DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Electronically–Available Information Sources on Economic Sanctions Programs

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Treasury Department is issuing a list of sources of computer– accessible information for the public's use in keeping informed of and complying with the economic sanctions programs administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

This document is itself available as an electronic file on *The Federal Bulletin Board* the day of publication in the **Federal Register** for downloading in WordPerfect 5.1, ASCII, and Postscript formats. The document is also accessible for downloading in ASCII format without charge from Treasury's Electronic Library ("TEL") in the "Business, Trade and Labor Mall" of the FedWorld bulletin board. Select self– extracting file "T11FR00.EXE" in TEL. The means of access to these information services are described in this notice.

Background

This notice describes various public and private information sources accessible by computer that provide information concerning the economic sanctions programs administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"). Information available for reading or downloading includes notices of blockings, statutory and Executive order authorities, regulations, regulatory amendments, and lists of blocked entities, specially designated nationals, and specially designated terrorists. OFAC encourages the public to utilize these sources to remain current with developments in economic sanctions programs for informational and compliance purposes.

OFAC PUBLIC INFORMATION ACCESSIBLE BY COMPUTER

Sources Available to the General Public: U.S. Treasury Department's Electronic Library ("TEL"):

The Treasury Department maintains a free electronic library called "TEL" on the FedWorld bulletin board, a service of the National Technical Information Service. TEL can be reached 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, using standard communications software and a modem, either directly, by dialing 703/321-3339, or over the Internet using one of the following protocols: Telnet = fedworld.gov (192.239.93.3); FTP Site = ftp.fedworld.gov (192.239.92.205); World Wide Web (Home Page) = http:// /www.fedworld.gov. Once access to FedWorld has been gained, select option ''[C],'' the ''Business, Trade, and Labor Mall;" then "[E]," "Treasury's Electronic Library." OFAC files are available for downloading in cameraready "*.PDF" format as well as in a self-extracting ASCII "*.EXE" format. Each bears the prefix "T11." OFAC's camera-ready brochure on Cuba, for example, is called "T11CUBA.PDF." OFAC's self-extracting ASCII file containing all of OFAC's brochures as well as the latest listing of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons (the "SDN list") in DOS-format is called "T11FAC00.EXE." A major advantage of TEL, besides Internet access, is that there is no charge to any user to download files. Adobe Acrobat ReadersTM are available free to view and print the "*.PDF" files. Those needing a free Acrobat ReaderTM may download the file from the Internal Revenue Service "utilities" library by typing the command "/go IRISGR" at FedWorld's main prompt. FedWorld's help desk number is 703/487-4608; the business office number is 703/487-4648.

U.S. Commerce Department's Economic Bulletin Board ("EBB")

The U.S. Department of Commerce operates an electronic bulletin board called the "EBB." The EBB can be reached 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, using standard communications software and a modem, either directly, by dialing 202/482-3870 (for 2400 bps connections) or 202/482-2584 or 202/ 482–2167 (for 9600 bps connections), or over the Internet using the Telnet protocol: Telnet = ebb.stat-usa.gov. A free, limited-access service is available to those who are unfamiliar with the Commerce Board. Otherwise, access is by subscription at a nominal charge. The EBB is used extensively by U.S. exporters seeking information on trade leads. All OFAC publications in ASCII

format, including the very latest version of the alphabetized SDN listings, are available for downloading from "File Area #17" on the Board. Commerce Department Export Denial Order information is also available in the same general file area. OFAC sheets can be individually downloaded by the public or all OFAC informational material can be transferred as a compressed selfextracting DOS archive file called "FACDATA.EXE." Once an individual accesses the Board, all that needs to be done to locate OFAC material is to choose "F" from the main menu to access a FILES subsystem, then choose "L" for LIST, and type "17" for OFAC. The EBB's Help Line is 202/482–1986 (Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. through 4:30 p.m. Eastern Time).

U.S. Commerce's National Trade Data Bank ("NTDB")

The U.S. Department of Commerce operates a CD–Rom service providing a massive amount of international trade information on a monthly basis to small and medium sized companies. There is a nominal charge for a subscription. The CD–Rom service is also available free of charge at Commerce offices nationwide as well as nearly 1,000 Federal depository libraries. OFAC data is in ASCII format and fully searchable. For information, call 202/482–1986.

U.S. Commerce's STAT-USA/FAX

The U.S. Department of Commerce operates an automated fax-on-demand service that includes OFAC data. Users can call 202/482-0005 from a fax machine's handset 24 hours a day. 7 days a week. For a nominal subscription charge, subscribers are entitled to 6 files per day without size restrictions. OFAC is posting in print ("camera ready") copy the latest listing of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons, cumulative Changes to the Listing of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons; and OFAC's brochure entitled Foreign Assets Control Regulations for Exporters and Importers.

World Wide Web ("WWW")

All of OFAC's program brochures, as well as SDN list information, is available in downloadable camera– ready Adobe AcrobatTM "*.PDF" format to subscribers to the U.S. Commerce Department's World Wide Web Server (STAT–USA/Internet) with access at // www.stat–use.gov. For information call 202/482–1986.

OFAC is in the final stages of developing a new service to provide direct Internet access to OFAC's information over a Treasury World Wide Web Server and plans to coordinate update notices with a