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The Government

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Decree on
Countering the Financing of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass
Destruction

- Pursuant to Law on the Government No. 03/NA, dated 16 November 2021;
- Pursuant to Law on Anti-Money Laundering and the Counter-Financing of Terrorism No. 64/NA, dated 1 July 2024;
- Pursuant to Request made by the Bank of the Lao PDR No. 123/BOL, dated 22 May 2025.

The Government issues the Decree:

Chapter 1
General Provisions

Article 1 Objectives

This Decree stipulates the principles, regulations, and measures concerning the management and supervision of activities related to countering the financing of proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, aiming to enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of such work. This is intended to ensure social peace and order, strengthen and stabilize the economic and financial system, enable regional and international integration, and contribute to the national protection and development.

Article 2 Countering the Financing of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

The Countering the financing of proliferation of weapons of mass destruction refers to the activities of individuals, legal person, and organizations responsible for identifying, combating, restricting, and suppressing the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

Article 3 Definition

1. **Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction** refers to the development, production, and illicit transfer of weapons of mass destruction to countries or groups that should not receive them, without proper scrutiny or control, as defined under the regulations of the Lao PDR and the relevant United Nations Security Council (UNSC) resolutions to which the Lao PDR is a party.

2. **Financing of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction** refers to the provision of funds or financial services, as well as the transfer, facilitation, intermediation, or brokerage of such funds or assets, that are, in whole or in part, intended to be used for the production, acquisition, development, export, transport, storage, or use of nuclear, chemical, biological, or radiological weapons, including related materials, technology, systems, and dual-use goods, in violation of the regulations of the Lao PDR and the international obligations under treaties and UNSC resolutions to which the Lao PDR is a party.
3. **Funds to be suspended, withheld, seized or frozen** means any money, financial assets, economic resources, or property of any kind, whether tangible or intangible, movable or immovable, corporeal or incorporeal, and legal documents or instruments in any form, including electronic or digital forms, evidencing title to, or interest in, such funds or assets. This includes, but is not limited to, bank credits, traveler's cheques, bank cheques, money orders, shares, securities, bonds, drafts, or letters of credit, as well as interest, dividends, or other income generated from such funds or assets, and any other assets that may be used to obtain funds, goods, or services. These funds or assets may be wholly or partially owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by any person or entity designated in relation to the financing of the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, by persons acting on their behalf or at their direction, or by entities owned or controlled by them, as set out in UNSC Resolutions 1718 (2006), 2231 (2015), and other relevant UNSC resolutions to which the Lao PDR is a party."
4. **Weapons of Mass Destruction (WMD)** refers to weapons with high destructive power or capability, such as nuclear weapons, chemical weapons, biological weapons, radiological weapons, and other weapons that may be developed to have high destructive characteristics or effectiveness, in contravention of the regulations of the Lao PDR and treaties to which the Lao PDR is a party.
5. **Nuclear Weapon** means any explosive device capable of releasing uncontrolled nuclear energy, excluding its means of transport or delivery system, and excluding any delivery mechanism that is separable and not an integral component of the device itself, such as missiles, bomber aircraft, or submarines.
6. **Chemical Weapons** means weapons involving the aggregation or separation of toxic chemicals, precursors, explosive materials, or specifically designed equipment that causes death or severe harm due to the chemical properties or any equipment specifically designed for direct use with such chemical weapons.
7. **Biological Weapons** means toxins, biological agents, and microorganisms produced as biological weapons, which are not intended for disease prevention or national security purposes.
8. **Radioactive Material** means nuclear devices and radioactive substances that undergo spontaneous disintegration, such as alpha particles, beta particles, neutrons, and gamma rays, having radiological or fissile characteristics that result in death, serious injury, or significant damage to property or the environment.

