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

Origin: EU

Ordonnance du 28 juin 2023 instituant des mesures concernant Moldova (RS 946.231.156.5), annexe

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

Origin: EU

Ordinanza del 28 giugno 2023 che istituisce provvedimenti concernenti Moldova (RS 946.231.156.5), allegato

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

Origin: EU

## Individuals

SSID: 700-71272 Name: Guzun Chiril

Sex: M DOB: 27 Apr 1979 POB: Ratus, Criuleni, Moldova Nationality: Moldova Justification: a) Chiril Guzun is the founder and current leader of the "Scutul Poporului", a paramilitary organisation in the Republic of Moldova, including former military, police and law-enforcement personnel, which uses violence while attending protests, particularly to destabilise the Republic of Moldova. During the attempts of February 2023 to destabilise the national government, groups of protesters affiliated to the subsequently-banned "Partidul SOR" and to the Building Europe at Home Party, "Partidul Acasă Construim Europa" (PACE) were supported and surrounded by members of the "Scutul Poporului", who were involved in riots and violent demonstrations. b) Chiril Guzun is also a long-time acquaintance of Gheorghe Cavcaliuc, a listed person and the leader of the "PACE" party. Cavcaliuc admitted to coordinating with Guzun's organisation regarding the violent protests. In addition, Natalia Guzun, the wife of Chiril Guzun, is vice-president of the "PACE" party. c) In the role of "Scutul Poporului" leader, by directing, engaging in and supporting violent demonstrations, Chiril Guzun is responsible for actions which undermine and threaten the rule of law, stability and security in the Republic of Moldova. Furthermore, Chiril Guzun is associated with Gheorghe Cavcaliuc and with "Scutul Poporului". Other information: Former border police officer, currently the leader of a paramilitary group, "SCUTUL POPORULUI" Modifications: Listed on 5 Mar 2024

SSID: 700-71283 Name: Milyutin Dmitry

Sex: M DOB: 30 May 1967 POB: Ijevsk, Russian Federation Nationality: Russian

Federation

**Justification:** Dmitry Milyutin is the Deputy Head of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB)'s Department of Operational Intelligence, responsible for Russia's covert operations in the Republic of Moldova since 2016, especially in the Transnistria region, destabilising the constitutional order. Through his operatives, Milyutin directs, coordinates and manipulates

chosen political actors in the Republic of Moldova in order to pursue pro-Russian agendas, thus undermining the democratic political process in the Republic of Moldova. Furthermore, Milyutin's group is involved in organising violent protests and other acts of violence taking place in the Republic of Moldova. By seriously undermining the democratic political process, attempting to destabilise the constitutional order, and by facilitating violent demonstrations and other acts of violence, Dmitry Milyutin is supporting actions which undermine and threaten the sovereignty and independence, democracy, rule of law, stability and security of the Republic of Moldova. He is also associated with the listed person Igor Chaika. **Other information: a)** Deputy head of the Department of Operational Intelligence of Directorate 5, Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) **b)** ID Card Number: 0134180 **Modifications:** Listed on 5 Mar 2024

**SSID**: 700-71293 **Name**: Corşicova Arina Evgheni **Sex**: W **DOB**: 28 Dec 1974 **Nationality**: Moldova

Justification: a) Arina Corsicova leads several communications media trusts in the Republic of Moldova, one of which owns two television channels, "ACCENT TV" and "PRIMUL ÎN MOLDOVA", the broadcasting licences of which were suspended by the Republic of Moldova, for disseminating incorrect information concerning the Russian war of aggression against Ukraine and current political events in the Republic of Moldova. Despite losing its television broadcasting licence, "Primul în Moldova" continues to disseminate false statements aimed at destabilising the constitutional order of the Republic of Moldova. b) In this context, Arina Corsicova is also undermining the democratic political process in the Republic of Moldova by leading a disinformation campaign and by being politically backed by listed person llan Shor. c) Furthermore, she is a long-time associate of llan Shor, having funded his electoral campaigns in the past and being an indirect shareholder of the "Banca Socială", involved in the "Bank Fraud" case. d) By undermining the democratic political process and destabilising the constitutional order Arina Corsicova is supporting actions and policies which undermine and threaten democracy, the rule of law, and stability in the Republic of Moldova. Furthermore, she is associated with Ilan Shor. Other information: State Identification Number (IDNP): 0962011898118 Modifications: Listed on 5 Mar 2024

