



European Council
The President

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Dear Honourable Members,

Thank you for your letter of 11 November.

The Council listed the Wagner Group and some of its key figures in December 2021 under the regime of restrictive measures against serious human rights violations and abuses (Council Decision (CFSP) 2020/1999 and Council Regulation (EU) 2020/1998). Besides, the Council listed some of the key figures of the Wagner Group under the Ukraine Territorial Integrity Regime, as well as under the regimes of restrictive measures in view of the situation in Syria and in Libya.

As mentioned in your letter, the Wagner Group is not included on the list of persons, groups and entities subject to Articles 2, 3 and 4 of Council Common Position 2001/931/CFSP on the application of specific measures to combat terrorism ('CP 931'). The listing of a person, group or entity under CP 931 has to satisfy the conditions laid down in Article 1(2) to 1(4) of that Common Position, which provides a definition of persons, groups and entities 'involved in terrorist acts' as well as of 'terrorist acts' for this purpose, and which specifies the requirements related to the adoption of a decision by a national competent authority in respect of the persons, groups and entities concerned. The list is reviewed at regular intervals, and at least once every six months.

Yours faithfully,

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