# Autonomous Sanctions (Designated Persons and Entities and Declared Persons – Zimbabwe) Amendment List 2013

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# Autonomous Sanctions (Designated Persons and Entities and Declared Persons – Zimbabwe) Amendment List 2013 (No. 2)

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# Autonomous Sanctions (Designated Persons and Entities and Declared Persons – Syria) Amendment List 2013

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# **Charter of the UN Legislation Amendment Regulation 2013** (No. 1)

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# Charter of the UN (UN Sanction Enforcement Law) Amendment Declaration 2013 (No. 1)

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# Charter of the UN (Sanctions – the Taliban) Regulation 2013

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#### Information sought by the committee

3.80 Given the complexity of the issues involved, the committee recommended that the government conduct a comprehensive review of the autonomous sanctions regime in light of Australia's human rights obligations.

3.81 The former Minister's response is attached.

#### Committee's response

3.82 The committee thanks the former Minister for his response.

3.83 The committee notes that the former Minister had instructed the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to consider the committee's recommendation that it conduct a review of the sanctions regime.

3.84 The committee looks forward to being advised on progress on this matter in due course.



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**Dear Mr Jenkins** 

Thank you for your two letters of June 26, 2013, regarding the publication of the *Tenth Report of 2013* of the Parliamentary Joint Committee on Human Rights.

As you note, the report refers to my letter of June 5, 2013, regarding the implementation of Australian autonomous sanctions in relation to Zimbabwe, and to my letter of June 19, 2013, regarding Australia's implementation of United Nations Security Council (UNSC) sanctions under the *Charter of the United Nations Act 1945* and associated regulations.

As the Committee notes, the implementation of sanctions is a complex issue that requires careful consideration of the various competing interests involved, including human rights. I have instructed the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade to carefully consider the Committee's recommendation that it conduct a review of the sanctions regime in light of Australia's international human rights obligations.

Thank you once again for bringing the Committee's views to my attention.

Yours sincerely

Bob Carr