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Iranian Transactions and Sanctions Regulations  
31 C.F.R. Part 560

GENERAL LICENSE H

**Authorizing Certain Transactions Relating to  
Foreign Entities Owned or Controlled by a United States Person**

(a) Except as provided in paragraph (c), an entity owned or controlled by a United States person and established or maintained outside the United States (a “U.S.-owned or -controlled foreign entity”) is authorized to engage in transactions, directly or indirectly, with the Government of Iran or any person subject to the jurisdiction of the Government of Iran that would otherwise be prohibited by 31 C.F.R. § 560.215.

**Note 1 to paragraph (a):** This general license does not authorize the reexportation from a third country of any goods, technology, or services prohibited by 31 C.F.R. § 560.205.

**Note 2 to paragraph (a):** For purposes of this general license, an entity is “owned or controlled” by a United States person if the United States person: (1) holds a 50 percent or greater equity interest by vote or value in the entity; (2) holds a majority of seats on the board of directors of the entity; or (3) otherwise controls the actions, policies, or personnel decisions of the entity. See 31 C.F.R. § 560.314 for a definition of the term United States person, which includes foreign branches of an entity organized under the laws of the United States or any jurisdiction within the United States.

(b) A United States person is authorized to engage in the following activities that would otherwise be prohibited by 31 C.F.R. part 560:

(1) activities related to the establishment or alteration of operating policies and procedures of a United States entity or a U.S.-owned or -controlled foreign entity, to the extent necessary to allow a U.S.-owned or -controlled foreign entity to engage in transactions authorized in paragraph (a); and

(2) activities to make available to those foreign entities that the U.S. person owns or controls any automated and globally integrated computer, accounting, email, telecommunications, or other business support system, platform, database, application, or server necessary to store, collect, transmit, generate, or otherwise process documents or information related to transactions authorized in paragraph (a).

**Note 1 to paragraph (b)(2):** For purposes of this subsection, the term “automated” refers to a computer, accounting, email, telecommunications, or other business support system, platform, database, application, or server that operates passively and without human intervention to facilitate the flow of data between and among the United States person and its owned or controlled foreign entities.

**Note 2 to paragraph (b)(2):** For purposes of this subsection, the term “globally integrated” refers to a computer, accounting, email, telecommunications, or other business support system, platform, database, application, or server that is available to, and in general use by, the United States person’s global organization, including the United States person and its owned or controlled foreign entities.

**Note 3 to paragraph (b)(2):** Paragraph (b)(2) does not authorize the use of any automated computer, accounting, email, telecommunications, or other business support system, platform, database, application, or server in connection with any transfer of funds to, from, or through a United States depository institution or a United States-registered broker or dealer in securities.

**Note to paragraph (b):** See 31 C.F.R. § 560.208 for prohibitions on facilitation by United States persons, which remain in effect, with the exception of activities authorized in paragraph (b).

(c) Paragraph (a) of this general license does not authorize transactions involving:

(1) The exportation, reexportation, sale, or supply, directly or indirectly, from the United States of any goods, technology, or services prohibited by 31 C.F.R. § 560.204, without separate authorization from the Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC);

(2) Any transfer of funds to, from, or through a United States depository institution or a United States-registered broker or dealer in securities;

(3) Any person on OFAC’s list of Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons (SDN List), or any activity that would be prohibited by any part of chapter V of 31 C.F.R. other than part 560 if engaged in by a United States person or in the United States;

(4) Any person identified on the List of Foreign Sanctions Evaders pursuant to Executive Order 13608;

(5) Any activity involving any item (including information) subject to the Export Administration Regulations, 15 C.F.R. parts 730-774 (EAR), that is prohibited by, or otherwise requires a license under, part 744 of the EAR; or participation in any transaction involving a person whose export privileges have been denied pursuant to part 764 or 766 of the EAR, without authorization from the Department of Commerce;


(6) Any military, paramilitary, intelligence, or law enforcement entity of the Government of Iran, or any official, agent, or affiliate thereof;

(7) Any activity that is sanctionable under Executive Order 12938 or 13382 (relating to Iran’s proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their means of delivery, including ballistic missiles); Executive Order 13224 (relating to international terrorism); Executive Order 13572 or 13582 (relating to Syria); Executive Order 13611 (relating to Yemen); or Executive

Order 13553 or 13606, or section 2 or 3 of Executive Order 13628 (relating to Iran's commission of human rights abuses against its citizens); or

(8) Any nuclear activity involving Iran that is subject to the procurement channel established pursuant to paragraph 16 of the United Nations Security Council Resolution 2231 (2015) and Section 6 of Annex IV to the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action of July 14, 2015 and that has not been approved through that procurement channel process.

(d) This general license does not authorize any transaction by a United States person prohibited by any part of chapter V of 31 C.F.R. other than part 560.



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