

The United States plans to designate Iran's Basij Resistance Force, the Bonyad Taavon Basij, and 20 companies and financial institutions tied to the Basij as Specially Designated Global Terrorists (SDGTs) pursuant to Executive Order (E.O.) 13224, on or about October 16, 2018.

The United States will also designate 20 entities tied to the Basij Resistance Force and the Bonyad Taavon Basij: Mehr Eqtesad Bank, Bank Mellat, Parsian Bank, Sina Bank, Bahman Group, Mehr Eqtesad Iranian Investment Company, Tadbirgaran Atiyeh Iranian Investment Company, Negin Sahel Royal Investment Company, Mehr Eqtesad Financial Group, Technotar Engineering Company, Taktar Investment Company, Iran Tractor Manufacturing Company, Iran Zinc Mines Development Company, Calcimin, Qeshm Zinc Smelting and Reduction Company, Bandar Abbas Zinc Production Company, Zanzan Acid Production Company, Parsian Catalyst Chemical Company, Esfahan Mobarakeh Steel Company, and Andisheh Mehvaran Investment Company.

The Basij Force is a volunteer paramilitary organization operating under the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) that helps the Iranian regime maintain internal security, in addition to conducting recruitment in support of the IRGC-Qods Force militias in Syria.

Bonyad Taavon Basij is one umbrella entity through which the Basij manages its commercial activities. The network of companies helps fund the Basij Force's operations and, in some cases, the IRGC itself.

These designations illustrate how deeply involved the Basij and IRGC are in Iran's domestic economy and how many resources Iran is devoting not to its own people but to these pillars of the regime.

As a consequence of this designation, any property or interests in property of these entities that are or come within the possession or control of a U.S. person are blocked or frozen. Additionally, U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with designated entities. Non-U.S. persons, including non-U.S. financial institutions, that knowingly conduct certain significant transactions with these designated entities could also be subject to U.S. secondary sanctions.

We request that your government take similar action under domestic legal authorities, if not already taken, against these entities. Under UN Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001), all states are required to suppress and prevent the financing of terrorist acts and freeze without delay the financial assets of persons who commit, attempt to commit, or participate in or facilitate the commission of terrorist acts.

Please share with us any information concerning actions that you undertake, including the freezing of assets, to enforce sanctions against these entities. In addition, we welcome any information that you can share regarding the activities of these entities in your country or elsewhere.

Begin General Statement of Case and Key Identifying Information

(U) Entity: Basij Resistance Force

- (U) AKA: Baseej
- (U) AKA: Basij
- (U) AKA: Basij-e Melli
- (U) AKA: Mobilization of the Oppressed Organization
- (U) AKA: National Mobilization Organization
- (U) AKA: National Resistance Mobilization
- (U) AKA: Resistance Mobilization Force
- (U) AKA: Basij Resistance Organization

(U) Entity: Bonyad Taavon Basij

- (U) AKA: Basij Cooperative Foundation
- (U) Location: Tehran, Iran

(U) Entity: Mehr Eqtesad Bank

- (U) AKA: Mehr Interest-Free Bank
- (U) Address: 182, Shahid Tohidi St, (4th Golsetan), Pasdaran Ave, Tehran, Iran
- (U) Postal Code: 1666943
- (U) Website: <http://www.mebank.ir>

(U) Entity: Bank Mellat

- (U): Address: Head Office Bldg, 276 Taleghani Ave, Tehran, Iran
- (U): Swift Code: IRTHBMN
- (U): Remark: All Branches Worldwide
- (U): Website: www.bankmellat.ir

(U) Entity: Mehr Eqtesad Iranian Investment Company

- (U) AKA: Mehr Eghtesad Iranian Investment Company
- (U) AKA: Mehr-e Eqtesad-e Iranian Investment Company
- (U) AKA: Mehr Iranian Economy Company
- (U) AKA: Mehr Iranian Economy Investments
- (U) National ID Number: 10101863528
- (U) Address: No. 48, 14th Alley, Ahman Qasir Street, Argentina Square, Tehran, Iran

(U) Entity: Tadbirgaran Atiyeh Iranian Investment Company

- (U) Registration Number: 246077
- (U) National ID Number: 10102867151
- (U) Address: No. 48, 14th Street, Ahmad Ghasir Avenue, Tehran, Iran

(U) Entity: Negin Sahel Royal Investment Company

- (U) AKA: Negin Sahel Royal Co.
- (U) National ID Number: 322430
- (U) Registration Number: 10103589144
- (U) Address: No. 48, 14th Street, Ahman Ghasir Avenue, Argentina Square, Tehran, Iran