SSID: 700-71303 Name: Chitoroagă Dumitru Sex: M DOB: 23 Dec 1984 Nationality: Moldova

Justification: a) Dumitru Chitoroagă is the administrator of a media trust which owns several media communication channels in the Republic of Moldova, channels of which he is also the director. Those media communication channels frequently promote messages aimed at obstructing and undermining the democratic political process through evidently false claims regarding the government of the Republic of Moldova. Moreover, they express manifest support for listed person Ilan Shor and his political party "SHOR" ("ŞOR"). Some of those channels were owned or founded by Ilan Shor through intermediaries. b) The Republic of Moldova has legally suspended the broadcasting licences of several media channels, including those of "TV6" and "ORHEI TV", which are under the administration of Dumitru Chitoroagă, for disseminating incorrect information regarding current political events in the Republic of Moldova. c) Therefore, by obstructing and undermining the democratic political process, Dumitru Chitoroagă is responsible for actions which undermine and threaten democracy, the rule of law, stability and security in the Republic of Moldova. Furthermore, he is associated with Ilan Shor. Other information: a) State Identification Number (IDNP): 2002003101445 b) Passport number: AB1187605 Modifications: Listed on 5 Mar 2024

SSID: 700-71313 Name: Albot Maria

Sex: W DOB: 21 Jan 1986 Nationality: Moldova

**Justification:** Maria Albot is a long-time trusted associate of listed person Ilan Shor. She currently has a leading role in one of his foundations, the "Miron Shor" Foundation, and she is involved in the "Bank Fraud" case that affected the financial stability of the Republic of Moldova. Previously, she held positions in other companies or foundations owned by or associated with Ilan Shor. Therefore, she is associated with Ilan Shor. **Other information: a)** External relations advisor to the Bashkan of Gagauzia **b)** Administrator of the "Miron Shor" Foundation **c)** Shareholder of the "Banca Socială" **d)** State Identification Number (IDNP): 2000088038487 **Modifications:** Listed on 5 Mar 2024

SSID: 700-71323 Name: Petrov Victor

Sex: M DOB: 29 Jun 1975 Nationality: Moldova

Justification: a) Victor Petrov is a deputy to the bashkan of the People's Assembly of Gagauzia and the leader of the People's Union of Gagauzia, a manifestly pro-Russian sociopolitical movement that merged with the "Renaștere" political party. He receives political backing from listed person Ilan Shor. b) Victor Petrov is actively engaged in the dissemination of disinformation, and in inciting violence and fear among the Gagauzian people of the Republic of Moldova regarding a potential loss of autonomy provoked by the authorities in Chișinău. As a result, authorities in the Republic of Moldova have blocked one of his websites, "gagauznews.md". Nevertheless, the dissemination is continued through a new domain, "gagauznews.com" and through Petrov's declarations. c) By undermining the democratic political process and destabilising the constitutional order, Victor Petrov is supporting actions and policies which undermine and threaten democracy, the rule of law, and stability in the Republic of Moldova. He is also associated with Ilan Shor. Other information: a) Politician, member of the People's Assembly of Gagauzia b) State Identification Number (IDNP): 0973004885136 Modifications: Listed on 5 Mar 2024

SSID: 700-62615 Name: Shor Ilan Mironovich

Sex: M DOB: 6 Mar 1987 POB: Tel Aviv, Israel Good quality a.k.a.: Şor Ilan Mironovici Nationality: a) Moldova b) Israel Identification document: Passport No. 0971007884125, Moldova

