

**Federal Register** on October 29, 2007.<sup>3</sup> The Commission received one comment letter, which expressed support for the proposed rule change.<sup>4</sup> This order approves the proposed rule change, as amended.

## II. Description of the Proposal

Rule 342 (“Offices—Approval, Supervision and Control”) prescribes the Exchange’s general supervisory requirements for member organizations. Among the requirements, Rule 342.13 (“Acceptability of Supervisors”) sets forth the Exchange’s qualification standards for personnel delegated supervisory responsibility. Before 2001, this provision provided, in part, that a person delegated supervisory responsibility must pass the General Securities Sales Supervisor Qualification Examination (“Series 9/10 Examination”) or an historical equivalent (*i.e.*, the Series 8 Examination).

In 2002, the Exchange amended Rule 342.13<sup>5</sup> to recognize the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (“NASD”)’s<sup>6</sup> General Securities Principal Examination (“Series 24 Examination”), if taken and passed after July 1, 2001, as an alternative to the Series 9/10 Examination requirement for persons whose duties did not include supervision of options or municipal securities sales activities.<sup>7</sup> At that time, the Exchange represented that NASD, as of July 2, 2001, had enhanced the Series 24 Examination by including test questions sufficient to provide appropriate coverage of the NYSE Rules. The Commission approved the proposed rule change on October 17, 2002.<sup>8</sup> The Exchange is now proposing to amend Rule 342.13 to eliminate the requirement that the Series 24 Examination be passed after July 1, 2001 in order for it to be an acceptable alternative to the Series 9/10 Examination.<sup>9</sup>

## III. Discussion and Commission Findings

The Commission has carefully reviewed the proposed rule change and finds that it is consistent with the requirements of the Act and the rules and regulations thereunder applicable to a national securities exchange.<sup>10</sup> In particular, the Commission finds that the proposed rule change is consistent with section 6(b)(5) of the Act,<sup>11</sup> which, among other things, requires that the rules of a national securities exchange be designed to promote just and equitable principles of trade, to foster cooperation and coordination with persons engaged in regulating transactions in securities, to remove impediments to and perfect the mechanism of a free and open market and a national market system and, in general, to protect investors and the public interest.

The Commission believes that the proposed amendment to NYSE’s rules to eliminate the requirement that the Series 24 Examination be passed after July 1, 2001 in order for it to be recognized as an acceptable alternative to the Series 9/10 Examination is consistent with the Act. The Commission notes that the NYSE and the NASD rulebooks have converged significantly in the last six years. Thus, the persons who took the Series 24 before July 1, 2001 have been subject to regulatory standards that have, to a large degree, been harmonized.<sup>12</sup> Further, persons who took the Series 24 Examination before July 1, 2001 have been subject to regulatory and firm element continuing education,<sup>13</sup> which provides ongoing training with respect to current regulatory requirements, including NYSE Rules, applicable to duties and responsibilities of those persons.

In addition, the Commission believes that the proposed amendment furthers the goals of the Exchange’s and FINRA’s continuing Rule Harmonization Initiative<sup>14</sup> in that it should result in

activity by taking and passing the Series 24 Examination and also taking and passing the Registered Options Principal (Series 4) and/or Municipal Securities Principal (Series 53) examinations.

<sup>10</sup> In approving this proposed rule change, the Commission has considered the proposed rule’s impact on efficiency, competition, and capital formation. *See* 15 U.S.C. 78c(f).

<sup>11</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78f(b)(5).

<sup>12</sup> Convergence between the NYSE Rules and FINRA Rules has included, in part, standards relating to anti-money laundering, supervision, research and internal controls, etc.

<sup>13</sup> *See* NYSE Rule 345A.

<sup>14</sup> The purpose of the Rule Harmonization Initiative is to achieve, to the extent practicable, substantive harmonization of the two regulatory

more closely aligned requirements under Rule 342.13 and the corresponding supervisory requirements under FINRA’s regulatory scheme.<sup>15</sup>

## IV. Conclusion

*It is therefore ordered*, pursuant to section 19(b)(2) of the Act,<sup>16</sup> that the proposed rule change, as amended (SR–NYSE–2007–53), be, and hereby is, approved.

