



Myanmar/Burma: EU imposes sixth round of sanctions against 9 individuals and 7 entities

Two years after the military coup staged in Myanmar/Burma on 1st February 2021, the Council adopted on 20 February 2023 restrictive measures against **9 persons and 7 entities** in view of the continuing escalation of violence, grave human rights violations and threats to the peace, security and stability in Myanmar/Burma.

The sanctioned individuals include the **Minister for Energy, prominent businessmen** who have supported the regime's repression with arms and dual use goods, and **high-ranking officers** in the Myanmar armed forces that are closely associated with the regime. Also listed are **politicians and administrators** from the **Yangon Region** involved in the process of death sentences and execution of four democracy activists in July 2022, and in **Kachin State**, where they oversaw air strikes, massacres, raids, arson and the use of human shields committed by the military.

The listed entities include **departments of the Ministry of Defence** and a **state-owned enterprise** under its jurisdiction, as well as **private companies** supplying fuel, arms and funds to the military.

Restrictive measures currently apply to a total of **93 individuals** and **18 entities**. Those designated are subject to an **asset freeze** and a **travel ban**, which prevents them from entering or transiting through EU territory. In addition, EU persons and entities are **prohibited to make funds available** to those listed.



Other EU restrictive measure will remain in place: the **embargo on arms and equipment** and **export restrictions** on equipment for monitoring communications which might be used for internal repression, the **export ban on dual-use goods** for use by the military and border guard police, and the **prohibition of military training and cooperation** with the Tatmadaw.

The restrictive measures come in addition to the **withholding of EU financial assistance** directly going to the government and the **freezing of all EU assistance** that may be seen as legitimising the junta.

Source:

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