9. **Toxic Chemical** means any chemical substance that, through its chemical action on life processes, can cause death, temporary incapacitation, or permanent harm to humans or animals, regardless of its origin or method of production, wherever it may be.
10. **Reporting Entity** means legal entities and individuals with responsibilities in implementing countering the financing of WMD proliferation, including commercial banks, microfinance institutions, pawn shops, leasing companies, payment service providers, insurance companies, securities companies, investment fund management companies, investment funds, virtual asset service providers (VASPs), real estate businesses, precious metals and stones dealers, accounting firms, auditing firms, casino businesses, law firms, and lawyers.
11. **Transaction** means all activities involving financial movement for their customers, such as buying, selling, or paying for services, depositing, withdrawing, remitting, or transferring related to banking, insurance, securities, precious metals, virtual assets, including customer services such as postal enterprises, accounting firms, auditing firms, law firms, lawyers, pawn shops, leasing companies, payment service providers, investment fund management companies, investment funds, real estate businesses, and casino businesses.
12. **Seizure** means taking custody of funds of individuals, legal entities, organizations, or groups listed as involved in the financing of proliferation of weapons of mass destruction, upon order of the relevant authorities of the Ministry of Public Security (MOPS).
13. **Freezing** means prohibiting the purchase, sale, transfer, exchange, pledging, mortgaging, guaranteeing, adding to, destroying, altering, moving, or otherwise dealing with funds, whether movable or immovable assets, of individuals, legal entities, organizations, or groups listed as involved in the financing of WMD proliferation, upon order of the relevant authorities of the MOPS.
14. **The National Coordination Committee for Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism (NCC)** refers to an ad hoc body established by appointment of the Prime Minister, composed of: the Deputy Prime Minister as Chairperson; the Governor of the Bank of the Lao PDR as Deputy Chairperson and Standing Member; Deputy Ministers or Deputy Heads of relevant organizations as Deputy Chairpersons; and other appointed members. The Anti-Money Laundering Intelligence Office (AMLIO) serves as the Secretariat.

Article 4 State Policy on Countering the Financing of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

The State shall encourage, promote, create favorable conditions, and facilitate activities to counter the financing of the WMD proliferation by providing budgetary support, personnel, vehicles, equipment, and modern technology to the competent authorities responsible for implementing counter-proliferation financing measures.

The State shall also encourage and promote the participation of individuals, legal persons, and all sectors in activities aimed at countering the financing of the WMD proliferation.

Article 5 Principles of Countering the Financing of the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

Activities to counter the financing of the WMD proliferation shall be carried out in accordance with the following principles:

1. Ensure consistency with national policies, laws, national strategies and visions on anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing, as well as the national socio-economic development plans;
2. Safeguard national peace and stability, while facilitating financial and trade activities;
3. Protect the legitimate rights and interests of individuals, legal persons, and organizations;
4. Ensure fairness, transparency, justice, openness, and verifiability;
5. Comply with treaties to which the Lao PDR is a party, and other relevant international agreements.

Article 6 Obligations of Citizens in Countering the Financing of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

Individuals, legal persons, and organizations have the obligation to participate in efforts to counter the financing of the WMD proliferation, including but not limited to monitoring, reporting, providing information, and cooperating with the competent authorities in the prevention and suppression of the financing of such proliferation.

Article 7 Protection

Individuals, legal persons, organizations, employees, and officials, as well as participants in activities related to countering the financing of the WMD proliferation including but not limited to members of governing boards, managers of reporting entities and postal enterprises, reporting persons, providers of information, witnesses, and experts who perform their duties in good faith, together with their families, shall be protected under the law against civil and criminal liability, retaliation, threats to life, health, liberty, as well as harm to their dignity, reputation, or personal property.

The funds, property, rights, and legitimate interests of third parties acting in good faith shall be respected and protected in accordance with the law.

Article 8 Scope of Use

This Decree applies to all domestic and foreign individuals, legal entities, or organizations involved in and related to countering the financing of WMD proliferation in the Lao PDR.

Article 9 International Cooperation

The State promotes relations and cooperation with foreign countries, regional bodies, and international organizations concerning countering the financing of WMD proliferation through the exchange of lessons learned, information, techniques, technology, and human resource development, in implementation of treaties to which the Lao PDR is a party and relevant international agreements.

Chapter 2

Withholding, Seizing, or Freezing Funds of Designated Persons and Entities Associated with the Financing of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

Article 10 Withholding or Suspension

Reporting entities and postal enterprises shall conduct ongoing customer due diligence in relation to transactions and services, whether completed or attempted but not successfully executed.

