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Permit authorising transactions that make available certain assets to, or for the benefit of, certain designated entities

Permit:	SAN-2022-00061
Date of Issue:	25 May 2022
Period of Validity:	2 years from the date of issue of this Permit, or until this Permit is otherwise cancelled, whichever occurs first.
Authority:	Regulations 18(1)(e) and 18(2)(a), Autonomous Sanctions Regulations 2011 (the Regulations)
Permit Holders:	 a) Australian citizens, residents and bodies corporate, and Commonwealth, State and Territory entities, bound by the <i>Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011</i> and the Regulations, and holding or seeking to obtain intellectual property rights under the laws of the Russian Federation and/or under the Eurasian Patent Convention. b) Australian citizens, residents and bodies corporate, and Commonwealth, State and Territory entities, bound by the <i>Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011</i> and the Regulations, who have been engaged by the Permit Holders listed in paragraph a) to assist them undertake the Permitted Activities.
Permitted Activities	 Transactions, including payments, required to be made to, or for the benefit of, the Designated Entities for the purposes of: filing and prosecuting any application to obtain a patent, trademark, copyright or other form of intellectual property protection, including through examination; receiving a patent, trademark, copyright or other form of intellectual property protection; renewing or maintaining a patent, trademark, copyright or other form of intellectual property protection;

	- filing and prosecuting any opposition or infringement proceedings with respect to a patent, trademark, copyright, or other form of intellectual property protection, or defending any such proceeding
	where provision for the patent, trademark, copyright or other form of intellectual property protection is made under the law of the Russian Federation and/or under the Eurasian Patent Convention.
Designated Entities:	Ministry of Finance of the Russian Federation
	Central Bank of the Russian Federation (aka Bank of Russia; Central Bank; Bank Rossi; Federal State Budgetary Institution; Central Bank of Russia)
	Any other Russian government entity, or financial institution used by a Russian government entity, designated under Item 6A or Item 9 of regulation 6 of the Regulations.
Conditions:	1. This permit may be amended or revoked if the Minister for Foreign Affairs is satisfied that it would be in the national interest to amend or revoke the permit.
	2. The Permit Holders listed in paragraph a) must provide any records, in their possession, of transactions entered into under this Permit on request by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Authorised Senator the Hon Penny Wong Minister for Foreign Affairs

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General Information about this Permit

This permit is an authorisation granted under a sanction law. It is an offence, punishable by up to 10 years' imprisonment or \$555,000, to give information or a document to a Commonwealth entity in connection with the administration of a sanction law that is false or misleading or omits any matter or thing without which the information or document is misleading (section 17 of *the Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011*).

Any authorisation granted under the regulations is taken never to have been granted if information contained in, or information or a document accompanying, the application for the relevant authorisation is false or misleading in a material particular or omits any matter or thing without which the information or document is misleading in a material particular (section 15 of the *Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011*).

It is an offence to contravene a sanction law, punishable for individuals by up to 10 years imprisonment, or a fine the greater of \$555,000 or three times the value of the contravening transaction and for bodies corporate by a fine the greater of \$2.22 million or three times the value of the contravening transaction (section 16 of the *Autonomous Sanctions Act 2011*). For bodies corporate, this is a strict liability offence.