

# **Specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities associated with Usama bin Laden, the Al-Qaida network and the Taliban**

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**PURPOSE** : to impose restrictive measures against Usama bin Laden, the Al-Qaida network and the Taliban and to repeal Council Regulation 467/2001/EC on sanctions against Afghanistan. **CONTENT** : as a result of UN Security Council resolutions, the Council decided to impose sanctions in relation to Afghanistan, including a particular ban on flights, a ban on certain exports and freezing of funds, by means of regulation 467/2001/EC. A subsequent Security Council resolution of 16/01/02 stated that the scope of both the financial measures and the prohibition against rendering services related to military activities, should be adjusted and the remainder of these sanctions should be repealed. The adjusted financial measures and prohibition on rendering certain services target bin Laden, the Al-Qaida network and the Taliban. A list of persons, groups and entities will be decided by a UN Sanctions Committee. Since there is no link between the persons concerned and the Government of Afghanistan, it is considered appropriate to adopt a new Regulation imposing such measures and repealing sanctions against Afghanistan. In view of the explicit mention of terrorism in the texts, the new regulation has been aligned with Council Regulation 2580/2001/EC, which provides the framework for specific restrictive measures with a view to combating terrorism, directed against persons that have not been the subject of a specific determination by the Security Council or a UN Sanctions Committee.