Dear Ms Koj,

Thank you for your e-mail to the Swedish Minister for Foreign Affairs, Mrs Margot Wallström. I work at the Ministers Office and have been asked to reply to you.

The sanctions against Russia are published in the Official Journal of the European Union. The process concerning the sanctions is transparent and the sanctions also have clear periods of validity. The EU:s implementing regulations are very detailed regarding the meaning of the sanctions and can be found online. Please find a link attached below where you can find more information.

http://europa.eu/newsroom/highlights/special-coverage/eu_sanctions/index_en.htm

It is possible to appeal the sanctions, which can lead to delisting. This was the case when Ukraine's former security chief, Oleksandr Yakymenko, was delisted in March 2015.

https://euobserver.com/foreign/127908

In Sweden there are several authorities responsible to perform different tasks according to EU sanctions regulations. The Swedish Migration Agency (http://www.migrationsverket.se/English/About-the-Migration-Agency.html) , Finansinspektionen (http://www.fi.se/Folder-EN/Startpage/About-FI/Who-we-are/) and Försäkringskassan are examples of authorities in Sweden responsible for the sanctions against Russia.

If you are interested you can also visit Sweden's official web-site on international sanctions presenting information about what sanctions are in place and what Swedish authorities are competent to perform different tasks according to EU sanctions regulations. Please find a link attached below.

http://www.regeringen.se/regeringens-politik/utrikes--och-sakerhetspolitik/sanktioner/

Yours sincerely

Michael Nordenberg

Desk Officer

Swedish Ministry for Foreign Affairs