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Sanctions program: Kongo: Verordnung vom 22. Juni 2005 über Massnahmen gegenüber der Demokratischen Republik Kongo (SR 946.231.12), Anhänge 1 und 2 Origin: UN, EU

Sanctions: Art. 2 Abs. 1 (Finanzsanktionen) und Art. 4 Abs. 1 und 3 (Ein- und

Durchreiseverbot), Anhang 2

Sanctions program: Congo: Ordonnance du 22 juin 2005 instituant des mesures à l'encontre de la République démocratique du Congo (RS 946.231.12), annexes 1 et 2

Origin: UN, EU Sanctions: art. 2, al. 1 (Sanctions financières) et art. 4, al. 1 et 3

(Interdiction de séjour et de transit), annexe 2

Sanctions program: Congo: Ordinanza del 22 giugno 2005 che istituisce provvedimenti nei confronti della Repubblica democratica del Congo (RS 946.231.12), allegati 1 e 2 **Origin:** UN, EU **Sanctions:** art. 2 cpv. 1 (Sanzioni finanziarie) e art. 4 cpv. 1 e 3 (Divieto di entrata e di transito), allegato 2

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Individuals

SSID: 100-64706 Name: Byamungu Bernard Maheshe

Sex: M DOB: 10 Oct 1974 Good quality a.k.a.: Tiger One Nationality: Congo DR Justification: a) Bernard Byamungu holds a leading position in the military branch of the Mouvement du 23 mars (M23)/Armée révolutionnaire congolaise (ARC) as Brigadier-General and Deputy-Commander of operations of this non-governmental armed group operating in Eastern DRC. b) The M23/ARC sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC and is responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through attacks against civilians and the Congolese armed forces (FARDC), killings, torture, rapes and forced labour, such as a series of killings targeting civilians in the town of Kisheshe on 29 Nov 2022. c) Owing to his leading position in the M23/ARC, Bernard Byamungu is therefore involved in planning, directing or committing acts that constitute serious human rights violations or abuses in the DRC. He is also responsible for sustaining the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC. Other information: Function/rank: Brigadier-General in M23/ARC, Deputy Commander of operations Modifications: Listed on 15 Aug 2023

SSID: 100-64716 Name: Rukunda Michel

Sex: M DOB: 12 Sep 1974 POB: Minembwe, South Kivu, Congo DR Good quality a.k.a.:

Makanika Nationality: Congo DR

Justification: a) Michel Rukunda is a former Colonel of the Congolese armed forces (FARDC) and the Commander and Military leader of the non-governmental armed group Twirwaneho operating in South Kivu, which claims to represent the Banyamulenge Community. b) Twirwaneho sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC and is responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through the voluntary or forced child recruitment to participate actively in hostilities, attacks against civilians and the Congolese armed forces (FARDC), and killings, such as attacks against civilians in Mikenge village in Nov 2021 which killed at least six persons. c) In addition,

Michel Rukunda has been directly involved in the military training of recruits and in the use of children, including as armed escorts. **d)** Owing to his leading position in Twirwaneho and his direct involvement in the training and use of children, Michel Rukunda is therefore involved in planning, directing or committing acts that constitute serious human rights violations or abuses in the DRC. He is also responsible for sustaining the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC. **Other information:** Function/rank: Commander and Military leader of the armed group Twirwaneho in South Kivu **Modifications:** Listed on 15 Aug 2023

SSID: 100-64729 Name: Sematama Charles

Sex: M DOB: 1975 POB: Kalunyo, Kamombo, South Kivu, Congo DR Good quality a.k.a.:

Sebanyana Nationality: Congo DR

Justification: a) Charles Sematama is a former officer of the Congolese armed forces (FARDC) and holds the leading position of Commander and Deputy Military leader of the non-governmental armed group Twirwaneho operating in South Kivu, which claims to represent the Banyamulenge Community. b) Twirwaneho sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC and is responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through the voluntary or forced child recruitment to participate actively in hostilities, attacks against civilians and the Congolese armed forces (FARDC), and killings, such as attacks against civilians in Mikenge village in Nov 2021 which killed at least six persons. c) In addition, Charles Sematama has been directly involved in propaganda sessions as well as in the forced recruitment and use of children, including as armed escorts. d) Owing to his leading position in Twirwaneho and his direct involvement in the forced recruitment and use of children, Charles Sematama is therefore involved in planning, directing or committing acts that constitute serious human rights violations or abuses in the DRC. He is also responsible for sustaining the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC. Other information: Function/rank: Commander, Deputy military leader of Twirwaneho Modifications: Listed on 15 Aug 2023

