abbas Abad District, Tehran, Iran

Entity 2

Name: DEFENSE INDUSTRIES ORGANIZATION
a.k.a.: DIO
a.k.a.: DEFENCE INDUSTRIES ORGANISATION
a.k.a.: SAZEMANE SANAYE DEFA
a.k.a.: SASEMAN SANAJE DEFA
a.k.a.: SASADJA
 Address: P.O. Box 19585–777, Pasdaran Street, Tehran, Iran

Entity 3

Name: AEROSPACE INDUSTRIES ORGANIZATION
a.k.a.: AIO
a.k.a.: SAZMANE SANAYE HAVA FAZA
 Address: Langare Street, Nobonyad Square, Tehran, Iran

Entity 4

Name: IRAN AVIATION INDUSTRIES ORGANIZATION
a.k.a.: IAIO
a.k.a.: SAZMANE SANAYE HAVAI
 Address: Karaj Special Road, Mehrabad Airport, Tehran, Iran
 Address 2: Sepahbod Gharani 36, Tehran, Iran
 Address 3: 3th Km Karaj Special Road, Aviation Industries Boulevard, Tehran, Iran

Entity 4

Name: MARINE INDUSTRIES ORGANIZATION
a.k.a.: MIO
 Address: Pasdaran Av., P.O. Box 19585/777, Tehran, Iran

Individual 1

Name: Merhdada Akhlaghi KETABACHI
Date of birth: September 10, 1958
Gender: Male
Nationality: Iran
Passport number: A0030940 (Iran)

Individual 2

Name: Nicolas MADURO MOROS

Date of birth: November 23, 1962
Place of birth: Caracas, Venezuela
Gender: Male
Nationality: Venezuela
Cedula number: 5892464 (Venezuela)

Zachary A. Parker,

Director, Office of Directives Management.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

[Public Notice: 11362]

Designation of Iranian Individuals

ACTION: Notice of designation.

SUMMARY: The State Department, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General, has determined that Majid Agha'i (Majid Aghaei) and Amjad Sazgar engaged, or attempted to engage, in activities or transactions that have materially contributed to, or pose a risk of materially contributing to, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction or their means of delivery (including missiles capable of delivering such weapons), including any efforts to manufacture, acquire, possess, develop, transport, transfer or use such items, by any person or foreign country of proliferation concern. The State Department, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General, has additionally determined that Hamid Reza Ghadirian and Ahmad Asghari Shiva'i engaged, or attempted to engage, in activities or transactions that have materially contributed to, or pose a risk of materially contributing to, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction by Iran, through activities that are contrary to Iran's JCPOA commitment that Iran will not engage in activities that could contribute to the development of a nuclear explosive device.

DATES: The Under Secretary of State for Arms Control and International Security designated Majid Agha'i and Amjad Sazgar pursuant to Executive Order 13382 on May 29, 2020. The Secretary of State designated Hamid Reza Ghadirian and Ahmad Asghari Shiva'i pursuant to Executive Order 13382 on September 21, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Office of Counterproliferation Initiatives, Bureau of International Security and Nonproliferation, Department of State, Washington, DC 20520, tel.: 202–736–7065, or *CPI-Sanctions@state.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 28, 2005, the President, invoking the

authority, *inter alia*, of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C. 1701–1706) (“IEEPA”), issued Executive Order 13382 (70 CFR 38567, July 1, 2005) (the “Order”), effective at 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time on June 30, 2005. In the Order, the President took additional steps with respect to the national emergency described and declared in Executive Order 12938 of November 14, 1994, regarding the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and the means of delivering them.

Section 1 of the Order blocks, with certain exceptions, all property and interests in property that are in the United States, or that hereafter come within the United States or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons, of: (1) The persons listed in the Annex to the Order; (2) any foreign person determined by the Secretary of State, in consultation with the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, and other relevant agencies, to have engaged, or attempted to engage, in activities or transactions that have materially contributed to, or pose a risk of materially contributing to, the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction or their means of delivery, including any efforts to manufacture, acquire, possess, develop, transport, transfer or use such items, by any person or foreign country of proliferation concern; (3) any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and other relevant agencies, to have provided, or attempted to provide, financial, material, technological or other support for, or goods or services in support of, any activity or transaction described in clause (2) above or any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the Order; and (4) any person determined by the Secretary of the Treasury, in consultation with the Secretary of State, the Attorney General, and other relevant agencies, to be owned or controlled by, or acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to the Order.

As a result of this action, all property and interests in property of Majid Agha'i, Amjad Sazgar, Hamid Reza Ghadirian, and Ahmad Asghari Shiva'i that are in the United States, or that hereafter come within the United States or that are or hereafter come within the possession or control of United States persons are blocked and may not be