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## State Secretariat for Economic Affairs SECO Bilateral Economic Relations Sanctions

Modification of 20.12.2023 with entry into force on 21.12.2023

Verordnung vom 17. Oktober 2018 über Massnahmen gegenüber Myanmar (SR 946.231.157.5), Anhang 1

Art. 2 Abs. 1 (Finanzsanktionen) und Art. 3 Abs. 1 (Ein- und Durchreiseverbot)

Origin: EU

Ordonnance du 17 octobre 2018 instituant des mesures à l'encontre du Myanmar (RS 946.231.157.5), annexe 1

art. 2, al. 1 (Sanctions financières) et art. 3, al. 1 (Interdiction de séjour et de transit)

Origin: EU

Ordinanza del 17 ottobre 2018 che istituisce provvedimenti nei confronti del Myanmar (RS 946.231.157.5), allegato 1

art. 2 cpv. 1 (Sanzioni finanziarie) e art. 3 cpv. 1 (Divieto di entrata e di transito)

Origin: EU

## **Listed**

## **Individuals**

**SSID**: 145-69094 Name: Nyo Saw

Sex: M POB: Myanmar Nationality: Myanmar

Justification: a) In September 2023, Lieutenant General Nyo Saw has been appointed as a member of the State Administration Council after having been appointed senior advisor to the State Administration Council (SAC) Chairman, Senior General Min Aung Hlaing (who has been designated since 22.3.2021) at the rank of a Union Minister. He is also head of a committee tasked with importing fuel from Russia, the regime's major arms supplier. Nyo Saw retired from the army in 2020 as quartermaster general. He also serves as a member of the Foreign Exchange Supervision Committee (FESC) and as the chairman of the militaryowned conglomerate Myanmar Economic Corporation (MEC), both of which generate revenue for the regime. He is also a member of the patron group of Myanmar Economic Holdings Ltd (MEHL). As a member of the SAC and advisor to the SAC Chairman, Nyo Saw plays a key role in maintaining and orchestrating the military dictatorship in Myanmar that seized power through a military coup in 2021, overthrowing the democratically elected government. Through his roles in the steering of military owned enterprises and in managing fuel imports from Russia, including for military use, he also provides economic supports and income to the military regime. Nyo Saw is associated with former and current junta regime members. b) Nyo Saw is therefore a natural person whose policies and activities undermine democracy and the rule of law in Myanmar/Burma, and who engages in actions that threaten the peace, security and stability of Myanmar/Burma. Additionally, Nyo Saw is associated with persons designated under Council Decision 2013/184/CFSP and Council Regulation (EU) No 401/2013, notably General Min Aung Hlaing. Other information: a) Function: Member of the State Administration Council (SAC) and Advisor to Min Aung Hlaing (Chairman of the SAC) b) Rank: Lieutenant General c) Political rank: Union Minister

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**SSID:** 145-69103 **Name:** Hla Moe

Sex: M POB: Myanmar Nationality: Myanmar

Justification: a) Major General Hla Moe is the commander of the Eastern Command. Under his command, airstrikes in particular in Kayah state have risen sharply, doubling the combined total in 2021 and 2022. These airstrikes increasingly target civilians, leading to higher civilian casualties and an increasing number of IDPs (up from a total of 200 000 in 2022 to 250 000 so far in 2023). Under the command of Hla Moe, the military units of the Eastern Command continue to commit serious breaches of international humanitarian law and human rights violations, including using civilians as human shields, extrajudicial killings and arson in Southern Shan and Kayah State. In addition to committing these acts of violence, they actively obstruct the flow of food supply, medicines and essential goods and services to the local population and IDPs. b) As commander of the Eastern Command, Hla Moe is a member of the Myanmar Armed Forces (Tatmadaw) responsible for serious human rights violations in Myanmar/Burma, as well as for obstructing the provision of humanitarian assistance to civilians in need. Furthermore, his actions and activities undermine democracy and the rule of law in Myanmar/Burma, and he engages in actions that threaten the peace, security and stability of Myanmar/Burma. Other information: a) Function: Commander of the Eastern Command of the Myanmar Armed Forces (Tatmadaw) b) Rank: Major General Modifications: Listed on 21 Dec 2023