SSID: 100-64741 Name: Hassan Ahmad Mahmood

Sex: M DOB: 1993 (approximately) Good quality a.k.a.: a) Hassan Ahmad Mahamood b) Hassan Ahmad Mahmoud c) Jundi d) Abwakasi e) Abuwakas f) Murabu g) Marabou h) Mwarabu Nationality: Tanzania

Justification: a) Ahmad Mahmood Hassan is a senior leader of the Allied Democratic Forces (ADF), a non-governmental armed group operating in Uganda and the Eastern DRC. He has been identified as holding key responsibilities in the ADF, including command of a camp, training of recruits, production of bombs, online outreach and rapprochement with ISIL (Da'esh). b) The ADF sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC (particularly in the Ituri and North Kivu provinces) and is responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through attacks against civilians, killings and abductions, such as the attacks in Mar 2023 in southern and south-east Beni territory killing more than 80 civilians and abducting more than 20 others. c) In addition, Ahmad Mahmood Hassan has been directly involved in the planning and conduct of ADF attacks, including a bombing in the small town of Kasindi (Beni territory) on 15 Jan 2023 and a bomb attack in Goma on 7 Apr 2022 which killed six persons and injured sixteen others. d) Owing to his senior leading position within the ADF and his direct involvement in the planning and conduct of ADF attacks, Ahmad Mahmood Hassan is therefore involved in planning, directing or committing acts that constitute serious human rights violations or abuses in the DRC. He is also

responsible for sustaining the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC. Other information: Function/rank: ADF senior leader Modifications: Listed on 15 Aug 2023

SSID: 100-64759 **Name:** Buingo Janvier Karairi

Sex: M DOB: 1962 (approximately) Good quality a.k.a.: Buingo Janvier Karahiri

Nationality: Congo DR

Justification: a) Janvier Karairi holds the leading position of General and head of the Alliance des patriotes pour un Congo libre et souverain (APCLS), a non-governmental armed group operating in the North-Eastern DRC and involved in the coalition of armed groups "Alliance des résistants de la patrie" (ARP) against the Mouvement du 23 mars (M23)/Armée révolutionnaire congolaise (ARC). b) The APCLS sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC and is responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through participating in operations of the coalition of armed groups ARP, such as in Kitshanga and Rubaya in Jan and late Feb 2023, killings of and attacks against civilians, notably against Congolese Tutsi's, and grave violations committed against children such as rapes and other forms of sexual violence and abduction. c) Owing to his leading position in the APCLS, Janvier Karairi is therefore involved in planning, directing or committing acts that constitute serious human rights violations or abuses in the DRC. He is also responsible for sustaining the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC. Other information: a) Function/rank: General, head of APCLS b) Nationality: Assumed

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SSID: 100-64769 Name: Gesi Justin Maki

Sex: M Good quality a.k.a.: Le petit loup de la montagne Nationality: Congo DR Justification: a) Justin Maki Gesi holds a leading position as Commander of the ALC/CODECO, a non-governmental armed group operating in North-Eastern DRC (especially Ituri). b) The ALC/CODECO sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC and is responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through the use of children as combatants, abductions, killings of and attacks against civilians, such as the attack on the villages of Nyamamba and Mbogi on 13 Jan 2023 after which more than 40 victims were found. c) Owing to his leading position in the CODECO/ALC, Justin Maki Gesi is therefore involved in planning, directing or committing acts that constitute serious human rights violations or abuses in the DRC. He is also responsible for sustaining the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC. Other information: a) Function/rank: Commander of CODECO/Alliance pour le Développement du Congo (CODECO/ALC) b) Nationality: Assumed Congolese (DRC) Modifications: Listed on 15 Aug 2023

