

DECISIONS

COUNCIL IMPLEMENTING DECISION (CFSP) 2022/2035

of 24 October 2022

implementing Decision 2014/932/CFSP concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Yemen

THE COUNCIL OF THE EUROPEAN UNION,

Having regard to the Treaty on European Union, and in particular Article 31(2) thereof,

Having regard to Council Decision 2014/932/CFSP of 18 December 2014 concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Yemen ⁽¹⁾, and in particular Article 3 thereof,

Having regard to the proposal of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy,

Whereas:

- (1) On 18 December 2014, the Council adopted Decision 2014/932/CFSP.
- (2) On 4 October 2022, the United Nations Security Council Committee established pursuant to United Nations Security Council Resolution 2140 (2014) added one person to the list of persons and entities subject to restrictive measures.
- (3) The Annex to Decision 2014/932/CFSP should therefore be amended accordingly,

HAS ADOPTED THIS DECISION:

Article 1

The Annex to Decision 2014/932/CFSP is hereby amended as set out in the Annex to this Decision.

Article 2

This Decision shall enter into force on the date of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

Done at Luxembourg, 24 October 2022.

For the Council
The President
A. HUBÁČKOVÁ

⁽¹⁾ OJL 365, 19.12.2014, p. 147.

ANNEX

The following entry is added under the sub-heading 'Persons' in the Annex to Decision 2014/932/CFSP (List of persons and entities referred to in Articles 1(1), 2a(1) and Article 2b(1) and (2)):

'12. Ahmad Al-Hamzi

Original script: أحمد الحمزي

Designation: Major General, Commander of the Houthi Air Force and Air Defense Forces **DOB:** 1985 **POB:** Sana'a, Yemen **Good quality a.k.a.:** n/a **Low quality a.k.a.:** a) Ahmad 'Ali al-Hamzi b) Ahmad 'Ali Ahsan al-Hamzi c) Ahmed Ali al-Hamzi d) Muti al-Hamzi **Nationality:** Yemen **Passport no:** n/a **National identification no:** n/a **Address:** Yemen **Listed on:** 4 Oct. 2022 **Other information:** Ahmad al-Hamzi, the commander of the Houthi Air Force and Air Defense Forces, as well as its UAV program, plays a leading role in Houthi military efforts that directly threaten the peace, security, and stability of Yemen. Physical Description: Eye Color: Brown; Hair: Brown. INTERPOL-UN Security Council Special Notice web link: <https://www.interpol.int/en/How-we-work/Notices/View-UN-Notices-Individuals>

Additional information from the narrative summary of reasons for listing provided by the Sanctions Committee:

In accordance with section 5(h) of its Guidelines, the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2140 makes accessible a narrative summary of reasons for the listing for individuals, groups, undertakings, and entities included in its sanctions list.

Date on which the narrative summary became available on the Committee's website: 4 October 2022.

Ahmad Al-Hamzi was listed on 4 October 2022 pursuant to paragraphs 11 and 15 of resolution 2140 (2014), as meeting the designation criteria set out in paragraph 17 of resolution 2140 (2014), including as further elaborated by paragraph 19 of resolution 2216 (2015).

Ahmad Al-Hamzi has engaged in acts and provided support for acts that threaten the peace, security and stability of Yemen, including violations of the targeted arms embargo.

Additional information:

Serving as Commander of the Houthi Air Force and Air Defense Forces, as well as its UAV program, al-Hamzi acquired weapons for use in the Yemen civil war in violation of the targeted arms embargo as laid out in paragraph 14 of Resolution 2216 (2015). Houthi military forces under Major General Al-Hamzi's command carried out targeted UAV strikes. Al-Hamzi is responsible for orchestrating attacks by Houthi forces impacting Yemeni civilians, bordering nations, and commercial vessels in international waters.

Verification of active military role:

— Al-Sharea News (Arabic) – “The Masterminds of the Houthi Attacks”

(<https://alshareaenews.com/2021/03/08/54527/>) [Accessed on 11/Feb/22]

(“Mansour Al-Saadi and Ahmed Al-Hamzi, two mysterious characters in the Houthi air force and navy, played a pivotal role in the war in Yemen, extending its influence to threatening Saudi lands and security of the Red Sea.”).