**SSID:** 145-69113 **Name:** Hmu Htan

Sex: M POB: Myanmar Nationality: Myanmar

Justification: a) Hmu Htan has been a member of the State Administrative Council (SAC) since 20 February 2023. He is also a member of military-proxy party Union Solidarity and Development Party (USDP). b) On 1 February 2021, the Myanmar Armed Forces (Tatmadaw), led by Commander-in-Chief Min Aung Hlaing, staged a coup in Myanmar by setting aside the results of the elections held on 8 November 2020 and by overthrowing the democratically elected government. As part of the coup, Vice-President Myint Swe, functioning as Acting President, declared a state of emergency on 1 February 2021 and transferred the legislative, executive and judicial powers of the state to the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services. Senior General Min Aung Hlaing. On 2 February 2021, the SAC was established to exercise those powers, preventing the democratically elected government from fulfilling its mandate. c) As member of the SAC, Hmu Htan has been directly involved in and responsible for decision-making concerning state functions and is therefore responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law in Myanmar/Burma. Additionally, the SAC has adopted decisions restricting the rights to freedom of expression, including access to information, and peaceful assembly. The military forces and authorities operating under the control of the SAC have committed serious human rights violations since 1 February 2021, killing civilian and unarmed protestors, restricting freedom of assembly and of expression, including by restricting internet access, and through arbitrary arrests and detention of opposition leaders and opponents of the coup. Further, the SAC has imposed martial law in parts of the country giving the military complete authority over the specified area, including administrative, judicial and law enforcement functions. In the areas under martial law, civilians, including journalists and peaceful protesters, are prosecuted by military courts, effectively depriving them of the right to due process, including the right to an appeal. Violent action by military and police forces threatening peace, security and stability has increased significantly in areas where martial law has been declared. d) Due to his position as member of the SAC, Hmu Htan is directly responsible for those repressive decisions and

for serious human rights violations. **Other information: a)** Date of birth: Between 1960 and 1975 **b)** Function: Member of the State Administration Council (SAC) **Modifications:** Listed on 21 Dec 2023

SSID: 145-69124 Name: Wunna Maung Lwin

Sex: M DOB: 30 May 1952 POB: Myanmar Nationality: Myanmar

Justification: a) Wunna Maung Lwin is a member of the State Administrative Council (SAC) since 20 February 2023. He is also a member of military-proxy party Union Solidarity and Development Party (USDP). b) On 1 February 2021, the Myanmar Armed Forces (Tatmadaw), led by Commander-in-Chief Min Aung Hlaing, staged a coup in Myanmar by setting aside the results of the elections held on 8 November 2020 and by overthrowing the democratically elected government. As part of the coup, Vice-President Myint Swe, functioning as Acting President, declared a state of emergency on 1 February 2021 and transferred the legislative, executive and judicial powers of the state to the Commander-in-Chief of Defence Services Senior General Min Aung Hlaing. On 2 February 2021, the SAC was established to exercise those powers, preventing the democratically elected government from fulfilling its mandate. c) As member of the SAC, Wunna Maung Lwin has been directly involved in and responsible for decision-making concerning state functions and is therefore responsible for undermining democracy and the rule of law in Myanmar/Burma. Additionally, the SAC adopted decisions restricting the rights to freedom of expression. including access to information, and peaceful assembly. d) The military forces and authorities operating under the control of the SAC have committed serious human rights violations since 1 February 2021, killing civilians and unarmed protestors, restricting freedom of assembly and of expression, including by restricting internet access, and through arbitrary arrests and detention of opposition leaders and opponents of the coup. Further, the SAC has imposed martial law in parts of the country allowing the military complete authority over the specified area, including administrative, judicial and law enforcement functions. In the areas under martial law, civilians, including journalists and peaceful protesters, are prosecuted by military courts, effectively depriving them of the right to due process, including the right to appeal. Violent actions by military and police forces threatening peace, security and stability has increased significantly in areas where martial law has been declared. e) Due to his position as member of the SAC and former Minister of Foreign Affairs of the junta, Wunna Maung Lwin is directly responsible for repressive decisions and for serious human rights violations as well as actions aimed at legitimizing them internationally. Other information: Function: Member of the State Administration Council (SAC); former junta's Foreign Affairs Minister Modifications: Listed on 21 Dec 2023

## **Entities**

SSID: 145-69136 Name: Star Sapphire Group of Companies

**Address: a)** Room (201), Building (C), Tet Ka Tho Yeik Mon Housing, New University Ave Rd, Yangon, Myanmar **b)** No 30 B room 701/702 Yadanar Inya Condo Than Lwin Rd, Yangon, Myanmar

**Justification:** The Star Sapphire Group of Companies plays an important role in generating income for the military regime and in providing arms and other equipment used by the armed forces. The group of companies is controlled by individuals linked to the Myanmar military and has been involved in a wide range of business sectors, including mining, manufacturing, defence, casinos, energy, agriculture and trade. The Star Sapphire Group of Companies

therefore generates revenue for, provides support to and benefits from the Myanmar Armed Forces (Tatmadaw). **Modifications:** Listed on 21 Dec 2023

**SSID:** 145-69142 **Name:** Royal Shune Lei Company Limited **Address:** No (37), Room (10), Bahosi Housing, Lanmadaw Township, Yangon, Myanmar **Justification:** The Royal Shune Lei Company Limited is a private enterprise that has contributed to the procurement of arms and military equipment for the benefit of the Myanmar armed forces. In so doing, it has supported activities that threaten the peace,

security and stability of Myanmar/Burma. Modifications: Listed on 21 Dec 2023