

*Periodic Report on the National Emergency  
With Respect to the Situation in or in Relation to the  
Democratic Republic of the Congo*

I hereby report to the Congress on developments and expenditures relating to the national emergency declared in Executive Order 13413 of October 27, 2006, with respect to the situation in or in relation to the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC). Additional steps were taken pursuant to this national emergency in Executive Order 13671 of July 8, 2014. In accordance with section 204(c) of the International Emergency Economic Powers Act (IEEPA), 50 U.S.C. 1703(c), this report covers actions taken in the exercise of national emergency authorities under IEEPA, and implementing regulations set forth at 31 C.F.R. part 547 (Democratic Republic of the Congo Sanctions Regulations). It also covers expenses that are directly attributable to the exercise of those authorities, in accordance with section 401(c) of the National Emergencies Act (NEA), 50 U.S.C. 1641(c).

IEEPA Reporting (from April 3, 2020, through September 3, 2020)

1. The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) closed eight licensing cases (which may take the form of specific licenses, license amendments, "return-without-action" letters, general information letters, interpretive guidance letters, denial letters, closed without determination letters, or withdrawals), and received reports of the blocking of one transaction or account, totaling approximately \$70, pursuant to the authorities listed above.

2. OFAC has continued to discuss this program during its numerous outreach events to the financial, securities, and international trade communities. Details of this program also are available on the Department of the Treasury's website, including in a program brochure and in industry-specific OFAC compliance guidance.

NEA Reporting (from April 28, 2020, through October 27, 2020)

3. The expenses incurred by the federal government that are directly attributable to the exercise of powers and authorities conferred by the declaration of a national emergency with respect to the situation in or in relation to the DRC are reported to be approximately \$120,000,

most of which represent wage and salary costs for federal personnel. Personnel costs were largely centered in the Department of the Treasury and the Department of State. This report relates solely to the national emergency declared with respect to the situation in or in relation to the DRC, and does not address other national emergencies, such as the national emergency declared with respect to persons involved in serious human rights abuses or corruption in Executive Order 13818 of December 20, 2017. Expenses for sanctions related to those persons are captured in a separate report for that national emergency.

I shall continue to report periodically to the Congress on significant developments as required by law.



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