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SI 2018 NO. 1351

NOTICE is hereby given that the Burma and Somalia (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) Order 2018 SI 2018 No. 1351, was made on 12th December, 2018, was laid before Parliament on 19th December, 2018 and comes into force on 9th January, 2019.

The full text of the Instrument can be viewed via the following link:

http://www.legislation.gov.uk/uksi/2018/1351/pdfs/uksi 20181351 en.pdf

The Explanatory Note of the Burma and Somalia (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) Order 2018 is as follows:

"EXPLANATORY NOTE

(This note is not part of the Order)

This Order amends the Burma (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) Order 2013 (S.I. 2013/1447) and gives effect in specified Overseas Territories to sanctions measures adopted by the European Union in Council Decision (CFSP) 2018/655, which was adopted on 26th April 2018, and Council Regulation (EU) 2018/647, which was also adopted on 26th April 2018.

The sanctions imposed include specific measures in relation to equipment that might be used for internal repression and to prevent the misuse of communication equipment. They also include measures to enable the freezing of assets of persons from the Myanmar Armed Forces (Tatmadaw) and the Border Guard Police designated by the Council of the European Union as responsible for serious human rights violations, obstructing the provision of humanitarian assistance to civilians in need, or obstructing the conduct of independent investigations into alleged human rights violations or abuses, or any natural or legal persons, entities or bodies associated with them.

The Order also makes relevant provision for the Governors of the specified Overseas Territories to license certain activities.

This Order also amends the Somalia (Sanctions) (Overseas Territories) Order 2012 (S.I. 2012/3065) to give effect to a minor textual amendment contained in United Nations Security Council resolution 2385 (2017) adopted on 14th November 2017.".