In conducting customer due diligence, postal enterprises may also review postal deposits suspected to be related to designated persons or entities associated with the financing of WMD proliferation.

In cases of attempted transactions that are not completed, if funds or other assets are detected or identified as belonging to, or associated with, any natural persons, legal person, organization or group of people listed as designated persons and entities associated with the financing of WMD proliferation, the reporting entities and postal enterprises must withhold or suspend the transaction without prior notice to the customer and immediately report to the MOPS and AMLIO.

In cases where a transaction has been completed, and funds are subsequently detected or identified as belonging to, owned, or controlled by, or otherwise associated with, any natural person, legal person, organization, or group designated for or associated with the financing of WMD proliferation, the reporting entities and postal enterprises must immediately withhold or freeze such funds to prevent their movement, transfer, or use, without prior notice to the customer, and must promptly report the action taken to the MOPS and AMLIO.

Article 11 Seizure and Freezing

Upon receipt of a report from reporting entities and postal enterprises, the MOPS shall issue an order on seizing or freezing funds or other assets of designated persons and entities associated with the financing of WMD proliferation immediately.

Funds or other assets that have been seized or frozen shall be preserved until the order of seizure and freezing is lifted, or amended, in accordance with the provisions set forth in Article 15 of this Decree.

Article 12 Procedures Following Seizure or Freezing of Funds.

Following the issuance of an order on seizing or freezing funds, the MOPS shall promptly undertake the collection of information and evidence to determine whether the suspected person and the funds concerned are associated with, or not associated with, WMD proliferation financing. Such verification must be completed within thirty days. Where the collection of information and evidence involves multiple parties or is complex, this period may be extended for an additional thirty days. In cases where the collection of information and evidence requires cooperation with foreign jurisdictions, the verification must be completed within ninety days.

If it is established that the funds are not associated with the designated list for proliferation, or where the UNSC removes the name of the owner of the funds from the list of designated persons and entities, the order of seizure or freezing of funds shall be immediately lifted.

The MOPS shall notify the relevant reporting entities, postal enterprises, natural persons, legal person, organization or group of people concerned of the lifting of the administrative measures and shall ensure the prompt return of the funds or other assets without delay.

Article 13 Reporting of Transactions or Activities of Designated Persons and Entities Associated with the Financing of Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction.

Natural persons, legal person or organization that encounter any transaction or activity of natural persons, legal persons, organizations or groups of people associated with list of proliferation financing must immediately report such activities to the AMLIO or the MOPS to tenably take appropriate action and apply measures to freeze such transactions or activities.

If reporting entities suspect a transaction, service or customer of being a designated person, entity or otherwise linked to the financing of WMD proliferation, they must immediately file a suspicious transaction report to the AMLIO. For postal enterprises, such reports must be submitted without delay to the relevant authority of the MOPS.

Article 14 Screening and Verification of Potential False Positive Match

Reporting entities, postal enterprises, and other relevant parties must conduct screening and verification of information relating to natural persons, legal persons, organization or groups of people whose names are identical or similar to those of persons or entities designated on the list relating to proliferation financing. This includes verifying identifiers such as name, surname, date of birth, and other identification documents, on an ongoing basis, to ensure that such persons are not involved in financing of WMD proliferation activities.

In cases where reporting entities, postal enterprises, or other relevant parties are unable to confirm whether a natural persons, legal persons, organizations or group of people with an identical or similar name is in fact a designated person or entity, they must refer the matter to the MOPS and AMLIO for verification immediately.

Upon confirmation that the person or entity is only a false positive and not the designated person, reporting entities, postal enterprises, and other relevant parties must immediately lift any suspension or withholding measures applied to the funds.

Chapter 3

Measures to Mitigate the Consequences of Withholding, Seizing or Freezing Funds with respect to Natural Persons, Legal Persons, and Organizations or Groups of People

Article 15 Legal Remedies and Redress for the Consequences of Freezing and Seizing Funds.

Natural persons, legal persons, and organizations designated on the list relating to the financing of the proliferation, who are affected by the freezing or seizure on their funds shall have the right to submit a petition or request to the MOPS for review and consideration of redress.