Justification: a) Ilan Shor is a Moldovan politician (leader of the SOR Political Party) and businessman from the Republic of Moldova who is involved in the illegal financing of political parties in the Republic of Moldova and in incitement to violence against the political opposition. The SOR Party, which Ilan Shor leads, is involved in the payment and training of persons in order to provoke disorder and unrest during the protests in the Republic of Moldova. b) By a decision dated 13 Apr 2023, the Court of Appeal of Chisinau sentenced Ilan Shor for being guilty of fraud and money laundering in the "Bank Fraud" case to 15 years of imprisonment and the confiscation of assets for a value of EUR 254 million. Funds from this large-scale banking fraud and connections to corrupt oligarchs and Moscow-based entities have been and are still being used, according to authorities of the Republic of Moldova, to artificially create political unrest in the country. c) His actions directed towards subverting democracy in the Republic of Moldova include providing illegal funding to support pro-Kremlin political activity in the Republic of Moldova. An example of the use of such funds is the organisation of violent protests and rallies, primarily in the capital Chisinau, with the help of protestors paid by the SOR Party, throughout 2022 and 2023. d) By directing and planning violent demonstrations and through his serious financial misconduct concerning

public funds and the unauthorised export of capital, Ilan Shor is responsible for actions which undermine and threaten the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Moldova, and the democracy, the rule of law, stability and security in the Republic of Moldova. **Other information:** Function: businessman, president of the political party "SHOR" ("ŞOR") **Modifications:** Listed on 28 Jun 2023, amended on 5 Mar 2024

SSID: 700-62631 Name: Cavcaliuc Gheorghe Petru

Sex: M DOB: 25 Oct 1982 POB: Micăuți, Strășeni, Moldova Nationality: Moldova

Identification document: ID card No. 2000033042660, Moldova

Justification: a) Gheorghe Petru Cavcaliuc is the former Deputy Head of the General Police Inspectorate of the Republic of Moldova. He is known for having organised and participated in the violent protests of Oct 2022, alongside Ilan Shor. He has used his connections within the General Police Inspectorate to recruit former police officers and create a paramilitary group to "protect" the violent demonstrators against the Government of the Republic of Moldova. In this context, he has founded a so-called "shadow government" with the aim of replacing the democratically elected government of the Republic of Moldova. b) By directing and planning violent demonstrations, Gheorghe Cavcaliuc is responsible for actions which undermine and threaten the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Moldova, and the democracy, the rule of law, stability and security in the Republic of Moldova. Other information: a) Function: politician, president of the political party "Building Europe at Home Party" b) former Deputy Head of the General Police Inspectorate Modifications: Listed on 28 Jun 2023, amended on 5 Mar 2024

SSID: 700-62643 Name: Tauber Marina

Sex: W DOB: 1 May 1986 POB: Chisinău, Moldova Nationality: Moldova

Justification: a) Marina Tauber is the deputy leader of the SOR Party and a Member of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova. She was charged in the "Bank Fraud" case and she is subject to investigation in two criminal cases in the Republic of Moldova related to the illegal financing from an organised criminal group and the falsification of the report on the financial management of the ŞOR Party. b) On 20 Dec 2022, prosecutors conducted several searches in connection with the case of the illegal financing of Ilan Shor's party. The authorities of the Republic of Moldova then identified money which, according to the prosecutors, was to be used for organising anti-government protests and remunerating the participants in those demonstrations. c) In 2023, knives, flammable substances and daggers were seized following protests organised by the People's Movement, which the SOR Party is part of. Violence and altercations between the police and demonstrators were registered, where 54 people were detained, including minors. According to the General Police Inspectorate of the Republic of Moldova, Marina Tauber was among the main organisers of the protests of the SOR Party and the People's Movement. d) According to the Anticorruption Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Moldova, she used special communication instruments in order to give direct instructions to the presidents and vicepresidents of the territorial offices of the SOR Party in the country on how to bring people to the demonstrations, organise transport and how to receive the money for the remuneration of the people. e) By directing and planning violent demonstrations and through her serious financial misconduct concerning public funds and the unauthorised export of capital, Marina Tauber is responsible for actions which undermine and threaten the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Moldova, and the democracy, the rule of law, stability and security in the Republic of Moldova. Other information: Function: Member of the Parliament of the Republic of Moldova (since Mar 2019) **Modifications:** Listed on 28 Jun 2023, amended on 5 Mar 2024

