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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

31 CFR Part 588

Publication of Western Balkans Stabilization Regulations Web General Licenses 2 and 3

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Publication of Web General Licenses.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing two general licenses (GLs) issued pursuant to the Western Balkans Stabilization Regulations: GLs 2 and 3, each of which was previously made available on OFAC's website.

DATES: GL 2 and GL 3 were issued on November 16, 2023. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for additional relevant dates.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OFAC: Assistant Director for Licensing, 202-622-2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, 202-622-4855; or Assistant Director for Compliance, 202-622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available on OFAC's website: <https://ofac.treasury.gov>.

Background

On November 16, 2023, OFAC issued GLs 2 and 3 to authorize certain transactions otherwise prohibited by the Western Balkans Stabilization Regulations, 31 CFR part 588. Each GL was made available on OFAC's website (<https://ofac.treasury.gov>) when it was issued. GL 2 has an expiration date of March 15, 2024. The text of these GLs is provided below.

OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL

Western Balkans Stabilization Regulations

31 CFR Part 588

GENERAL LICENSE NO. 2

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving Orka Holding AD

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions prohibited by the Western Balkans Stabilization Regulations (WBSR), 31 CFR part 588, that are ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of any transaction involving Orka Holding AD, or any entity in which Orka Holding AD owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern daylight time, March 15, 2024, provided that any payment to a blocked person is made into a blocked account in accordance with the WBSR.

(b) This general license does not authorize any transactions otherwise prohibited by the WBSR, including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the WBSR other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

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Dated: November 16, 2023.

OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL

Western Balkans Stabilization Regulations

31 CFR part 588

GENERAL LICENSE NO. 3

Authorizing Certain Transactions Related to Agricultural Commodities, Medicine, Medical Devices, Replacement Parts and Components, Software Updates, or Medical Prevention, Diagnosis, or Treatment, or Clinical Trials Involving Orka Holding AD

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (c) of this general license, all transactions prohibited by the Western Balkans Stabilization Regulations (WBSR), 31 CFR part 588, involving Orka Holding AD, or any entity in which Orka Holding AD owns, directly or indirectly, individually or in the aggregate, a 50 percent or greater interest, related to the following are authorized: (1) the production, manufacturing, sale, transport, or provision of agricultural commodities, agricultural equipment, medicine, medical devices, replacement parts and components for medical devices, or software updates for medical devices; (2) the prevention, diagnosis, or treatment of any disease or medical condition; or (3) the conducting of clinical trials or other medical research.

(b) For the purposes of this general license, agricultural commodities, medicine, and medical devices are defined as follows:

(1) *Agricultural commodities.* Agricultural commodities are products that fall within the term "agricultural commodity" as defined in section 102 of the Agricultural Trade Act of 1978 (7 U.S.C. 5602) and are intended for use as:

(i) Food for humans (including raw, processed, and packaged foods; live animals; vitamins and minerals; food additives or supplements; and bottled drinking water) or animals (including animal feeds);

(ii) Seeds for food crops;

(iii) Fertilizers or organic fertilizers; or

(iv) Reproductive materials (such as live animals, fertilized eggs, embryos, and semen) for the production of food animals.

(2) *Medicine.* Medicine is an item that falls within the definition of the term "drug" in section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321).

(3) *Medical devices.* A medical device is an item that falls within the definition of "device" in section 201 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 321).

(c) This general license does not authorize any transactions otherwise prohibited by the WBSR, including transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the WBSR other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license, unless separately authorized.

Note to General License No. 3. Nothing in this general license relieves any person from compliance with any other Federal laws or requirements of other Federal agencies.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

31 CFR Part 591

Publication of Venezuela Sanctions Regulations Web General License 43A

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Publication of web general license.

SUMMARY: The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing one general license (GL) issued pursuant to the Venezuela Sanctions Regulations: GL 43A, which was previously made available on OFAC's website.

DATES: GL 43A was issued on January 29, 2024. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for additional relevant dates.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OFAC: Assistant Director for Licensing, 202-622-2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, 202-622-4855; or Assistant Director for Compliance, 202-622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

This document and additional information concerning OFAC are available on OFAC's website: <https://ofac.treasury.gov>.

Background

On January 29, 2024, OFAC issued GL 43A to authorize certain transactions otherwise prohibited by the Venezuela Sanctions Regulations (VSR), 31 CFR part 591. The GL was made available on OFAC's website (<https://ofac.treasury.gov>) when it was issued. GL 43A superseded GL 43, which was issued on October 18, 2023. GL 43A is now expired. The text of GL 43A is provided below.

