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EU extends sanctions against Syria

The Council today adopted a decision and a regulation¹ imposing restrictive measures on seven additional persons and introducing such measures against four entities associated with the Syrian regime, in view of the gravity of the situation in the country.

These persons and entities are added to the list set out in decision 2011/273/CFSP, adopted on 9 May, which imposed restrictive measures on 13 officials and associates of the Syrian regime who were identified as being responsible for the violent repression against the civilian population. The decision also imposed an embargo on arms and equipment which might be used for internal repression. On 23 May, 10 additional persons, including President Assad, were listed. The measures consist of a visa ban and an assets freeze against the individuals concerned and an assets freeze on the entities.

The decision and the regulation will be published in the Official Journal on 24 June, together with an updated list of persons and entities subject to the restrictive measures.

¹ The decision and the regulation were adopted by written procedure.

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