The remedying of consequences from the seizing or freezing of funds in accordance with the UNSC List shall be carried out as follows:

1. Authorize to access seizing or freezing of funds under following conditions:
 - 1.1 Conditions for exemptions under Resolution 1718 (2006) and 1452 (2002):
 - Basic expenses, such as necessary expenses for daily living, including food, rent or mortgage, medicines and medical treatment, taxes, insurance, public services, and education;
 - Extraordinary expenses that are not basic but necessary for professional services, such as attorney fees, emergency medical treatment, or expenses necessary for lawful business operations;
 - Payment of debts or obligations incurred prior to designation (1718), provided that such payments are not for the benefit of the designated natural persons, legal persons, organizations or groups of people.
 - Resolution 2270 (2016), which is a successor resolution to Resolution 1718 (2006), provides that the seizure of assets shall not apply to funds and assets that are necessary for the activities of the representatives of the designated entities to the United Nations, or for the experts of the relevant United Nations bodies.
 - 1.2 Conditions for exemptions under Resolution 2231 (2015):
 - Must be carried out in accordance with the conditions specified in clause 1.1 of this article.
 - Activities related to the implementation of the Joint Comprehensive Plan of Action (JCPOA) are allowed exemptions for funds necessary for activities directly related to the items listed in Resolution 2231 (2015). This includes the transfer and activities related to nuclear materials, nuclear program mitigation, inspection and monitoring by the International Atomic Energy Agency, or other related activities;

- Interest and proceeds from frozen accounts, it is permitted to receive interest or other proceeds arising from contracts, agreements, or other obligations that existed prior to the freezing of the accounts, provided they are not related to prohibited items, assets, technology, training, financial or other assistance, investment, representation, or services mentioned in Resolution 2231 (2015) or any other resolutions derived from it.
2. Termination of freezing, seizure, and return of funds without delay if the owner of the funds is removed from the list of individuals or entities associated with the WMD proliferation under UNSCR.

The consideration of exemptions under Resolution 1718 (2006) and Resolution 2231 (2015) shall be implemented according to the decisions of the respective committees of the UNSC for these resolutions, whether favorable or not.

Article 16 Frozen or Seized Funds without Intent Declaration

Funds that have been seized or frozen where the owner or beneficiary fails to express intent regarding the seizure or freezing of said funds, the relevant authorities of the MOPS shall coordinate with the relevant parties/sectors to proceed with and review the matter in accordance with the laws and regulations of the Lao PDR.

Chapter 4

Requesting for Listing and De-listing on the Designation List

Article 17 Designation List

Designation List refers to the list of natural persons, legal persons, or organization or group of people associated with financing of the WMD proliferation, as designated by the UNSC under UNSC resolutions such as Resolution 1718 (2006), 2231 (2015), and any successor/relevant resolutions.

Article 18 Requesting for Listing or De-listing on Designation List

The MOPS is in charge of investigating the information and evidence related to natural persons, legal persons, organization, or groups proposed for listing or de-listing from UNSC List, in coordination with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MOFA), Ministry of Industry and Commerce (MOIC), AMLIO, relevant ministries and organizations, based on the basic information and the criteria for designation as specified in the resolution of the United Nations Security Council and Financial Action Task Force, details as bellow:

1. Natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people involved in nuclear-related programs, including other programs related to weapons of mass destruction and missile-programs;
2. Natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people who have provided support to nuclear and missile-related programs with the potential for mass destruction, including through illegal means;

3. Natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people who have acted on behalf of or at the direction of natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people specified in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article;
4. Natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people who are owned or controlled, directly or indirectly, by natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people specified in paragraphs 1 and 2 of this Article;
5. Natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people who have assisted in the evasion of sanctions or in the violation of the provisions of resolutions 1718 (2006) and 1874 (2009);
6. Natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people who have provided support for projects or activities prohibited by the relevant resolutions or have circumvented the provisions of the resolutions;
7. Natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people who are involved in, directly associated with or provide support for nuclear proliferation activities or are involved in the procurement of prohibited items, such as items, goods, equipment, materials and technology specified in the relevant UNSCRs;
8. Natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people who have provided assistance to natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people as specified in the list in evading or acting contrary to the provisions of the UNSCRs;
9. Any natural person, legal person or organizations or groups of people acting on behalf of or at the direction of any natural person, legal person, organization or group of people specified in paragraphs 7 and 8 of this Article or any natural persons, legal persons or organizations or groups of people who owns or controls such person.

