

**COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2023/1126****of 8 June 2023****implementing Regulation (EU) 2016/1686 imposing additional restrictive measures directed against ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaeda and natural and legal persons, entities or bodies associated with them**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2016/1686 of 20 September 2016 imposing additional restrictive measures directed against ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaeda and natural and legal persons, entities or bodies associated with them <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 4(1) and (4) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 20 September 2016, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2016/1686.
- (2) On 26 April 2023, the Sanctions Committee of the United Nations Security Council established pursuant to UN Security Council Resolutions 1267(1999), 1989(2011) and 2253(2015) added two persons to the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures.
- (3) On 3 May 2023, those persons were added to Annex I to Council Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 <sup>(2)</sup>.
- (4) Since one of those persons was already designated under Regulation (EU) 2016/1686, that person should be removed from Annex I to that Regulation.
- (5) Regulation (EU) 2016/1686 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2016/1686 is amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 255, 21.9.2016, p. 1.

<sup>(2)</sup> Council Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 of 27 May 2002 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities associated with the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida organisations (OJ L 139, 29.5.2002, p. 9).

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Luxembourg, 8 June 2023.

*For the Council*  
*The President*  
M. MALMER STENERGARD

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*ANNEX*

The following entry is deleted from Annex I to Regulation (EU) 2016/1686 under heading 'A. Natural persons referred to in Article 3'

- '9. Sultan Aziz AZAM (a.k.a. Aziz Azam, Sultan Aziz, Sultan Azziz Azzam, Sultan Aziz Ezzam); date of birth: 1985; place of birth: Afghanistan; nationality: Afghan.'
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