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The Chair of the Security Council Committee pursuant to resolutions 1267 (1999), 1989 (2011) and 2253 (2015) concerning ISIL (Da'esh), Al-Qaida and associated individuals, groups, undertakings and entities presents his compliments to the Permanent Representatives and Observers to the United Nations and wishes to convey the following:

On 4 February 2020, the Committee approved **the addition of the entry** specified below to its Sanctions List of individuals and entities subject to the assets freeze, travel ban and arms embargo set out in paragraph 1 of Security Council resolution 2368 (2017) and adopted under Chapter VII of the Charter of the United Nations.

## A. Individuals

QDi.425 Name: 1: AMADOU 2: KOUFA 3: na 4: na

Title: na Designation: na DOB: Approximately 1958 POB: Koufa, Mali Good quality a.k.a.: a) Amadou Barry b) Amadou Kouffa c) Hamadoun Koufa d) Hamadoun Kouffa e) Hamadou Kouffa f) Hamadou Kouffa Low quality a.k.a.: na Nationality: na Passport no: na National identification no: na Address: Mali Listed on: 4 Feb.2020 Other information: Founder of the Katiba Macina of Jama'a Nusrat ul-Islam wa al-Muslimin (JNIM) (QDe.159), executive of the Organization of Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) (QDe.014). Eye colour: brown. Hair colour: dark. INTERPOL-UN Security Council Special Notice web link: https://www.interpol.int/en/How-we-work/Notices/View-UN-Notices-Individuals

The names of individuals and entities on the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List pursuant to a decision by the Committee may be found in the "Press Releases" section on the Committee's website:

https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1267/press-releases.

To obtain a fully updated version of the List of individuals and entities associated with ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida and subject to the sanctions measures, Member States are encouraged to consult, on a regular basis, the Committee's website at the following

URL: <a href="https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1267/aq\_sanctions\_list">https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/sanctions/1267/aq\_sanctions\_list</a>. The ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List is available in HTML, PDF and XML format and is updated regularly on the basis of relevant information provided by Member States and international and regional organizations.

The Consolidated United Nations Security Council List is also updated following all changes made to the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List. An updated version of the Consolidated List is accessible via the following URL: <a href="https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/un-sc-consolidated-list">https://www.un.org/securitycouncil/content/un-sc-consolidated-list</a>.

In accordance with paragraph 19 of resolution 1526 (2004), the Secretariat automatically conveys updates of the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List to States, regional and sub-regional organizations by e-mail shortly following the postings of such updates on the Committee's website. Member States are invited to submit any updated or new information for this purpose to the Secretariat by e-mail to:

SC-1267-Committee@un.org or fax: (+1) 212-963-1300. The Committee encourages all States to allow implementation of updates of the ISIL (Da'esh) and Al-Qaida Sanctions List based on e-mails, soft-copy notices, or website postings.

4 February 2020

## **Narrative Summary**

## **QDi. 425**

## Amadou Koufa

Date on which the narrative summary became available on the Committee's website: 4 February 2020

Reasons for listing

Amadou Koufa was listed on 4 February 2020 pursuant to paragraphs 2 and 4 of resolution 2368 (2017) as being associated with ISIL or Al-Qaida for "participating in the financing, planning, facilitating, preparing, or perpetrating of acts or activities by, in conjunction with, under the name of, on behalf of, or in support of", "recruiting for" and "otherwise supporting acts or activities of" Al-Qaida (QDe.004).

Additional information:

Amadou Koufa is the founder and emir of the Macina Liberation Front, now known as the katiba Macina of Jama'a Nusrat ul-Islam wa al-Muslimin (JNIM) (QDe.159).

He is an executive of the Organization of Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) (QDe.014).

Close to Iyad ag Ghali (QDi.316), chief of Ansar Eddine (QDe.135) and leader of JNIM, Amadou Koufa is one of his religious advisers and his principal representative in the centre of Mali. He appeared alongside Iyad ag Ghali and other JNIM prominent figures in the video proclaiming the creation of JNIM.

Amadou Koufa is behind several dozens of attacks and ambushes against Malian armed forces. He took part in the attack on the city of Konna in January 2013 during the terrorist push towards the South of Mali.

He also carries out activities of recruitment and training for AQIM.

As a member of the judicial committee of the Grand Sahara region for AQIM, Amadou Koufa therefore contributes to the elaboration of the group's strategy in Mali.

He enabled the expansion of the operational sphere of JNIM towards the South of Mali and the border zone with Burkina Faso.

The terrorists responsible for the attacks against the French embassy and the headquarters of the Burkinabe army in Ouagadougou on 2 March 2018 benefited from the logistical support of a member of Amadou Koufa's katiba.

Related listed individuals and entities:

The Organization of Al-Qaida in the Islamic Maghreb (AQIM) (QDe.014), listed on 6 October 2001

Ansar Eddine (QDe.135), listed on 20 March 2013

Jama'a Nusrat ul-Islam wa al-Muslimin (JNIM, QDe.159), listed on 4 October 2018

Iyad ag Ghali (QDi.316), listed on 25 February 2013