**SSID:** 700-62656 **Name:** Chaika Igor Yuryevich **Spelling variant:** ЧАЙКА Игорь Юрьевич (Russian)

**Sex:** M **DOB:** 13 Dec 1988 **POB:** a) Irkutsk, Russian Federation (possibly) b) Moscow, Russian Federation (possibly) **Good quality a.k.a.:** Chayka Igor Yuryevich **Nationality:** Russian Federation

**Justification:** a) Igor Chaika is a Russian businessman responsible for funnelling money in support of the Russian Federal Security Service (FSB) projects aimed at destabilising the Republic of Moldova. He played the role of Russian "purse", channelling money to FSB assets in the Republic of Moldova in order to bring the country under the control of the Kremlin. b) Through his serious financial misconduct concerning public funds, Igor Chaika is responsible for supporting actions which undermine and threaten the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Moldova, and the democracy, the rule of law, stability and security in the Republic of Moldova. **Other information:** Function: Russian businessman **Modifications:** Listed on 28 Jun 2023, amended on 5 Mar 2024

**SSID:** 700-62667 **Name:** Plahotniuc Vladimir Gheorghe **Spelling variant:** a) ПЛАХОТНЮК Владимир Георгиевич (Russian) b) ПЛАХОТНЮК Влад Георгиевич (Russian)

Sex: M DOB: a) 1 Jan 1966 (approximately) b) 25 Dec 1965 (approximately) POB: Pitușca, Călărași, Moldova Good quality a.k.a.: a) Ulinici Vladimir b) Plakhotnyuk Vladimir c) Novak Vladislav Vladimir Nationality: a) Moldova b) Romania c) Russian Federation Identification document: Passport No. AB 0671328; AA 1203658, Moldova

Justification: a) Vladimir Plahotniuc is subject to numerous criminal proceedings in the Republic of Moldova related to crimes in connection with the embezzlement of State funds of the Republic of Moldova and their illegal transfer outside the Republic of Moldova. He was accused in the Republic of Moldova in the "Bank Fraud" case, the economic effects of which are still affecting the country. He is also being investigated for bribing the former president of the Republic of Moldova with a bag of cash in exchange for political favours. b) Through his serious financial misconduct concerning public funds and the unauthorised export of capital, Vladimir Plahotniuc is responsible for actions and implementing policies which undermine and threaten the democracy, the rule of law, stability or security in the Republic of Moldova through undermining the democratic political process in the Republic of Moldova and serious financial misconduct concerning public funds. Other information: Function: businessman, politician Modifications: Listed on 28 Jun 2023, amended on 28 Jun 2023, 5 Mar 2024

## **Entities**

**SSID:** 700-71333 **Name:** Public Association – Association of People with Epaulettes "Scutul Poporului" **Spelling variant:** Asociația Obștească – Asociația Oamenilor cu Epoleți "Scutul Poporului" (Romanian / Moldavian / Moldovan)

Address: 74, Mitropolit Varlam street, Chişinău, Moldova

**Justification: a)** "Scutul Poporului" is a paramilitary organisation in the Republic of Moldova, including former military, police and law-enforcement personnel. It is led by Chiril Guzun and it attends protests, particularly to destabilise the Republic of Moldova, by using violence. During the attempts of February 2023 to destabilise the national government, groups of protesters affiliated to the subsequently-banned "Partidul ŞOR" and to the Building Europe at Home Party, "Partidul Acasă Construim Europa" (PACE) were supported and surrounded by

members of the "Scutul Poporului", who were involved in riots and violent demonstrations. **b)** By engaging in and supporting violent demonstrations, "Scutul Poporului" is responsible for actions which undermine and threaten the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Moldova, and democracy, the rule of law, stability and security in the Republic of Moldova. Furthermore, "Scutul Poporului" is associated with listed person Chiril Guzun. **Other information: a)** Type of entity: NGO – paramilitary group **b)** Registration number: 1022620011296 **c)** Website: https://m.facebook.com/people/Scutul-Poporului/100088028496232/ **Modifications:** Listed on 5 Mar 2024