After consideration, if found there is evidentiary standard or reasonable grounds whether such a natural person, legal person, organization or group of people have or have not engaged in behaviors or activities related to financing the WMD proliferation, the MOPS shall propose to the MOFA to submit the requesting to the UNSC for consideration.

Article 19 Requesting to the United Nations Security Council

The MOFA shall propose the de-listing of natural person, legal person and organizations or groups of people that have not engaged in behaviors or activities related to financing the WMD proliferation, to the UNSC, using the standard forms specified by the UNSC through the United Nations Office of the Ombudsperson.

In addition, the MOPS shall also inform natural persons, legal persons, organizations or groups of people listed by the UNSC, of their rights and details of procedures for submitting a delisting request as well as the availability of the United Nations Office of the Ombudsperson.

Article 20 Communicating of the United Nations Security Council List

After the MOFA receives the list from the UNSC, it is not necessary to conduct further investigation or consideration, but it shall immediately communicate such list to the MOPS, Ministry of Technology and Communications (MTC), MOIC and AMLIO.

The MOPS, MTC, MOIC and AMLIO shall notify the United Nations Security Council List to Lao PDR entry and exit check points, reporting entities, postal enterprises, and relevant parties so that suspend transactions or services and withhold funds, and shall propose to the

MOPS to issue an Order to seize or freeze such funds related to the listed persons or those financing the WMD proliferation within twenty-four (24) hours after the UNSC approves or updates the list. The updated list shall be published immediately through the government website or the website of the relevant organization.

The MOPS, MTC, MOIC, AMLIO, reporting entities, postal enterprises, natural persons, legal persons, organizations, and other relevant parties may access the UNSC List through the electronic system and other available channels.

Chapter 5

Prohibitions

Article 21 General Prohibitions

Natural persons, legal persons and organisations are prohibited from the following behaviors:

1. Engaging in the funds or assets of natural persons, legal persons, and organizations or group people listed on or those related to financing of the WMD proliferation of the UNSC List.
2. Engaging in activities or operations related to funds while knowing that those funds are owned, controlled, or possessed directly or indirectly, in whole or in part or acting on behalf of or under the direction of natural person, legal person, organization, or group people listed on the financing of the WMD proliferation of the UNSC List.
3. Transforming the assets or funds of natural persons, legal persons, and organizations or group people listed on financing of the WMD proliferation of the UNSC List, whether directly or indirectly, in whole or in part.
4. Engaging in or participating in the proliferation financing.
5. Engaging in or providing any form of assistance to proliferation financing.
6. Interacting with natural persons, legal persons and organizations or group people listed on the list of financing of the WMD proliferation.
7. Giving, receiving bribes, or acting as an intermediary in giving or receiving bribes to relevant employees and officials.
8. Falsification of documents or use of falsified documents.
9. Concealment, covering up, threatening, delaying, and/or obstructing the performance of duties by the relevant staffs or officers.
10. Reporting false information regarding the proliferation financing.
11. Other activities that contravene laws and regulations.

Article 22 Prohibitions for Reporting entities, Postal Enterprises, and relevant sectors

Reporting entities, Postal Enterprises, and related parties are prohibited from engaging in the following behaviors:

1. Engaging with shell banks, non-existent financial institutions, legal persons or organizations without legal personality.

2. Dealing with banks in countries that do not have laws or regulations regarding the countering the financing of the WMD proliferation.
3. Conducting business or transactions with natural person, legal persons, organisations or group people listed on list of financing of the WMD proliferation.
4. Bribery of the relevant staff or officer concerned or acting as an intermediary therein.
5. Other activities that contravene laws and regulations.

Article 23 Prohibitions for relevant staffs and authorities

The relevant staffs and authorities are prohibited from the following behaviors:

1. Abuse of their rights, duties, and/or position, use of violence, and/or coercion to seek gains for themselves and/or their families, relatives, and/or associates with the countering the financing of the WMD proliferation.
2. Disclosing confidential information concerning the countering the proliferation financing to natural persons, legal persons or organisations who are not associated therewith.
3. Collusion with natural persons, legal persons, and organizations or group people associated with the proliferation financing.
4. Bribery of the relevant staff or officer concerned or acting as an intermediary therein.
5. Negligence with respect to their duties and responsibilities or delaying the processing of documents.
6. Other activities that contravene laws and regulations.

