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**Sanctions program:** Nicaragua: Verordnung vom 24. Juni 2020 über Massnahmen gegenüber Nicaragua (SR 946.231.158.5), Anhang **Origin:** EU **Sanctions:** Art. 2 Abs. 1 (Finanzsanktionen) und Art. 3 Abs. 1 (Ein- und Durchreiseverbot)

**Sanctions program:** Nicaragua: Ordonnance du 24 juin 2020 instituant des mesures à l'encontre du Nicaragua (RS 946.231.158.5), annexe **Origin:** EU **Sanctions:** art. 2, al. 1 (Sanctions financières) et art. 3, al. 1 (Interdiction de séjour et de transit)

**Sanctions program:** Nicaragua: Ordinanza del 24 giugno 2020 istituisce provvedimenti nei confronti del Nicaragua (RS 946.231.158.5), allegato **Origin:** EU **Sanctions:** art. 2 cpv. 1 (Sanzioni finanziarie) e art. 3 cpv. 1 (Divieto di entrata e di transito)

## **Amended**

## **Individuals**

SSID: 400-42062 Foreign identifier: 5 Name: Luís Pérez Olivas

**Sex:** M **DOB:** 8 Jan 1956

**Justification:** General Commissioner and Legal Assistance Main Officer (DAEJ) in the 'El Chipote' penitentiary centre. Responsible for serious human rights violations, including torture, use of extensive force, mistreatment of detainees and other forms of degrading treatment. **Modifications:** Listed on 24 Jun 2020, amended on 24 Oct 2023

SSID: 400-46211 Name: Rosario María Murillo Zambrana

Sex: W DOB: 22 Jun 1951 POB: Managua, Nicaragua Good quality a.k.a.: Rosario María

Murillo de Ortega Nationality: Nicaragua Identification document: Passport No.

A00000106, Nicaragua

Justification: Vice President of Nicaragua, First Lady of Nicaragua and a leader of the Sandinista Youth. According to President Daniel Ortega, who presents her as the de facto "co-President" of the country. Rosario María Murillo Zambrana shares half of power with him. She played an instrumental role in encouraging and justifying the repression of opposition demonstrations by the Nicaraguan National Police in 2018. In Jun 2021, she publicly threatened the Nicaraguan opposition and discredited independent journalists. Those threats have been repeated since then. In Feb 2023, Daniel Ortega revealed that Rosario María Murillo Zambrana is the instigator of new repressions, namely related to the expulsion and deprivation of citizenship of 222 political prisoners. She is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations, for the repression of civil society and democratic opposition, and for undermining democracy in Nicaragua. Other information: Position(s): Vice President of the Republic of Nicaragua (since 2017), wife of President Daniel Ortega Modifications: Listed on 13 Aug 2021, amended on 24 Oct 2023

SSID: 400-46223 Name: Gustavo Eduardo Porras Cortés

Sex: M DOB: 11 Oct 1954 POB: Managua, Nicaragua Nationality: Nicaragua

**Justification:** President of the National Assembly of Nicaragua since Jan 2017 and member of the national direction of the Sandinista National Liberation Front (FSLN) since 1996. In his position as the President of the National Assembly of Nicaragua, he is responsible for

promoting the adoption of several repressive legal acts, among them an amnesty law that precludes any investigation into the perpetrators of massive human rights violations in 2018, and laws undermining freedom and democratic process in Nicaragua Nicaragua, and laws depriving the civil rights of civilians, including the Bishop of Matagalpa, Rolando José Álvarez Lagos. He is therefore responsible for the repression of civil society and society, democratic opposition, representatives of the Church, as well as for seriously undermining democracy and the rule of law in Nicaragua. Other information: Position(s): President of the National Assembly of the Republic of Nicaragua (since Jan 2017) Modifications: Listed on 13 Aug 2021, amended on 24 Oct 2023

**SSID:** 400-46250 **Name:** Fidel de Jesús Domínguez Álvarez

Sex: M DOB: 21 Mar 1960 Nationality: Nicaragua

Justification: In his position as chiefChief of the police in Leon since 23 Aug 2018 and then General Commissioner of the National Police since Sep 2020, Fidel de Jesús Domínguez Alvarez is responsible for numerous serious violations of human rights, in particular arbitrary arrests and detention, including the kidnapping of members of a political opponent's family, death threats, the excessive use of force and violations of freedom of expression and freedom of the media. He is considered as one of the main figures of repression against the democratic opposition in the region of Leon. He is therefore responsible for serious human rights violations and the repression of civil society and democratic opposition. Other information: Position(s): Chief of police in Leon, General Commissioner of the National Police Modifications: Listed on 13 Aug 2021, amended on 24 Oct 2023