OFFICE OF FOREIGN ASSETS CONTROL

Venezuela Sanctions Regulations

31 CFR Part 591

GENERAL LICENSE NO. 43A

Authorizing the Wind Down of Transactions Involving CVG Compania General de Minería de Venezuela CA

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (b) of this general license, all transactions that are ordinarily incident and necessary to the wind down of any transaction involving CVG Compania General de Minería de Venezuela CA (Minerven), or any entity in which Minerven owns, directly or indirectly, a 50 percent or greater interest, that are prohibited by Executive Order (E.O.) 13850, as amended by E.O. 13857, or E.O. 13884, each as incorporated into the Venezuela Sanctions Regulations, 31 CFR part 591 (the VSR), are authorized through 12:01 a.m. eastern standard time, February 13, 2024.

(b) This general license does not authorize any transactions otherwise prohibited by the VSR, including any transactions involving any person blocked pursuant to the VSR other than the blocked persons described in paragraph (a) of this general license, Government of Venezuela persons blocked solely pursuant to E.O. 13884, Banco Central de Venezuela, or Banco de Venezuela SA Banco Universal.

(c) Effective January 29, 2024, General License No. 43, dated October 18, 2023, is replaced and superseded in its entirety by this General License No. 43A.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Coast Guard

33 CFR Part 165

[Docket Number USCG-2024-0141]

RIN 1625-AA00

Safety Zone; Sabine River, Orange, TX

AGENCY: Coast Guard, DHS.

ACTION: Temporary final rule.

SUMMARY: The Coast Guard is establishing a temporary safety zone for certain navigable waters of the Sabine River, extending the entire width of the river, adjacent to the public boat ramp located in Orange, TX. This action is necessary to protect persons and vessels from hazards associated with a high-speed Jet Ski race competition in Orange, TX. Entry of vessels or persons into this zone is prohibited unless authorized by the Captain of the Port Marine Safety Unit Port Arthur or a designated representative.

DATES: This rule is effective from 10 a.m. on March 15, 2024, through 6 p.m. on March 16, 2024.

ADDRESSES: To view documents mentioned in this preamble as being available in the docket, go to <https://www.regulations.gov>, type USCG-2024-0141 in the search box and click "Search." Next, in the Document Type column, select "Supporting & Related Material."

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: If you have questions on this rule, call or email Lieutenant Sean Yanez, Marine Safety Unit Port Arthur, U.S. Coast Guard; telephone 409-723-5027, email Sean.P.Yanez@uscg.mil.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

I. Table of Abbreviations

BNM Broadcast Notice to Mariners
CFR Code of Federal Regulations
COTP Captain of the Port Marine Safety Unit Port Arthur
DHS Department of Homeland Security
FR Federal Register
NPRM Notice of proposed rulemaking
§ Section
U.S.C. United States Code

II. Background Information and Regulatory History

The Coast Guard is issuing this temporary rule under authority in 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B). This statutory provision authorizes an agency to issue a rule without prior notice and opportunity to comment when the agency for good cause finds that those procedures are "impracticable,

unnecessary, or contrary to the public interest." The Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for not publishing a notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) with respect to this rule because it is impracticable. This safety zone must be established by March 15, 2024, and we lack sufficient time to provide a reasonable comment period and then consider those comments before issuing this rule. The NPRM process would delay the establishment of the safety zone until after the dates of the jet ski races and, consequently, compromise public safety.

Also, under 5 U.S.C. 553(d)(3), the Coast Guard finds that good cause exists for making this rule effective less than 30 days after publication in the **Federal Register**. Delaying the effective date of this rule would be impracticable because establishing the safety zone by March 15, 2024, is necessary to protect all waterway users during scheduled race events.

III. Legal Authority and Need for Rule

The Coast Guard is issuing this rule under authority in 46 U.S.C. 70034. The Captain of the Port Marine Safety Unit Port Arthur (COTP) has determined that the potential hazards associated with high-speed jet ski races are a safety concern for persons and vessels operating on the Sabine River. Possible hazards include risks of injury or death from near or actual contact among participant vessels and spectators or mariners traversing through the safety zone. This rule is needed to protect all waterway users, including event participants and spectators, before, during, and after the scheduled event.

IV. Discussion of the Rule

This rule establishes a temporary safety zone from 10 a.m. through 6 p.m. each day from March 15, 2024, through March 16, 2024. The safety zone covers all navigable waters of the Sabine River, extending the entire width of the river, adjacent to the public boat ramp located in Orange, TX, bounded by the Orange Municipal Wharf, between latitude lines at 30°05'50" N and 30°05'33" N. The duration of the safety zone is intended to protect participants, spectators, and other persons and vessels, in the navigable waters of the Sabine River during high-speed jet ski races and will include breaks and opportunity for vessels to transit through the regulated area. No vessel or person will be permitted to enter the safety zone without obtaining permission from the COTP or a designated representative.