For the Commission, by the Division of Trading and Markets, pursuant to delegated authority.<sup>17</sup>

**Florence E. Harmon,**

*Deputy Secretary.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### Office of Foreign Assets Control

#### Additional Designations, Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act

**AGENCY:** Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Treasury Department’s Office of Foreign Assets Control (“OFAC”) is publishing the names of additional persons whose property and interests in property have been blocked pursuant to the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act (21 U.S.C. 1901–1908, 8 U.S.C. 1182). In addition, OFAC is publishing a change to the listing of one individual previously designated pursuant to the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act.

**DATES:** The designation by the Secretary of the Treasury of the nine individuals and thirteen entities identified in this notice pursuant to section 805(b) of the Kingpin Act is effective on November 27, 2007. In addition, the change to the listing of one individual previously designated pursuant to section 804(b) of the Kingpin Act is effective on November 27, 2007.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Assistant Director, Compliance Outreach & Implementation, Office of Foreign Assets Control, Department of the Treasury, Washington, DC 20220, tel.: 202/622–2490.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

schemes in an effort to reduce regulatory duplication and streamline the rules of self-regulatory organizations.

<sup>15</sup> *See* FINRA Rule 1022(a).

<sup>16</sup> 15 U.S.C. 78s(b)(2).

<sup>17</sup> 17 CFR 200.30–3(a)(12).

<sup>3</sup> *See* Securities Exchange Act Release No. 56686 (October 23, 2007), 72 FR 61193 (October 29, 2007) (the “Notice”).

<sup>4</sup> *See* letter from Marian H. Desilets, President, Association of Registration Management, Inc. to Nancy M. Morris, Secretary, Commission, dated November 15, 2007.

<sup>5</sup> *See* Securities Exchange Act Release No. 46425 (August 28, 2002), 67 FR 56863 (September 5, 2002) (SR–NYSE–2002–24).

<sup>6</sup> NASD is now known as the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, Inc. (“FINRA”).

<sup>7</sup> The Series 24 Examination does not address these activities.

<sup>8</sup> *See* Securities Exchange Act Release No. 46631 (October 9, 2002), 67 FR 64187 (October 17, 2002) (order approving SR–NYSE–2002–24). *See also* NYSE Information Memo 02–51 (November 12, 2002).

<sup>9</sup> Prospectively, persons may continue to qualify to supervise options or municipal securities sales

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**Background**

The Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act ("Kingpin Act") became law on December 3, 1999. The Kingpin Act establishes a program targeting the activities of significant foreign narcotics traffickers and their organizations on a worldwide basis. It provides a statutory framework for the President to impose sanctions against significant foreign narcotics traffickers and their organizations on a worldwide basis, with the objective of denying their businesses and agents access to the U.S. financial system and to the benefits of trade and transactions involving U.S. companies and individuals.

The Kingpin Act blocks all property and interests in property, subject to U.S. jurisdiction, owned or controlled by significant foreign narcotics traffickers as identified by the President. In addition, the Kingpin Act blocks the property and interests in property, subject to U.S. jurisdiction, of foreign persons designated by the Secretary of Treasury, in consultation with the Attorney General, the Director of Central Intelligence, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Administrator of the Drug Enforcement Administration, the Secretary of Defense, the Secretary of State, and the Secretary of Homeland Security who are found to be: (1) Materially assisting in, or providing financial or technological support for or to, or providing goods or services in support of, the international narcotics trafficking activities of a person designated pursuant to the Kingpin Act; (2) owned, controlled, or directed by, or acting for or on behalf of, a person designated pursuant to the Kingpin Act; or (3) playing a significant role in international narcotics trafficking.

On November 27, 2007, OFAC designated nine additional individuals and thirteen additional entities whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to section 805(b) of the Foreign Narcotics Kingpin Designation Act.