SSID: 400-47157 Name: Brenda Isabel Rocha Chacón

Sex: W DOB: 10 Feb 1967 POB: Bonanza, Nicaragua Nationality: Nicaragua Justification: Brenda Isabel Rocha Chacón has been since May 2021 President of the Supreme Electoral Council (SEC) – a body responsible for the preparation, holding and certification of the general elections of 7 Nov 2021 and local elections of 6 Nov 2022, which, by their lack of transparency, true opposition and democratic debate, undermined democratic institutions and processes. The SEC deprived the opposition of the opportunity to stand for free elections and ensured the organisation of polls in non-democratic conditions. She is therefore responsible for the repression of democratic opposition and for undermining democracy and the rule of law in Nicaragua. Other information: Position(s): President of the Supreme Electoral Council Modifications: Listed on 21 Jan 2022, amended on 24 Oct 2023

SSID: 400-47166 Name: Cairo Melvin Amador Arrieta

Sex: M DOB: 1952 Nationality: Nicaragua

Justification: Cairo Melvin Amador Arrieta has been since May 2021 the Vice-President of the Supreme Electoral Council (SEC) – a body responsible for the preparation, holding and certification of the general elections of 7 Nov 2021 and local elections of 6 Nov 2022, which, by their lack of transparency, true opposition and democratic debate, undermined democratic institutions and processes. The SEC deprived the opposition of the opportunity to stand for <u>free</u> elections and ensured the organisation of polls in non-democratic conditions. He is therefore responsible for the repression of democratic opposition and for undermining democracy and the rule of law in Nicaragua. **Other information:** <u>Position(s):</u> Vice-President of the Supreme Electoral Council **Modifications:** Listed on 21 Jan 2022, amended on 24 Oct 2023

SSID: 400-47173 Name: Lumberto Ignacio Campbell Hooker

Sex: M DOB: 3 Dec 1949 POB: Raas, Nicaragua Nationality: Nicaragua Identification

document: Passport No. A00001109, Nicaragua

Justification: Lumberto Ignacio Campbell Hooker has been since 2014 a member of the Supreme Electoral Council (SEC) – a body responsible for the preparation, holding and certification of the general elections of 7 Nov 2021 and local elections of 6 Nov 2022, which, by their lack of transparency, true opposition and democratic debate, undermined democratic institutions and processes. The SEC deprived the opposition of the opportunity to stand for free elections and ensured the organisation of polls in non-democratic conditions. His mandate as member of the SEC was renewed by the General Assembly in May 2021. He spoke to the media during the general elections of 7 Nov 2021 electionsand local elections of 6 Nov 2022, justifying and praising their organisation. He is therefore responsible for the repression of democratic opposition and for undermining democracy and the rule of law in Nicaragua. Other information: a) Position(s): Member of the Supreme Electoral Council, acting President of the Supreme Electoral Council in 2018 b) ID number: 6010302490003J Modifications: Listed on 21 Jan 2022, amended on 24 Jan 2023, 24 Oct 2023

## **Entities**

**SSID**: 400-47216 **Name**: Nicaraguan Institute of Telecommunications and Postal Services **DOF**: 12 Jun 1982 **Address**: Avenida Bolívar, Esquina diagonal al edifico de la Cancillería, Aptdo 2664, Managua, 10000, Nicaragua

Justification: The Nicaraguan Institute of Telecommunications and Postal Services (TELCOR) is the regulatory entity for telecommunications and postal services. It has been used by the Nicaraguan authorities to silence independent media, including three news organisations since 2018, during the repression of 2018 and after the general elections of 2021. During the general elections campaign, TELCOR was implementing a disinformation campaign on a large scale. As the institution in charge of the implementation of the "cybersecurity law", TELCOR has been commanding and operating surveillance actions regarding civil society and democratic opposition. In addition, TELCOR continues its campaign of tight media control by shutting down radio stations close to the democratic opposition. TELCOR is therefore responsible for serious violations of human rights, and the repression of civil society and democratic opposition. Other information: Website: https://www.telcor.gob.ni Modifications: Listed on 21 Jan 2022, amended on 24 Oct 2023