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U.S. Department of Treasury Designates, Sanctions IRGC

On Oct. 13, the United States Treasury Department announced new sanctions against the Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps (IRGC) for its support of terrorism. The sanctions are pursuant to the global terrorism Executive Order (E.O) 13224 and consistent with the Countering America's Adversaries Through Sanctions Act. The designations are specifically in response to the group's support for the Qods Force (IRGC-QF)—the wing of the IRGC responsible for cultivating and supporting terrorists abroad. "Iran's pursuit of power comes at the cost of regional stability, and Treasury will continue using its authorities to disrupt the IRGC's destructive activities," said Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin. "We are designating the IRGC for providing support to the IRGC-QF, the key Iranian entity enabling Syrian President Bashar al-Assad's relentless campaign of brutal violence against his own people, as well as the lethal activities of Hezbollah, Hamas, and other terrorist groups." IRGC material support for IRGC-QF has included training, personnel, and military equipment, as well as the recruitment and training.