The list of additional designees follows:

**Individuals:**

1. AZAM, Amir (a.k.a. SHEIKH MOHAMMED, Amir Azam); c/o A A TRADING FZCO, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Dubai, United Arab Emirates;

DOB 02 Nov 1971; POB Chiswick, England; Citizen United Arab Emirates; Passport 039856039 (United Kingdom); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

2. BEHZAD, Ahmad Abdulla Mohammad Abdulla (a.k.a. BEHZAD BSTAKI, Ahmad Abdullah Mohammed Abdullah; a.k.a. BEHZAD, Ahmad Abdulla Mohammad Abdulla; a.k.a. "Ahmed Mohammed Abdullah"; a.k.a. BAHZAD, Ahmad Abdullah Mohamed Abdullah; a.k.a. "Abdullah Mohammed Abdullah BAHZAD"; a.k.a. "Mohammed Abdullah Mohammed BAHZAD"; a.k.a. "Ahmed BEHZA"; a.k.a. BEHZAD, Ahmad Abdulla Mohd Abdulla; a.k.a. BEHZAD, Ahmed Abdulla; a.k.a. BEHZAD, Ahmad Abdulla Mohammad A; a.k.a. BEHZAD, Abdulla Mohd Abdulla; a.k.a. "Abdulla Mohamad Abdulla Mohamad BEHZAD"; a.k.a. "Abdullah Ahmad Abdullah Mohamad BAHZAD"); c/o SHAHBAZ KHAN GENERAL TRADING LLC, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; c/o FMF GENERAL TRADING LLC, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Sharjah, United Arab Emirates; DOB 02 Nov 1971; POB Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Citizen United Arab Emirates; Passport A1042768 (United Arab Emirates); Passport A0269124 (United Arab Emirates); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

3. LOAN, Waseem Rauf (a.k.a. LOUN, Waseem Rouf; a.k.a. LOUN, Waseem Raouf; a.k.a. RASHID, Abdul Majid; a.k.a. RASHI, Abdul Majid; a.k.a. BUTT, Abdul Majid; a.k.a. LOAN, Waseem Raouf; a.k.a. LOUN, Waseem Rauf; a.k.a. LON RAOUF, Wasim Raouf); c/o AL AMLOOD TRADING LLC, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; c/o FMF GENERAL TRADING LLC, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Pakistan; DOB 03 Mar 1966; POB Lahore, Pakistan; Citizen Pakistan; Passport AA8908881 (Pakistan); Identification Number 35200-5407888-5 (Pakistan); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

4. GHANI, Mohammad Nadeem (GHANI, Mohamed Nadim); c/o ZULEKHA GENERAL TRADING LLC, Ajman, United Arab Emirates; United Kingdom; Citizen United Kingdom; Passport 093055372 (United Kingdom); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

5. SCHNEIDER, Simon, c/o OFFENBACH HAUSHALTWAREN B.V., Beverwijk, Netherlands; c/o BELS FLOWERS IMPORT EXPORT BVBA, Antwerpen, Belgium; Netherlands; DOB 14 Jul 1967; POB Hoorn, Netherlands; Citizen Netherlands; Passport BA0199589 (Netherlands); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

6. MICHIELSEN, Tom (a.k.a. MICHIELSEN, Tom R.D.); Belgium; DOB 22 Dec 1975; POB Kapellen, Belgium;

Citizen Belgium; Passport FF615720 (Belgium); Identification Number 1041 002019 56 (Belgium); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

7. KHAN, Sherbaz, c/o SHAHBAZ KHAN GENERAL TRADING LLC, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; c/o SHER MATCH INDUSTRIES (PVT.) LIMITED, Peshawar, Pakistan; Peshawar, Pakistan; P.O. Box 33651, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; DOB 03 Apr 1979; POB Khyber Agency, Pakistan; Citizen Pakistan; Passport 137987 (Pakistan); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

8. NOOR MUHAMMAD, Abdul Majeed (a.k.a. NOOR MUHAMMED, Abdul Majid; a.k.a. NOOR MOHAMMAD, Abdul Majid); c/o FMF GENERAL TRADING LLC, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; DOB 1957; POB Chagai, Pakistan; Citizen Pakistan; Passport LA097936 (Pakistan); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

9. DUZCAN, Ceylan, United Arab Emirates; DOB 01 Mar 1975; POB Savsat, Turkey; Citizen Turkey; Passport 315408 (Turkey); Driver's License No. 11550 (Turkey); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

