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Syria: EU economic sanctions to apply until 1 June 2014

The Council today adopted restrictive measures against the Syrian regime, in accordance with the political agreement reached at the Foreign Affairs Council of 27 May.

The measures will apply until 1 June 2014 and include a number of export and import bans, e.g. an oil embargo, as well as restrictions on investments, financial activity and the transport sector. In addition, 179 persons associated with the violent repression in Syria are targeted with an asset freeze and a travel ban. 54 entities linked to the repressive policies, including the Central Bank of Syria, have their assets frozen within the EU.

Today's decision was adopted by written procedure. The legal act will be published in the EU Official Journal of 1 June.

For the EU position on Syria, see the most recent [Council conclusions](#).

For a full overview of the EU restrictive measures reinstated today, see [factsheet European Union and Syria](#).

Exports of arms and equipment that may be used for internal repression are not featured in today's decision. For related member state commitments, see the [Council declaration](#) on Syria of 27 May.

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