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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OBJECTIVE: new measures against the Al-Qaida network, Osama bin Laden and the Taliban. COMMUNITY MEASURE: Council Regulation (EC) No 881/2002 imposing certain specific restrictive measures directed against certain persons and entities associated with Osama bin Laden, the Al-Qaida network and the Taliban, and repealing Council Regulation (EC) No 467/2001. CONTENT: in view of the implementation of resolution 1390 (2002) adopted by the United Nations Security Council on 16 January 2002 setting measures to be taken against Osama bin Laden, members of the Al-Qaida organisation, the Taliban and other persons, groups, undertakings and bodies associated with them by reason of their role in terrorism, the Council adopted a common position (2002/402/CFSP) banning the direct or indirect supply, sale and transfer of arms and related equipment to these persons, groups, undertakings and entities. It also provides for the freezing of funds and other financial or economic assets and for Member States to take measures to prevent such persons from entering or transiting through the territory of the EU. With a view to implementing this common position, the Council adopted this implementing regulation (needed because the Community has competence here), which seeks to introduce a number of specific restrictive measures against these persons and repeals Regulation (EC) No 467/2001. That Regulation prohibited the export of certain goods and services to Afghanistan, strengthened the flight ban and extended the freeze on funds and other financial assets imposed on the Taliban regime in Afghanistan. The annex to the present Regulation gives a list of the legal persons, groups and persons targeted. It should be noted that UN Security Council resolution 1390 (2002) modified the scope of sanctions concerning the freezing of funds, prohibition of travel, and embargo on the supply, sale or transfer of weapons and on advice, assistance and technical training of relevance to military activities, which had been imposed by resolutions 1267 (1999) and 1333 (2000). Resolution 1390 (2002) also imposes a travel ban on Osama bin Laden, members of the Al-Qaida organisation, the Taliban and other associated persons. It also lifts the sanctions in respect of the flight ban and embargo on the sale of acetic anhydride imposed by resolutions 1267 (1999) and 1333 (2000). Resolution 1388 (2002) lifts the restrictions imposed on Ariana Afghan Airlines. ENTRY INTO FORCE: 30 May 2002.