

FinCEN has issued an alert to help financial institutions identify funding streams supporting the Iran-backed Lebanese militia and U.S.-designated Foreign Terrorist Organization (FTO) Lebanese Hizballah (Hizballah). The alert supplements the information related to Hizballah's financing outlined in FinCEN's 2024 Advisory on Iran-Backed Terrorist Organizations.

The alert includes red flag indicators to help detect, prevent, and report potential suspicious activity related to Hizballah's terrorist financing and other illicit activities.

FinCEN requests that financial institutions reference this alert by including the existing key term "IRANTF-2014-A001" in SAR field 2 (Filing Institutions Note to FinCEN) and the narrative and select SAR field 33(a) (Terrorist Financing-Known or suspected terrorist/terrorist organization). In addition, FinCEN requests that financial institutions include the term "Hizballah" in SAR field 33(z) if a link to Hizballah is known or suspected.

You can read the alert here.

CCI suggests sharing this information with your BSA Officer. For any related questions, please contact us via inquiries@completecompli.com.

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