Targeted Financial Sanctions (TFS) on Terrorist Financing (TF) and Proliferation Financing (PF) of Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)

## At the end of this presentation, you will be able to;

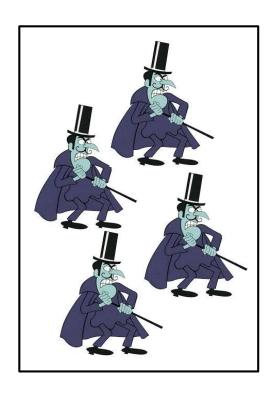
- Explain what is United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR)
- Explain what are Targeted Financial Sanctions (TFS)
- Explain what is Terrorist Financing (TF)
- Explain what is Proliferation Financing of Weapons of Mass Destruction (PF-WMD)
- List 5 UNSCRs which are relevant to you as Financial Institutions
- List 4 regulations in Sri Lanka that make up the legal framework for countering TF and PF-WMD
- Identify the requirements of your institutions for complying with those regulations
- Identify the consequence of non-compliance with those regulations
- Identify changes needed for future reporting

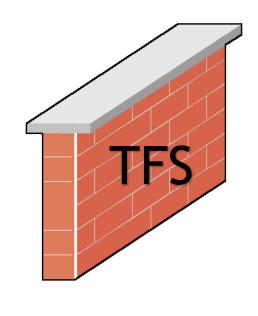
### What is United Nations Security Council Resolution (UNSCR)?

- UN Security Council Global Policeman
- Binding Obligatory Orders
- ► Famous for imposing sanction measures on countries (and individuals)
- Financial sanction measures are relevant to Financial Institutions

### What are Targeted Financial Sanctions (TFS)?

- List of "bad actors" who threaten the world peace
- The lists are updated by the Security Council regularly
- ▶ UN member countries can't do financial dealings with such designated individuals and entities.







### What is Terrorist Financing?

- Providing funds for terrorist activities
- Legitimate source as well as criminal sources
- Terrorists use techniques to evade authorities' attention
- Tend to be in small amounts than is the case with money laundering
- Hard to detect the legitimate funds
- Funds are moved through the formal banking system, as well as other methods

# What is Proliferation Financing of Weapons of Mass Destruction (PF-WMD)?

- Providing funds for the rapid construction of WMD (Chemical/Biological/Radio Active/Nuclear - CBRN)
- State actors (governments) and non-state actors (individuals and organizations)
- Closely associated with science and technological research projects
- Separate UNSCRs for state and non-state actors
- Currently, North Korea (DPRK) and Iran have been designated



### UN Security Council's Approach to Counter PF-WMD

► Global approach under UNSCR 1540 (2004) and its successor resolutions

Country-specific approach under UNSCR 1718 (2006) and UNSCR 2231 (2015) and their (future) successor resolutions

#### UNSCRs which are Relevant to You as FIs

- Relevant because they are associated with TFS regimes
- ► UNSCR 1267 and related resolutions
  - Al-Qaida, Taliban and ISIL related individuals and entities
- ► UNSCR 1373 and related resolutions
  - Local terrorist related individuals and entities (LTTE)
- UNSCR 1718 and related resolutions
  - ► North Korea related individuals and entities State Actors
- UNSCR 2231 and related resolutions
  - Iran related individuals and entities State Actors

- UNSCR 1540 and related resolutions
  - ► Individuals and organizations (no list!) Non-state Actors

#### Regulations for Countering the TF and PF-WMD

- United Nations Regulation No. 1 of 2012 (for UNSCR 1373)
- United Nations Regulations No. 2 of 2012 (for UNSCR 1267)
- United Nations (Sanctions in relation to Democratic People's Republic of Korea) Regulations of 2017 (for UNSCR 1718)
- United Nations (Sanctions in relation to Iran) Regulations No. 1 of 2018
- United Nations (Sanctions relating to Proliferation of Nuclear, Chemical or Biological Weapons) Regulations of 2017 (for UNSCR 1540)

### United Nations Regulation No. 1 of 2012

- ▶ To freeze the funds and other assets of local terrorists.
- Secretary of the Defense is the Competent Authority (CA)
- FIU facilitates the implementation process by circulating the updates to REs
- Currently, a list of 100 individuals and 8 entities (latest update is Gazette Extraordinary No. 2076/18 dated 20/06/2018)
- Freezing order by CA (Gazette Extraordinary No. 1863/25 dated 22/05/2014) - Regulation 5

#### United Nations Regulation No. 1 of 2012 (Contd.)

- All institutions shall immediately freeze funds and other assets of designated individuals and entities
- Cannot tip off customers
- Funds credited will also be frozen
- CA may grant a special authorization to permit the use of frozen funds and assets for special conditions - regulation 6
- Inform after freezing regulation 9
- Imprisonment and/or fine for non-compliance regulation 11

### United Nations Regulation No. 2 of 2012

- To freeze the funds and other assets of individuals and entities of Al-Qaida/Taliban/ISIL
- Secretary of the Defense is the Competent Authority (CA), and the FIU is facilitating the implementation process
- CA has gazetted the first list of designated individuals and entities regulation 4
- ► FIU facilitates the implementation process by circulating the updates to REs
- All institutions shall immediately freeze funds and other assets of designated individuals and entities - regulation 5
- Funds credited will also be frozen

