STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

2021 No. 1218

FINANCIAL SERVICES

The Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (Amendment) (No. 3) (High-Risk Countries) Regulations 2021

Approved by both Houses of Parliament

Made	at 11.00 a.m. on 1st November 2021
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Laid before Parliament	November 2021
Coming into force	2nd November 2021

The Treasury, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 49 of and paragraphs 4 and 23 of Schedule 2 to the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018(1), make the following Regulations.

Citation and commencement

1.—(1) These Regulations may be cited as the Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (Amendment) (No. 3) (High-Risk Countries) Regulations 2021.

(2) These Regulations come into force on 2nd November 2021.

Amendment of the Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing and Transfer of Funds (Information on the Payer) Regulations 2017

2.—(1) The Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing and Transfer of Funds (Information on the Payer) Regulations 2017(**2**) are amended as follows.

(2) For Schedule 3ZA (high-risk third countries) substitute—

"SCHEDULE 3ZA

Regulation 33(3)

High-Risk Third Countries

1. Albania

2. Barbados

^{(1) 2018} c. 13. In section 49 the definition of "terrorist financing" was amended by paragraph 9 of Part 2 of Schedule 3 to the 2018 Act.

⁽²⁾ S.I. 2017/692, amended by S.I. 2019/1511, 2019/253, 2020/991, 2021/392 and 2021/827. There are other amending instruments but none is relevant.

- 3. Burkina Faso
- 4. Cambodia
- 5. Cayman Islands
- 6. Democratic People's Republic of Korea
- 7. Haiti
- 8. Iran
- 9. Jamaica
- 10. Jordan
- 11. Mali
- 12. Malta
- 13. Morocco
- 14. Myanmar
- 15. Nicaragua
- 16. Pakistan
- 17. Panama
- 18. Philippines
- 19. Senegal
- 20. South Sudan
- 21. Syria
- 22. Turkey
- 23. Uganda
- 24. Yemen
- 25. Zimbabwe".

Rebecca Harris James Morris Two of the Lords Commissioners of Her Majesty's Treasury

At 11.00 a.m. on 1st November 2021

EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Regulations)

These Regulations amend the Money Laundering, Terrorist Financing and Transfer of Funds (Information on the Payer) Regulations 2017 (S.I. 2017/692) ("the MLRs") by substituting the list of high-risk third countries in Schedule 3ZA for a new list. Schedule 3ZA had originally been inserted into the MLRs by the Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (Amendment) (High-Risk Countries) Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/392) and was subsequently amended by the Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing (Amendment) (No.2) (High-Risk Countries) Regulations 2021 (S.I. 2021/827).

On the new list, Botswana and Mauritius are no longer classed as high-risk countries for the purposes of enhanced customer due diligence requirements in regulation 33(3).

Jordan, Mali and Turkey are now classed as high-risk countries for the purposes of enhanced customer due diligence requirements in regulation 33(3).

An impact assessment has not been produced for this instrument as no, or no significant, impact on the private, voluntary or public sector is foreseen.