**Entities:**

1. SHAHBAZ KHAN GENERAL TRADING LLC (a.k.a. AL SHAHBOZ KHAN GENERAL TRADING LLC.); Al Ghas Building, Baniyas Square, Al Rigga Area, Flat No. 106, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; P.O. Box 24241, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; P.O. Box 40754, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Shop No. 16, Baniyas Centre, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; C.R. No. 52060 (United Arab Emirates); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

2. SHER MATCH INDUSTRIES (PVT.) LIMITED, Plot Numbers 119-121, Industrial Estate, Jamrud Road, Hayatabad, Peshawar, Pakistan; Shahnawaz Traders Royal Industrial Area, Jamrud Road, Peshawar, Pakistan; C.R. No. P-01876/19981106 (Pakistan); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

3. SHAHNAWAZ TRADERS, Shop No. 1-2, Block A, Jamrud Road, Royal Market, Peshawar, Pakistan; (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

4. SHAHBAZ TV CENTER, Shop No. 1-2, Block A, Jamrud Road, Royal Market, Peshawar, Pakistan; (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

5. DUBAI TRADING COMPANY, 44-45, Royal Shopping Plaza, Industrial Estate, Hayatabad, Peshawar, Pakistan; 53 Royal Shopping Plaza, Industrial Estate, Hayatabad, Peshawar, Pakistan; (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

6. SAF TECH S.L., Calle Serrano 52, Barcelona 08031, Spain; C.R. No. B62398060 (Spain); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

7. KHAN & SCHIRINDEL GMBH, Schwalbacher Strasse 19, Weisbaden

65185, Germany; C.R. No. HRB20555 (Germany); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

8. OFFENBACH HAUSHALTWAREN B.V., Rietlanden 5–A, Beverwijk 1948, Netherlands; Rietlanden 5–7, Beverwijk 1948 NE., Netherlands; C.R. No. 28094396 (Netherlands); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

9. BELS FLOWERS IMPORT EXPORT BVBA, Lange Lobroekstraat 8, Antwerpen 2060, Belgium; C.R. No. 478351540 (Belgium); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

10. A A TRADING FZCO, P.O. Box 37089, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

11. ZULEKHA GENERAL TRADING LLC (a.k.a. ZULEIKHA GENERAL TRADING; a.k.a. ZULIKHA GENERAL TRADING); P.O. Box 5456, Ajman, United Arab Emirates; C.R. No. 32035 (United Arab Emirates); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

12. AL AMLOOD TRADING LLC, Ali Rashid Lootah Building, Al Khaleej Street, Al Baraha Area, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; P.O. Box 3517, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; C.R. No. 79190 (United Arab Emirates); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

13. FMF GENERAL TRADING LLC, Ahmad Abdulla Bahzad Building, Al Qusais Street, Al Qusais Industrial Area, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; P.O. Box 16542, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; C.R. No. 66488 (United Arab Emirates); (ENTITY) [SDNTK].

In addition, OFAC has made a change to the following listing of one individual previously designated pursuant to the Kingpin Act:

1. KHAN, Shahbaz (a.k.a. KHAN GALAT KHAN, Shahbaz; a.k.a. KHAN ZADRAN, Shahbaz; a.k.a. KOOCHI, Shahbaz; a.k.a. "HAJI SHAHBAZ KOOCHI"; a.k.a. "HAJI SHAHBAZ"; a.k.a. ZADRAN, Shahbaz; a.k.a. "HAJI SHABBAZ"; a.k.a. ZADRAN, Shabbaz; a.k.a. ZADRAN, Haji Shabbaz; a.k.a. ZADRAN, Haji Shahbaz; a.k.a. HAN, Cellat; a.k.a. HAN, Sahbaz; a.k.a. KOCHI, Haji Shahbaz Khan; a.k.a. KHAN JALAT KHAN, Shahbaz); Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Peshawar, Pakistan; Hanover, Germany; DOB 01 Jan 1948; POB Landi Kotal, Pakistan; Citizen Pakistan; Passport AB4106401 (Pakistan); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

The listings now appear as follows:

1. KHAN, Shahbaz (a.k.a. KHAN GALAT KHAN, Shahbaz; a.k.a. KHAN ZADRAN, Shahbaz; a.k.a. KOOCHI, Shahbaz; a.k.a. "HAJI SHAHBAZ KOOCHI"; a.k.a. "HAJI SHAHBAZ"; a.k.a. ZADRAN, Shahbaz; a.k.a. "HAJI SHABBAZ"; a.k.a. ZADRAN, Shabbaz; a.k.a. ZADRAN, Haji Shabbaz; a.k.a. ZADRAN, Haji Shahbaz; a.k.a. HAN, Cellat; a.k.a. HAN, Sahbaz; a.k.a.

