

Treasury Sanctions Swedish Gang and Leader Serving Iranian Regime

Today, Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) sanctioned the **Foxtrot Network**, a transnational criminal organization (TCO) primarily based in Sweden that has trafficked illicit drugs and that carried out attacks on Israelis and Jews in Europe, along with its fugitive leader **Rawa Majid**.

IRAN'S CONTINUED USE OF CRIMINALS AND OTHER PROXIES

The Iranian regime, as part of its efforts to maintain plausible deniability for its external operations, has increasingly leveraged criminal networks as proxies to pursue its aims. It has targeted U.S. nationals and, in furtherance of its stated commitment to achieve the destruction of Israel, has planned terror attacks against Israeli and Jewish targets across Europe. Iranian government officials have also sought to assassinate Iranian dissidents through criminal networks, as evidenced by the operations of Iranian narcotics trafficker Naji Ibrahim Sharifi-Zindashti, who was sanctioned by OFAC on January 29, 2024.

TRANSNATIONAL CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES OF THE FOXTROT NETWORK

The Foxtrot Network is one of the most notorious criminal gangs based in Sweden and has conducted shootings, contract killings, assaults, and other forms of violence. The group is also one of the most prominent drug trafficking organizations in the region with a presence in other European countries. The Foxtrot Network has also trafficked arms and is one of the main contributors to rising violence in Sweden. It routinely uses teenagers to conduct attacks, such as in the Foxtrot Network's killing of a rival gang leader's mother.

As a result of today's action, all property and interests in property of the designated persons described above that are in the United States or in the possession or control of U.S. persons are blocked and must be reported to OFAC. In addition, any entities that are owned, directly or indirectly, individually or in the aggregate, 50 percent or more by one or more blocked persons are also blocked.

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