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Terrorist network

SFBC addresses consolidated list of names suspected to be linked to terrorism to banks and securities' dealers

On November 1th, 2001 the Swiss Federal Banking Commission (SFBC) has addressed a consolidated list of individuals and organizations suspected to be linked to terrorism to all Swiss banks and securities' dealers, as announced in its letter of October 2nd, 2001. This new list with 81 names (including alias-names) has been transmitted by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York (FED Control List) to the supervision authorities worldwide for distribution.

The FED Control List is an effort to work with only one – continually updated – list among the supervisors around the globe. This list is not public.

The SFBC had previously addressed to the banks and securities' dealers the so called Bush-lists 1 and 2 on October 2nd, 2001 and October 11th, 2001, as well as the UN-list published by the State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (Seco) in the appendix of the decree to take measures against Taliban. This three lists are partly containing the same names.

As in the earlier letters, the SFBC is asking the banks and securities' dealers to search for business relationships with individuals and organisations listed. Such business relationships are to be reported to the Money Laundering Office, and funds are to be frozen.