SSID: 100-64778 Name: Hakizimana Apollinaire

Sex: M DOB: 1964 Good quality a.k.a.: a) le poète b) Adonia Nationality: Rwanda Justification: a) Apollinaire Hakizimana is a military leader of the "Forces démocratiques de libération du Rwanda-Forces combattantes abacunguzi" (FDLR-FOCA), as General and Commissioner of Defense of this non-governmental armed group operating in Eastern DRC. b) The FDLR-FOCA sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC and is responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through recruitment and training of combatants, killings of civilians, and grave violations committed against children such as rapes and other acts of sexual violence and abduction. c) Owing to his leading position in the FDLR-FOCA, Apollinaire Hakizimana is therefore involved in planning, directing or committing acts that constitute serious human rights violations or abuses in the

DRC. He is also responsible for sustaining the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC. Other information: Function/rank: Lieutenant-General within FDLR/Commissioner of Defense Modifications: Listed on 15 Aug 2023

SSID: 100-64790 Name: Tokolonga Simon

Sex: M DOB: 17 Apr 1972 POB: Kishandja, North Kivu, Congo DR Good quality a.k.a.:

Tokolonga Salomon Nationality: Congo DR

Justification: a) Colonel Simon Tokolonga holds a leading position in the Congolese Armed Forces (FARDC) as head of its 3411th regiment. b) Colonel Tokolonga attended a meeting in Pinga on 8 and 9 May 2022 where local armed groups, such as the Nduma défense du Congo-Rénové (NDC-R) and the Alliance des patriotes pour un Congo libre et souverain (APCLS), gathered and forged a coalition to resist the Mouvement du 23 mars (M23)/Armée révolutionnaire congolaise (ARC) (coalition "Alliance des résistants de la patrie" - ARP). The presence of Colonel Tokolonga has revealed the cooperation of some FARDC members with this coalition. c) In addition, members of the 3411th regiment of the FARDC have supplied weapons and ammunitions to armed groups operating in the DRC, including the provision of more than a dozen boxes of ammunition to FDLR ("Forces démocratiques de libération du Rwanda") fighters in Kazaroho in Jul 2022. Colonel Tokolonga has reportedly coordinated several weapons supplies to armed groups operating against M23/ARC. d) The non-governmental armed groups part of the ARP coalition, including the NDC-R, APCLS and FDLR, sustain the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC, and are responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through recruitment and training of combatants, participation in operations against M23/ARC, attacks against civilians, killings, and grave violations committed against children such as rapes and other forms of sexual violence and abduction. e) Owing to his leading position in the 3411th regiment of the FARDC and his coordinating role in weapons supplies, Simon Tokolonga is therefore responsible for providing support to armed groups sustaining the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC, including by providing them with arms and ammunitions. Other information: Function/rank: Colonel, commander of the FARDC 3411th regiment

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SSID: 100-64804 Name: Niragire Jean Pierre

Sex: M Good quality a.k.a.: Gasasira Jean-Pierre Nationality: Rwanda Justification: a) Captain Jean-Pierre Niragire holds the leading position of commander of the Rwanda Defense Forces (RDF) special forces deployed in the North Kivu region of the DRC from May 2022 onward. b) The objective of the RDF military actions on the DRC territory has been to reinforce the March 23 Movement/Congolese Revolutionary Army (M23/ARC), a non-governmental armed group operating in Eastern DRC, in particular by providing it with troops and materiel. c) The M23/ARC sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC, and is responsible for serious human rights abuses in that country, in particular through attacks against civilians and the Congolese armed forces (FARDC), killings, torture, rapes and forced labour, such as a series of killings targeting civilians in the town of Kisheshe on 29 Nov 2022. d) As commander of the RDF special forces deployed in the North Kivu region, Jean Pierre Niragire is therefore responsible for providing support to the armed group M23/ARC, which sustains the armed conflict, instability and insecurity in the DRC, in particular by providing it with troops and materiel. Other information: Function/rank: Captain. Commander of the Rwandese Defence Forces (RDF) Special Forces Unit active in Northern Kivu. Modifications: Listed on 15 Aug 2023