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implementing Article 9 of Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against persons acting in violation of the arms embargo with regard to the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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 1183/2005 of 18 July 2005 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against persons acting in violation of the arms embargo with regard to the Democratic Republic of Congo[(1)], and in particular Article 9,

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

Whereas:

(1) On 18 July 2005, the Council adopted Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005.

(2) On 1 February 2018, the United Nations Security Council Committee, established pursuant to United Nations Security Council Resolution 1533 (2004), added four persons to the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures. Those persons should therefore be added to Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005. Since two of those persons were already designated under Annex Ia to that Regulation, they should be removed from Annex Ia to that Regulation to be now designated under Annex I to that Regulation.

(3) Annexes I and Ia to Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005 should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005 is hereby amended as set out in Annex I to this Regulation.

Article 2

Annex Ia to Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005 is hereby amended as set out in Annex II to this Regulation.

***Changes to legislation:** There are currently no known outstanding effects for the Council Implementing Regulation (EU) 2018/197. (See end of Document for details)*

Article 3

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

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

Done at Brussels, 9 February 2018.

For the Council

The President

E. ZAHARIEVA

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ANNEX I

The persons listed below shall be added to the list set out in Part (a) of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1183/2005:

32. Muhindo Akili Mundos (*alias*: (a) Charles Muhindo Akili Mundos; (b) Akili Muhindo; (c) Muhindo Mundos)

Designation: (a) DRC Armed Forces (FARDC) General, Commander of the 31st Brigade; (b) FARDC Brigadier General

Date of birth: 10 November 1972

Place of birth: Democratic Republic of the Congo

Nationality: Democratic Republic of the Congo

Date of UN designation: 1 February 2018

Other information: Muhindo Akili Mundos is an FARDC General, Commander of the 31st Brigade. He was appointed commander of the FARDC's Operational Sector in the areas of Beni and Lubero, including Operation Sukola I against the Allied Democratic Forces (ADF) in September 2014. He remained in that position until June 2015. He is also a threat to the peace, stability and security of the DRC under UNSCR 2293 paragraph 7(e).

Additional information from the narrative summary of reasons for listing provided by the Sanctions Committee:

Reason for listing:

Muhindo Akili Mundos was listed on 1 February 2018 pursuant to criteria set out in resolution paragraph 7(e) of resolution 2293 (2016) as reaffirmed in resolution 2360 (2017).

Additional Information:

Muhindo Akili Mundos was the Congolese army commander responsible for military operations against the ADF during the “Sukola I” operation from August 2014 to June 2015. The FARDC unit under Mundos' command failed to intervene to prevent human rights abuses by the ADF, including attacks targeting civilians. Mundos recruited and equipped former fighters from local armed groups to participate in extra-judicial killings and massacres by the ADF.

While he was commander of the FARDC's Sukola I operation, Mundos also commanded and provided support to a faction of an ADF sub-group known as the ADF-Mwalika. Under Mundos' command, the ADF-Mwalika committed attacks against civilians. FARDC fighters under Mundos' command provided additional support to the ADF-Mwalika during these operations.

33. Guidon Shimiray Mwissa

Date of birth: 13 March 1980

Place of birth: Kigoma, Walikale, Democratic Republic of the Congo

Date of UN designation: 1 February 2018

Other information: Graduated secondary school humanités sociales in Mpofi; joined the armed group commanded by She Kasikila at the age of 16; integrated the FARDC with Kasikila, becoming his battalion S3; injured in 2007, thereafter joining Mai Mai Simba under