Chapter 6

Supervision and Inspection of Countering the Financing of the Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction

Article 24 The Supervision and Inspection Authority

The National Committee Coordination on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter the Financing of Terrorism (NCC) is oversight agency for supervising and inspecting the activities related to countering the financing of the WMD proliferation and also acts as the coordinating authority in collaboration with the MOPS, MOFA, MTC, Bank of the Lao PDR (BOL), ministries, organisations, local governments, and other relevant.

Article 25 Rights and Duties of the National Coordination Committee on Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Financing of Terrorism

The NCC has the rights and duties in supervising and inspecting the activities related to countering the financing of WMD proliferation, as the followings:

1. Research and formulate policies and regulations on countering the financing of WMD proliferation to propose to the Government for consideration;
2. Develop policies, laws and regulations on countering the financing of WMD proliferation into plans, programs and projects, as well as implement them;
3. Publicize and disseminate policies, laws, strategic plans, regulations, plans, programs and projects on countering the financing of WMD proliferation;
4. Approve the action plan on countering the financing of WMD proliferation;

5. Supervise, promote, manage, and monitor the implementation of work to counter the financing of WMD proliferation by relevant organizations;
6. Supervise the training and upgrading of personnel working on countering the financing of WMD proliferation by relevant organizations;
7. Appoint a subcommittee to coordinate and implement work on countering the financing of WMD proliferation;
8. Designate reporting units;
9. Supervise coordination and cooperation with foreign countries both regionally and internationally on countering the financing of WMD proliferation;
10. Summarize and report its implementation work to the government regularly;
11. Utilize other rights and implement other duties as prescribed by law and as assigned by the government.

Article 26 Rights and Duties of the Ministry of Public Security

MOPS has rights and duties with supervising and inspecting activities on countering the financing of WMD proliferation, as the followings:

1. Take the lead in coordinating, conducting to consideration and resolution regarding the seized and frozen funds;
2. Research, create and improve legislation on the withholding, seizing or freezing funds of nature persons, legal persons, organisations and groups of people associated with the financing of WMD proliferation;
3. Manage, monitor and inspect the seized and frozen funds;
4. Submit the list of nature persons, legal persons, organisations and groups of people associated with the financing of WMD proliferation to the Lao PDR entry and exit check points;
5. Issue orders to seize or freeze funds immediately upon reports from reporting entities, postal enterprises, individuals, legal entities or any organization that is applying administrative measures;
6. Notify in writing to the reporting entities to recognize and revoke the application of administrative measures in the event that the funds are found not to be related to or associated with the list of nature persons, legal persons, organisations and groups of people involved in the financing of WMD proliferation;
7. Collect or compile information and evidence in accordance with the criteria for determining the list of nature persons, legal persons, organisations and groups of people involved in the financing of WMD proliferation;
8. Coordinate with relevant ministries, agencies and local authorities in implementing the activities of withholding, seizing or freezing funds of nature persons, legal persons, organisations and groups of people involved in the list of the financing of WMD proliferation;
9. Summarize and report on the implementation of the work of withholding, seizing or freezing funds of nature persons, legal persons, organisations and groups of people involved in the list of the financing of WMD proliferation;
10. Utilize other rights and perform other duties as prescribed by laws and regulations.

Article 27 Rights and Duties of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

MOFA has rights and duties with supervising and inspecting works on countering the financing of WMD proliferation, as the followings:

1. Immediately submit a list of those involved in the financing of WMD proliferation to the MOPS, MOIC and AMLIO;
2. Provide a list of countries, individuals, legal entities, organizations, or groups of people who have been in the UNSC List as specified in the resolutions of the UNSC to the MOPS, MOIC and AMLIO;
3. Propose to the UNSC to add to or remove from the UNSC List in the event that there is evidence that the individual, legal entity, organization, or group of people meets the conditions for addition to or removal from the list as specified in the resolutions of the UNSC;
4. Summarize and report on the implementation of the Lao PDR's work on countering the financing of WMD proliferation to the UNSC in accordance with the obligations set forth in the resolutions of the said organization;
5. Exercise other rights and perform other duties as prescribed in laws and regulations.