#### United Nations Regulation No. 2 of 2012 (Contd.)

- CA can grant a special authorization to permit the use of frozen funds and assets regulation 9
- Inform the CA and the FIU after freezing regulation 12
- Inform the customer after freezing and informing FIU & CA regulation 13
- Can't tip off customer regulation 14
- ▶ Imprisonment and/or fine for non-compliance regulation 15

### United Nations (Sanctions in relation to Democratic People's Republic of Korea) Regulations of 2017

- To freeze the funds and other assets of North Korean individuals and entities (including the government)
- Secretary of the Defense is the Competent Authority (CA), and the FIU is facilitating the implementation process
- CA has gazetted the first list of designated individuals, entities and items regulations 4 & 19
- Institutions cannot facilitate any service for the usage of designated items by North Korean persons - regulations 4 & 7
- Institutions cannot facilitate any financial service for the usage of vessels by North Korean persons - regulations 6 & 12

### United Nations (Sanctions in relation to Democratic People's Republic of Korea) Regulations of 2017 (Contd.)

- All institutions shall immediately freeze funds and other assets of designated individuals and entities. Funds to a frozen account will stay frozen regulations 8, 9, 19, 20, 21
- Institutions cannot facilitate trade with North Korean persons regulation 11
- Institutions cannot maintain financial relationships with North Korean FIs regulation 14
- Only one account for North Korean diplomatic missions or consular post regulation 18
- Inform the CA and the FIU after freezing regulation 28

### United Nations (Sanctions in relation to Democratic People's Republic of Korea) Regulations of 2017 (Contd.)

- ▶ Inform the customer after freezing and informing FIU & CA regulation 29
- Don't tip off the customer regulation 30
- CA may grant a special authorization to permit the use of frozen funds and assets - regulation 31
- Imprisonment and/or fine for non-compliance regulation 34

### United Nations (Sanctions in relation to Iran) Regulations No. 1 of 2018.

- Immediately freeze funds and other assets of designated individuals and entities - regulation 9
- Less stricter than DPRK regulations (only focused on implementing the TFS provisions)
- Secretary of the Defense is the Competent Authority (CA), and the FIU is facilitating the implementation process
- Funds to a frozen account will stay frozen regulations 10
- Mistaken identities can apply to CA regulation 13
- Inform the CA and the FIU after freezing regulation 14
- CA may grant a special authorization to permit the use of frozen funds and assets - regulation 15

### United Nations (Sanctions relating to Proliferation of Nuclear, Chemical or Biological Weapons) Regulations of 2017 (for UNSCR 1540)

- UNSCR 1540 is not a TFS regime UNSCR, hence there is no designated list
- Prevention of proliferation financing by non-state actors
- Import/export/re-export control of items which have dual use (civil/military and proliferation)
- Be vigilant when dealing with dual use items
- Regulations to effectively implement the Strategic Trade Control (STC) mechanisms will be issued in the future.

#### Requirements from Financial Institutions

- Mechanism to screen customers at the time of on-boarding
- Mechanism to screen the customer database when the lists are updated
- Be vigilant about the transactions for high risk customers
- Increase awareness of the staff about the screening requirements

### Enhanced Scrutiny of High-Risk Customers and Transactions

- Who are high risk customers?
  - Politically Exposed Persons (PEPs) from DPRK or Iran
  - Who may act on behalf of or at the direction of DPRK and Iran
  - Who provide trade services:
    - > to Iran, DPRK, or countries neighboring them
    - > To countries that have weak AML/CFT/PF controls
    - > For dual use items





### Additional information on high risk customers and transactions

- purpose of transaction or payment
- details about the nature, end use or end user of the item
- parties to the transaction
- sources of funds
- beneficial ownership of the counterparty
- export control information (copies of export-control or other licenses issued by the national export control authorities, and end-user certification)
- information in accordance with wire transfers

# Routine Screening **New Sanction List** Sanction List (3)**Customer DB**

#### Elements that may Indicate Proliferation Financing

- Person or entity in Iran, DPRK or its neighboring countries
- Person or entity in foreign country concerning of diversion of funds
- Altering transaction originator information, specially in EFTs
- Person or entity is "listed" or has a history of export control contraventions
- Customer activity doesn't match profile
- A freight forwarding firm is listed as the product's final destination
- Order from one country, end user in another country
- Shipment incompatible with the technical level of the shipped country
- Shell companies
- Circuitous route of shipment and/or circuitous route of financial transaction
- Shipment route through country with weak import/export control laws
- shipments inconsistent with normal geographic trade patterns

#### Elements that may Indicate Proliferation Financing

- Declared value of shipment seems under-valued vis-à-vis the shipping cost
- Inconsistencies in information contained in trade documents and financial flows
- wire transfer activity shows unusual patterns
- Customer vague/incomplete/resistant on information it provides
- Payment instruction to parties not identified on the original trade documents
- Involvement of items controlled under WMD export control regimes
- Person dealing with complex equipment for which he/she lacks technical background
- Use of cash or precious metals (e.g. gold) in transactions for industrial items
- Involvement of a small trading, brokering or intermediary company
- Transactions between companies on the basis of "ledger" arrangements that obviate the need for international financial transactions
- Customers or counterparties to transactions are linked
- Involvement of a university in a country of proliferation concern

### Elements that may Indicate Proliferation Financing

- Vague description of goods
- Evidence that documents or other representations (e.g. relating to shipping, customs, or payment) are fake or fraudulent
- Use of personal account to purchase industrial items

### Consequences of Non-compliance

- Imprisonment and/or fines
- Reputational damage
- Suspension of business





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