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Division of Supervision and Consumer Protection

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TO: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER (also of interest to BSA Officer)

SUBJECT: Executive Order Issued Blocking Property and the Export of Goods to Syria

Summary: *The Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control has published Executive Order 13338, implementing sanctions against Syria.*

On May 11, 2004, the Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) issued a press release indicating that the President of the United States issued Executive Order 13338-Blocking Property of Certain Persons and Prohibiting the Export of Certain Goods to Syria. This order restricts specific goods and services that may be sent to or from the United States. Attached is a copy of the order, which explains the restrictions.

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