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**COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2024/1340**

**of 13 May 2024**

**implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2063 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Venezuela**

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

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

Having regard to Council Regulation (EU) 2017/2063 of 13 November 2017 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Venezuela <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 17(4) thereof,

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

Whereas:

- (1) On 13 November 2017, the Council adopted Regulation (EU) 2017/2063.
- (2) On 10 November 2023, the Council adopted Decision (CFSP) 2023/2498 <sup>(2)</sup>, which renewed the restrictive measures in place until 14 May 2024. On the same day, the Council adopted Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2500 <sup>(3)</sup>.
- (3) On the basis of a review of the list of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies set out in Annex IV to Regulation (EU) 2017/2063, the entries for six natural persons set out in that Annex should be updated.
- (4) Annex IV to Regulation (EU) 2017/2063 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Annex IV to Regulation (EU) 2017/2063 is amended in accordance with 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*.

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

Done at Brussels, 13 May 2024.

*For the Council*

*The President*

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<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 295, 14.11.2017, p. 21.

<sup>(2)</sup> Council Decision (CFSP) 2023/2498 of 10 November 2023 amending Decision (CFSP) 2017/2074 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Venezuela (OJ L, 2023/2498, 13.11.2023, ELI: <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dec/2023/2498/oj>).

<sup>(3)</sup> Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2023/2500 of 10 November 2023 implementing Regulation (EU) 2017/2063 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Venezuela (OJ L, 2023/2500, 13.11.2023, ELI: [http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg\\_impl/2023/2500/oj](http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg_impl/2023/2500/oj)).

## ANNEX

In Annex IV to Regulation (EU) 2017/2063, in the ‘List of natural and legal persons, entities and bodies referred to in Article 8(3)’, entries 6, 9, 21, 23, 49 and 50 are replaced by the following:

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
‘6.	Tarek William SAAB HALABI	Date of birth: 10 September 1963 Place of birth: El Tigre, Anzoátegui state, Venezuela Gender: male	President of the Republican Moral Council since December 2023. Venezuelan Attorney General appointed by the Constituent Assembly. In those roles, and in previous roles as Ombudsman and President of the Republican Moral Council, he has undermined democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela by publicly supporting actions against opponents of the government of Venezuela and the withdrawal of competences from the National Assembly.	22.1.2018
9.	Sergio José RIVERO MARCANO	Date of birth: 8 November 1964 Gender: male	Inspector General of the Bolivarian National Armed Forces (FANB), General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard until 16 January 2018, placed in “active reserve” in July 2023. Involved in the repression of civil society and democratic opposition in Venezuela, and responsible for serious human rights violations committed by the Bolivarian National Guard under his command, including the excessive use of force, and the arbitrary detention and abuse of civil society and opposition members. His actions and policies as General Commander of the Bolivarian National Guard, including the Bolivarian National Guard assaulting members of the democratically elected National Assembly and intimidating journalists reporting on the fraudulent elections for the illegitimate Constituent Assembly, have undermined democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela.	25.6.2018

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
21.	Carlos Alberto CALDERÓN CHIRINOS	Date of Birth: 3 July 1970 ID number: V-10352300 Gender: male	Official with the elite command of the Venezuelan National Police (PNB/FAES). Appointed Deputy Director of the Directorate of Strategic and Tactical Actions (DAET) of the PNB in 2023. Former senior office holder (referred to as General Commissioner, Director of El Helicoide and Director of Strategic Investigations) in the Bolivarian National Intelligence Service (SEBIN). Officials of the Directorate for Strategic Investigations under his supervision have committed illegal detentions, acts of torture and other ill-treatment, and sexual and gender-based violence. Responsible for serious human rights violations, including torture, the use of excessive force and the mistreatment of detainees in SEBIN facilities. In particular, he has participated in and is responsible for acts of torture and the cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment of detainees at El Helicoide, a SEBIN prison.	27.9.2019
23.	Rafael Antonio FRANCO QUINTERO	Date of birth: 14 October 1973 ID number: V-11311672 Gender: male	Division General of the Venezuelan Bolivarian National Army (FANB). Agent in the Bolivarian National Intelligence Service (SEBIN). Head of Security at Maiquetía International Airport since August 2019. Director of the Special Directorate of Criminal and Criminalistics Investigations (DEIPC) at the Directorate-General of Military Counter-Intelligence (Dirección General de Contrainteligencia Militar (DGCIM)) between November 2016 and November 2018. Responsible for serious human rights violations, including torture, the use of excessive force and the ill-treatment of detainees in DGCIM facilities by members of the DGCIM under his command, notably at the Boleita detention centre. Officials under his authority were also implicated in sexual violence against detainees. Also responsible for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition by members of the DGCIM under his command. Linked to the death of Captain Acosta Arévalo.	27.9.2019

	Name	Identifying information	Reasons	Date of listing
49.	Tania D'AMELIO CARDIET	Date of birth: 5 December 1971 Place of birth: Italy Nationality: Venezuelan ID-number: V-11691429 Gender: female	Second Vice President of the Supreme Court (Tribunal Supremo de Justicia (TSJ)), and President of the Constitutional Chamber of that court, since January 2024. Former member (rector) of the National Electoral Council (Consejo Nacional Electoral (CNE)) for the period 2016-2023. Former Member (rector) of the CNE for the period 2010-2016. Tania d'Amelio Cardiet, as rector of the CNE since 2010, contributed directly by her activity in her functions to the undermining of democracy and the rule of law in Venezuela, including by preparing the non-democratic 2020 National Assembly elections, participating in the change of 30 June 2020 to the electoral norms for those elections, and participating in the organisation and execution of the 2018 presidential elections. Moreover, Tania d'Amelio Cardiet accepted her 2016 appointment at the CNE by the Supreme Court, although this prerogative belongs to the National Assembly.	22.2.2021
50.	José Miguel DOMÍNGUEZ RAMÍREZ	Date of birth: 17 October 1979 ID-number: V-14444352 Gender: male	Director of the Directorate of Strategic and Tactical Actions (DAET) since July 2022 and Assistant Director of the Bolivarian National Police (PNB) since July 2023. Former Director of the Special Action Forces (Fuerzas de Acciones Especiales (FAES)). Former Chief Commissioner of the FAES in Táchira State. Additionally, José Miguel Domínguez Ramírez was the Director of Operations of the FAES, which fall within Venezuela's Bolivarian National Police. Responsible for serious human rights violations and repressing of civil society and democratic opposition in Venezuela committed by FAES officials under his authority. The FAES are known for extrajudicial killings and their violent role in suppressing dissent from Maduro's political opponents, the opposition, and protesters, which is why the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, Michelle Bachelet, has demanded the dissolution of the FAES. Moreover, previously, Domínguez Ramírez was a member of the Venezuelan security team that opened fire on unarmed student protestors on 12 February 2014, resulting in the death of at least one of the students, Bassil Da Costa.	22.2.2021'