KOCHI, Haji Shahbaz Khan; a.k.a. KHAN JALAT KHAN, Shahbaz); c/o DUBAI TRADING COMPANY, Peshawar, Pakistan; c/o KHAN & SCHIRINDEL GMBH, Weisbaden, Germany; c/o SAF TECH S.L., Barcelona, Spain; c/o SHAHBAZ KHAN GENERAL TRADING LLC, Dubai, United Arab Emirates; c/o SHAHBAZ TV CENTER, Peshawar, Pakistan; c/o SHAHNAWAZ TRADERS, Peshawar, Pakistan; c/o SHER MATCH INDUSTRIES (PVT.) LIMITED, Peshawar, Pakistan; Dubai, United Arab Emirates; Peshawar, Pakistan; Hanover, Germany; DOB 01 Jan 1948; POB Landi Kotal, Pakistan; Citizen Pakistan; Passport AB4106401 (Pakistan); (INDIVIDUAL) [SDNTK].

Dated: November 27, 2007.

Adam J. Szubin,

Director, Office of Foreign Assets Control.  
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## DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

### United States Mint

#### Request for Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee Membership Applications

**ACTION:** Request for Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee Membership Applications.

**SUMMARY:** Pursuant to United States Code, Title 31, section 5135(b), the United States Mint is accepting applications for membership to the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC) for two new members: One representing the *interests of the general public* in the coinage of the United States; and one specially qualified to serve on the CCAC by virtue of his or her education, training, or experience in *numismatics*. The CCAC was established to:

- Advise the Secretary of the Treasury on any theme or design proposals relating to circulating coinage, bullion coinage, Congressional Gold Medals, and national and other medals produced by the United States Mint.

- Advise the Secretary of the Treasury with regard to the events, persons, or places that the CCAC recommends to be commemorated by the issuance of commemorative coins in each of the five calendar years succeeding the year in which a commemorative coin designation is made.

- Make recommendations with respect to the mintage level for any commemorative coin recommended.

Total membership consists of eleven voting members appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury:

- One person specially qualified by virtue of his or her education, training or experience as nationally or internationally recognized curator in the United States of a numismatic collection;
- One person specially qualified by virtue of his or her experience in the medallic arts or sculpture;
- One person specially qualified by virtue of his or her education, training, or experience in American history;
- One person specially qualified by virtue of his or her education, training, or experience in numismatics;
- Three persons who can represent the interests of the general public in the coinage of the United States; and
- Four persons appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury on the basis of the recommendations by the House and Senate leadership.

Members are appointed for a term of four years. No individual may be appointed to the CCAC while serving as an officer or employee of the Federal Government.

The CCAC is subject to the direction of the Secretary of the Treasury. Meetings of the CCAC are open to the public and are held approximately six to eight times per year. The United States Mint is responsible for providing the necessary support, technical services and advice to the CCAC. CCAC members are not paid for their time or services, but, consistent with Federal Travel Regulations, members are reimbursed for their travel and lodging expenses to attend meetings. Members are Special Government Employees and are subject to the Standards of Ethical Conduct for Employees of the Executive Branch (5 CFR part 2653).

The United States Mint will review all submissions and will forward its recommendations to the Secretary of the Treasury for appointment consideration. Candidates should include specific skills, abilities, talents, and credentials to support their applications. The United States Mint is also interested in candidates who have demonstrated leadership skills, have received recognition by their peers in their field of interest, have a record of participation in public service or activities, and are willing to commit the time and effort to participate in the CCAC meetings and related activities. Further information about the CCAC is available at <http://www.ccac.gov>.

**Application Deadline:** January 31, 2008.

**Receipt of Applications:** Any member of the public wishing to be considered