

CLIENT ALERT: OFAC TARGETS MARINE SECTOR IN LATEST RUSSIA DETERMINATION

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On March 31, 2022, the Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC") issued a "Determination Pursuant to Section 1(a)(i) of Executive Order 14024." This Determination permits the Department of Treasury, in conjunction with the Secretary of State, to sanction any person who operates in the electronic, aerospace and marine sectors of the Russian economy. In pertinent part, the Determination provides as follows:

"...I hereby determine that section 1(a)(i) shall apply to the aerospace, electronics, and marine sectors of the Russian Federation economy. Any person that I or my designee, in consultation with the Secretary of State or the Secretary of State's designee, or the Secretary of State or the Secretary of State's designee, in consultation with me or my designee, subsequently determine operates or has operated in such sectors shall be subject to sanctions pursuant to section 1(a)(i)."

While OFAC has not yet issued guidance on the scope of the term "marine sector," we are closely monitoring for further developments. A full copy of the Determination can be found here: https://home.treasury.gov/system/files/126/russia harmful determination 20220331.pdf.

If you have any questions about the contents of this alert or would like further information regarding U.S. sanctions, please feel free to contact the authors, Bill Pallas at pallas@freehill.com, or Mike Dehart at <u>dehart@freehill.com</u>.

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