

Council extends sanctions on Venezuela until 14 November 2021



The Council today extended the EU sanctions regime against Venezuela **for one year, until 14 November 2021.**

The decision was taken in light of the ongoing political, economic, social and humanitarian crisis in Venezuela, with **persistent actions undermining democracy, the rule of law and respect for human rights.** The measures include **an embargo on arms and on equipment for internal repression,** as well as a travel ban and an asset freeze on **36 listed individuals** in official positions who are responsible for human rights violations and/or for undermining democracy and the rule of law.

These measures are intended to help **encourage democratic shared solutions** in order to bring political stability to the country and allow it to **address the pressing needs of the population.** The targeted measures are flexible and reversible and **designed not to harm the Venezuelan population.**

The relevant legal act will be published in the Official Journal of the European Union on 13 November 2020.