Article 28 Rights and Duties of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce

MOIC has rights and duties with supervising and inspecting works on countering the financing of WMD proliferation, as the followings:

1. Develop legislation and regulations to manage dual-use goods business operators under its responsibility;
2. Monitor and inspect dual-use goods business operators to counter the financing of WMD proliferation;
3. Provide the data and information of individuals, legal entities and organizations that will import and use dual-use goods related to the financing of WMD proliferation to relevant parties;
4. Notify the list of those involved in the financing of WMD proliferation to dual-use goods business operators;
5. Utilize other rights and perform other duties as prescribed in laws and regulations.

Article 29 Rights and Duties of the Ministry of Technology and Communications

MTC has rights and duties with supervising and inspecting works on countering the financing of WMD proliferation, as the followings:

1. Monitor and inspect the implementation of countering the financing of WMD proliferation in the postal enterprise sector and report to the next higher level periodically;
2. Provide the data and information of individuals, legal entities, organizations or groups of people who are detected as potentially at risk of WMD proliferation or financing of such acts to relevant parties;
3. Notify the list of those involved in the financing of WMD proliferation to the postal enterprise;
4. Exercise other rights and perform other duties as prescribed in laws and regulations.

Article 30 Rights and Duties of the Anti-Money Laundering Intelligence Office

AMLIO has rights and duties with supervising and inspecting works on countering the financing of WMD proliferation, as the followings:

1. Monitor and inspect the implementation of countering the financing of WMD proliferation of the reporting entities;
2. Immediately notify the list of those nature persons, legal persons, organisations and groups of people involved in the financing of WMD proliferation to the reporting entities;
3. Train and upgrade personnel working on countering the financing of WMD proliferation of relevant organizations;
4. Coordinate with the MOPS, MOIC, ministries, organizations and other relevant to consider the implementation of the fine measures to individuals, legal entities or organizations or groups of people, reporting entities and relevant postal enterprises that violate this Decree;
5. Exercise other rights and perform other duties as prescribed by laws and regulations.

Article 31 Rights and Duties of Ministries, Organizations, Local Governments and Other Relevant

Ministry, organizations, local government bodies and other relevant have the rights and duties to cooperate and coordinate with the NCC and AMLIO in implementing work on countering the financing of WMD proliferation according to their roles and responsibilities.

Article 32 Inspection Contents

The inspection contents of work on countering the financing of WMD proliferation are following:

1. Implementation of laws and regulations in countering the financing of WMD proliferation;
2. Exercise of rights and perform duties of relevant officials;
3. Formulation and implementation of plans on work to counter the financing of WMD proliferation;
4. Other contents deemed necessary.

Article 33 Forms of Inspection

There are three types of inspection methods for countering the financing of WMD proliferation as the followings:

1. Regular inspections, which are inspections that are carried out regularly according to a plan and have a specific time frame;
2. Inspections with prior notice, which are unplanned inspections when deemed necessary, with advance notice to the target being inspected;
3. Unannounced inspections, which are urgent inspections without advance notice to the target being inspected.

In conducting inspections for countering the financing of WMD proliferation, the law must be strictly followed.

Chapter 7

Policies for Outstanding Achievers and Penalties for Violators

Article 34 Policies for Outstanding Achievers

Natural person, legal persons and organizations making outstanding achievements in their implementation and enforcement of this this decree will be commended or benefit from the policies in accordance with laws and regulations.

Article 35 Penalties for Violators

Natural person, legal persons and organizations violating this decree shall be warnings, educated, disciplined, fined, compensatory damages, and/or criminal punishment, depending on the severity of the case.

Chapter 8

Final Provisions

Article 36 Implementation

The Bank of the Lao PDR is responsible for organizing and implementing this decree effectively and efficiently.

Ministries, organisations, local government, and other relevant are to recognise and strict implementation of this decree.

Article 37 Entry into Force

This Decree enters into force on date of 04 November 2025.

**Government of the Lao PDR
The Prime Minister**

(Signature and Seal)

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