

would necessarily involve a commitment or contribution of funds or other assets to a public or private undertaking, entity, or project within Serbia. See § 586.513 concerning the authorization of certain trade-related transactions conducted using bank notes or barter by U.S. persons located outside of the territory of the FRY (S&M).

NOTE TO § 586.408: All transactions with respect to property in which the Government of the Republic of Montenegro has an interest are authorized pursuant to § 586.516. Therefore, all financial transactions by U.S. persons within the territory of the Republic of Montenegro are authorized, unless the transaction involves property in which another interest exists that is blocked pursuant to § 586.201 or any other part of this chapter. See § 586.403.

§ 586.409 Approval or other facilitation of other persons' investment in the territory of the Republic of Serbia.

(a) The prohibition contained in § 586.204 against approval or other facilitation by U.S. persons of other persons' investment in the territory of the Republic of Serbia bars any action by a U.S. person that assists or supports other persons' activity that would constitute prohibited new investment under that section if engaged in by a U.S. person. Such approval or other facilitation with respect to persons whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to § 586.201 also constitutes a violation of that section. See the definition of the term *new investment* in § 586.312.

(b) *Examples:* (1) A U.S. person is prohibited from brokering, financing, guaranteeing, or approving the purchase by any other person, including a foreign affiliate, of shares, including an equity interest, in a publicly or privately held undertaking, entity or project located in the territory of the Republic of Serbia, except as provided in § 586.514.

(2) The sale to a non-U.S. person of a U.S. person's equity or income interest in an entity in the territory of the Republic of Serbia constitutes facilitation of that other person's investment in Serbia, and would otherwise be prohibited but for the authorization contained in § 586.514.

(3) A U.S. national or permanent resident alien employed by a foreign per-

son may not participate in any decision-making role in an activity by the foreign person that includes investment in the territory of the Republic of Serbia.

§ 586.410 Transfer of funds to the benefit of certain persons in the territory of the FRY (S&M).

Section 586.201 does not prohibit U.S. financial institutions that are not blocked, including their foreign branches, from transferring funds to accounts in financial institutions for the benefit of individuals, non-governmental organizations and other persons located in the territory of the FRY (S&M) whose property and interests in property are not blocked pursuant to that section, provided that such transactions do not result in the transfer of funds to or for the benefit of persons whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to § 586.201.

Subpart E—Licenses, Authorizations, and Statements of Licensing Policy

§ 586.501 General and specific licensing procedures.

For provisions relating to licensing procedures, see subpart D of part 501 of this chapter. Licensing actions pursuant to part 501 of this chapter with respect to the prohibitions of this part are considered actions pursuant to this part.

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§ 586.502 Effect of license or authorization.

(a) No license or other authorization contained in this part, or otherwise issued by or under the direction of the Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control pursuant to this part, authorizes or validates any transaction effected prior to the issuance of the license, unless specifically so provided in such license or authorization.

(b) No regulation, ruling, instruction, or license authorizes any transaction prohibited under this part unless the regulation, ruling, instruction, or license is issued by the Office of Foreign Assets Control and specifically refers

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to this part. No regulation, ruling, instruction, or license referring to this part authorizes any transaction prohibited by any provision of this chapter unless the regulation, ruling, instruction or license specifically refers to such provision.

(c) Any regulation, ruling, instruction, or license authorizing any transaction otherwise prohibited under this part has the effect of removing a prohibition or prohibitions contained in this part from the transaction, but only to the extent specifically stated by its terms. Unless the regulation, ruling, instruction, or license otherwise specifies, such an authorization does not create any right, duty, obligation, claim, or interest in, or with respect to, any property which would not otherwise exist under ordinary principles of law.

NOTE TO PARAGRAPH (c) OF § 586.502: The general license in § 586.516 authorizing transactions with respect to property in which the Government of the Republic of Montenegro has an interest removes such property and interests in property from the phrase "property and interests in property blocked pursuant to § 586.201" for purposes of this part.

(d) Any general license or statement of licensing policy contained in this part authorizing transactions with respect to the Government of the FRY (S&M) shall, unless otherwise stated, also authorize analogous transactions with respect to the Governments or territories of the Republic of Serbia and the Republic of Montenegro.

§ 586.503 Exclusion from licenses and authorizations.

The Director of the Office of Foreign Assets Control reserves the right to exclude any person, property, or transaction from the operation of any license, or from the privileges therein conferred, or to restrict the applicability thereof with respect to particular persons, property, transactions, or classes thereof. Such action is binding upon all persons receiving actual or constructive notice of such exclusion or restriction.

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§ 586.504 Payments and transfers to blocked accounts in U.S. financial institutions.

Any payment of funds or transfer of credit in which any person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to § 586.201 has any interest, that comes within the possession or control of a U.S. financial institution, must be blocked in an account on the books of that financial institution. A transfer of funds or credit by a U.S. financial institution between blocked accounts in its branches or offices is authorized, provided that no transfer is made from an account within the United States to an account held outside the United States, and further provided that a transfer from a blocked account may only be made to another blocked account held in the same name.

NOTE TO § 586.504: Please refer to § 501.603 of this chapter for mandatory reporting requirements regarding financial transfers. See also § 586.203 concerning the obligation to hold blocked funds in interest-bearing accounts.

§ 586.505 Payment of obligations to U.S. persons authorized.

(a) The transfer of funds after the effective date by, through, or to any U.S. financial institution or other U.S. person not blocked pursuant to this chapter solely for the purpose of payment of obligations to U.S. persons of persons whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to § 586.201 is authorized, provided that the obligation arose prior to the effective date or is otherwise authorized pursuant to statute or the provisions of this part, and the payment requires no debit to a blocked account. Property is not blocked by virtue of being transferred or received pursuant to this section.

(b) A person receiving payment under this section may distribute all or part of that payment to any person, provided that any such payment to a person whose property or interests in property are blocked pursuant to § 586.201 must be to a blocked account in a U.S. financial institution.