(U) Entity: Mehr Eqtesad Financial Group

(U) National ID Number: 10101471388

(U) Location: Tehran, Iran

(U) Entity: Technotar Engineering Company

(U) Registration Number: 13807

(U) National Identification Number: 1086165880

(U) Address: Number 10, Seventh Fath Street, 65 Metri Fath Highway, Tehran, Iran

(U) Entity: Taktar Investment Company

(U) Registration Number: 263015

(U) National ID Number: 10103804463

(U) Address: Number 10, Seventh Fath Highway, 65 Metri Fath Highway, Tehran, Iran

(U) Entity: Iran Tractor Manufacturing Company

(U) AKA: Iran Tractor Manufacturing

(U) Address: Sephabod Gharani Avenue, Km9/5 Karaj Special Road, Corner Of Yazar Zarin Street, Opposite Shahab Khodro, Office Of The Tractor Engineering, Tehran, Iran

(U) Website: www.itm.co.ir

(U) Entity: Iran Zinc Mines Development Company

(U) Address: No. 13, 8th Street, Ghaem Maghame Farahani Ave., Tehran, Iran

(U) Address: No. 45, 4th Street Amir Alame Ghazanfarian Avenue, Etemadiyeh, Zanjan, Iran

(U) Website: www.itm.co.ir

(U) Entity: Calcimin

(U) AKA: Kalsimin

(U) Address: No. 12, St. Bilal Habashi, Khorramshahr Ave., Zanjan, Iran

(U) Postal Code: 4516773541

(U) Address: Second Floor, No. 13, Street gt/ Ghaem Magham Farahari Ave., Tehran, Iran

(U) Postal Code: 1586868513

(U) Website: www.calcimin.com

(U) Entity: Qeshm Zinc Smelting and Reduction Company

(U) AKA: Qeshm Zinc Melting and Reduction Complex

(U) Address: 20 Km Dargahan-to-LotfRoad, Qeshm Island, Hormozgan Province, Iran

(U) Website: www.gzsc.ir

(U) Entity: Bandar Abbas Zinc Production Company

(U) Registration Number: 3249

(U) National ID Number: 1080000606618

(U) Address: No. 15, Zarir Alley, Turkmenistan Street, Motahhari Avenue, Tehran, Iran

(U) Postal Code: 1565613115

(U) Website: www.bzpc.ir

(U) Entity: Zanjan Acid Production Company

(U) AKA: Zanjan Acid Makers and Alvand Rouinkaran

(U) AKA: Zanjan Acid Makers

(U) AKA: Zanjan Acid Sazan

(U) Address: The end of the Tenth Bahrevvari Street, Zinc Industrial Town, 5 km of Bijar Road, Zanjan, Iran

(U) Website: www.acidsazan.ir

(U) Entity: Parsian Catalyst Chemical Company

(U) Registration Number: 6181

(U) Address: Sixth Bahrevvari Street, Zinc Special Town, 5 km of Bijar Road, Zanjan, Iran

(U) Postal Code: 453515357

(U) Website: www.catalistparsian.com

(U) Entity: Esfahan Mobarakeh Steel Company

(U) AKA: Mobarakeh Steel Company

(U) Commercial ID: 411175869887

(U) National ID: 10260289464

(U) Address P.O. Box: 161-84815, Mobarakeh, Esfahan, Iran

(U) Postal Code: 11131-84881

(U) Factory Office: Mobarakeh Steel Company, Mobarakeh, Esfahan, Iran

(U) Esfahan Office Address: Mobarakeh Steel Company, Sa'adat Abad St., Azadi SQ., Esfahan, Iran

(U) Tehran Office Address: Mobarakeh Steel Company, No. 2, Gol Azin Alley, Kouhestan St., Ketab SQ., Sa'adat Abad, Tehran, Iran

(U) Website: www.en.msc.ir

(U) Entity: Andisheh Mehvaran Investment Company

(U) Registration Number: 20397

(U) Address: No. 13, 8th Street, Ghaem Magham Farahani Ave., Tehran, Iran

(U) Entity: Parsian Bank

(U) Swift Code: BKPAIRTH

(U) Remark: All Branches Worldwide

(U) Address: No. 4, Zarafshan Street, Shahid Farahzadi Boulevard, Shahrak Ghods, Tehran, Iran

(U) Website: www.parsian-bank.com

(U) Entity: Sina Bank

(U) AKA: Sina Finance & Credit Institute

(U) Address: Between Miremad Street and Mofateh Street, Motahari Avenue, Tehran, Iran

(U) Postal Code: 15888-6457

(U) Website: www.sinabank.ir

(U) Entity: Bahman Group

(U) Address: No. 37, Saba Boulevard, Africa Street, PO Box: 14335-835, Tehran, Iran

(U) Postal Code: 1917773844

(U) Website: www.bahmangroup.com

End Key Identifiers and Statement of Case

