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THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 of 18 May 2006 concerning restrictive measures in respect of Belarus[(1)], and in particular Article 8a(1) thereof,

Having regard to the proposal from the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

(1) On 18 May 2006, the Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 concerning restrictive measures in respect of Belarus.

(2) On 9 August 2020, Belarus conducted presidential elections, which were found to be inconsistent with international standards and marred by repression of independent candidates and a brutal crackdown on peaceful protesters in the wake of the elections. On 11 August 2020, the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy issued a declaration on behalf of the Union, assessing that the elections were neither free nor fair. It was also stated that measures against those responsible for violence, unjustified arrests and falsification of election results could be taken.

(3) In view of the gravity of the situation in Belarus, 40 persons should be included in the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures set out in Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 765/2006.

(4) Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 765/2006 is hereby amended as set out in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Changes to legislation: *There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2020/1387. (See end of Document for details)*

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 2 October 2020.

For the Council

The President

M. ROTH

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ANNEX

In Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 765/2006, the following persons are added:

	Names of Belarusian spelling	**Transcription of Russian spelling**	**Names (Belarusian spelling)**	**Names (Russian spelling)**	**Identifying Information**	**Reasons for listing**
‘5.	Yuri Khadzimuratavich KARAEU Yuri Khadzimuratovich KARAEV	Юрый Хаджымуратавіч КАРАЕЎ	Юрий Хаджимуратович КАРАЕВ		Minister of Internal Affairs, Major-General of Militia (police force) DOB: 21.6.1966 POB: Ordzhonikidze, former USSR (now Vladikavkaz, Russian Federation) Gender: male	In his leadership position as Minister of Internal Affairs (MoIA), he is responsible for the repression and intimidation campaign led by MoIA forces in the wake of the 2020 presidential election, in particular with arbitrary arrests and ill#treatment, including torture, of peaceful demonstrators as well as intimidation and violence against journalists.
6.	Genadz Arkadzievich KAZAKEVICH Gennadi Arkadievich KAZAKEVICH	Генадзь Аркадзьевіч КАЗАКЕВІЧ	Геннадий Аркадьевич КАЗАКЕВИЧ		First Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs – Chief of the Criminal Militia, Colonel	In his leadership position as First Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs (MoIA), he is responsible

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				of Militia (police force) DOB: 14.2.1975 POB: Minsk, former USSR (now Belarus) Gender: male	for the repression and intimidation campaign led by MoIA forces in the wake of the 2020 presidential election, in particular with arbitrary arrests and ill#treatment, including torture, of peaceful demonstrators as well as intimidation and violence against journalists.
7.	Aliaksandr Piatrovich BARSUKOU Aleksandr Petrovich BARSUKOV	Аляксандр Пятровіч БАРСУКОЎ	Александр Петрович БАРСУКОВ	Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Major-General of Militia (police force) DOB: 29.4.1965 POB: Vetkovski, former USSR (now Belarus) Gender: male	In his leadership position as Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs (MoIA), he is responsible for the repression and intimidation campaign led by MoIA forces in the wake of the 2020 presidential election, in particular with arbitrary arrests and ill-treatment, including torture, of peaceful

					demonstrators as well as intimidation and violence against journalists.
8.	Siarhei Mikalaevich KHAMENKA Sergei Nikolaevich KHOMENKO	Сяргей Мікалаевіч ХАМЕНКА	Сергей Николаевич ХОМЕНКО	Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Major-General of Militia (police force) DOB: 21.9.1966 POB: Yasinovataya, former USSR (now Ukraine) Gender: male	In his leadership position as Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs (MoIA), he is responsible for the repression and intimidation campaign led by MoIA forces in the wake of the 2020 presidential election, in particular with arbitrary arrests and ill-treatment, including torture, of peaceful demonstrators as well as intimidation and violence against journalists.
9.	Yuri Genadzevich NAZARANKA Yuri Gennadievich NAZARENKO	Юрый Генадзевіч НАЗАРАНКА	Юрий Геннадьевич НАЗАРЕНКО	Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Commander of the Internal Troops DOB: 17.4.1976	In his leadership position as Deputy Minister of the Ministry of Internal Affairs (MoIA) and Commander of the MoIA Internal