

Treasury Sanctions Former Canadian Olympian and Notorious Narcotrafficker Ryan Wedding

Today, the U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) sanctioned **Ryan James Wedding (Wedding)**, alongside nine individuals and nine entities closely associated with him. Wedding, a former Olympic snowboarder for Team Canada, is one of the Federal Bureau of Investigation's (FBI) Ten Most Wanted Fugitives. He is an extremely violent criminal believed to be responsible for the murder of numerous people abroad, including U.S. citizens. Wedding remains a fugitive from justice, currently hiding in Mexico, where he continues to direct drug trafficking, murder, and other serious criminal activities.

"Today we're exposing the network of associates and enablers behind Ryan Wedding — one of the most notorious criminals and narcotraffickers still evading justice," said **Under Secretary of the Treasury for Terrorism and Financial Intelligence John K. Hurley**. "Treasury is joining with the FBI and the Department of Justice to cut Wedding and his criminal partners off from the U.S. financial system and help dismantle the network they rely on. Our goal is simple: make it difficult for criminals like this to profit from poisoning our communities."

COCAINE TRAFFICKING AND GLOBAL MURDERS

Wedding, a former Canadian Olympic snowboarder who competed in the 2002 Winter Olympics, is responsible for trafficking multi-ton quantities of cocaine through Colombia and Mexico for distribution in the United States and Canada. His criminal organization uses cryptocurrency to move and launder the proceeds of drug trafficking, concealing vast sums of illicit wealth. According to the FBI, Wedding has ordered dozens of murders across the globe, including in the United States, Canada, and Latin America. He employs highly sophisticated methods in both the planning and execution of these killings, demonstrating a level of coordination and ruthlessness that has made him one of the world's most dangerous fugitives.

Several key associates have enabled Wedding's criminal enterprise. **Edgar Aaron Vazquez Alvarado (Vazquez)**, also known as "the General," provides protection for Wedding within Mexico and uses law enforcement sources to locate targets for Wedding. Vazquez is believed to be a former Mexican law enforcement officer with ties to senior Mexican law enforcement officials. Vazquez owns the Mexico-based companies **VRG Energeticos S.A. de C.V.**, **Grupo RVG Combustibles S.A. de C.V.**, and **Grupo Ares Imperial S. de R.L. de C.V.**

Miryam Andrea Castillo Moreno (Castillo) is Wedding's wife. Castillo launders drug proceeds for Wedding and has helped him conduct acts of violence.

Carmen Yelinet Valoyes Florez (Valoyes) is a Colombian national who runs a high-end prostitution ring in Mexico. Valoyes assisted Wedding with the murder of a federal witness in January 2025. Valoyes introduced Wedding to his Colombian girlfriend, **Daniela Alejandra Acuna Macias (Acuna)**. Acuna has collected hundreds of thousands of dollars from Wedding, whom she knew from the beginning of their relationship to live a lifestyle funded by violent narcotics trafficking. She has assisted Wedding in obtaining information on his rivals.

Deepak Balwant Paradkar (Paradkar) is a Canadian attorney who has provided a range of illegal services to Wedding and his drug trafficking organization beyond the scope of a normal attorney-client relationship. Paradkar introduced Wedding to the drug traffickers that have been moving Wedding's cocaine and has also helped Wedding with bribery and murder. Paradkar violated the trust of his clients and the ethics of his profession by allowing Wedding and his associates to eavesdrop on privileged communications between Paradkar and his other clients, several of whom Wedding wished to murder. Wedding paid Paradkar with luxury watches and additional fees for these illegal services

MONEY LAUNDERING THROUGH A TRANSATLANTIC ASSET MANAGEMENT NETWORK

Wedding has laundered his illicit profits through an extensive transatlantic network of businesses and associates, channeling drug proceeds into luxury assets such as cars and motorcycles that are concealed around the world. Wedding relies on two chief money launderers to manage his complex financial operations: Canadian jeweler **Rolan Sokolovski (Sokolovski)** and former Italian special forces member **Gianluca Tiepolo (Tiepolo)**.

Sokolovski has overseen bookkeeping for Wedding's organization and laundered its funds through his jewelry business, **2351885 Ontario Inc**, which operates under the trade name "Diamond Tsar" and maintains a storefront in Toronto, Ontario. In addition to using his business as a front for laundering, Sokolovski has transferred millions of dollars in drug proceeds using cryptocurrency, concealing the origins of Wedding's profits.

Tiepolo has worked closely with Sokolovski to procure and manage Wedding's physical assets, including high-end vehicles, and has held millions of dollars in Wedding's property under his own name to conceal these assets from authorities. Tiepolo owns two businesses that trade in luxury motorcycles and automobiles: Italy-based **Stile Italiano S.R.L. (Stile Italiano)** and United Kingdom-based **TMR Ltd**. He also founded **Windrose Tactical Solutions S.R.L.S. (Windrose Tactical)**, which has operated military-style tactical training camps that have trained many of Wedding's hitmen.

Italian citizen **Cristian Diana (Diana)** and United Kingdom (UK) citizen **John Anthony Fallon (Fallon)** are business associates of Tiepolo. Diana serves as president of the board of directors of both Stile Italiano and Windrose Tactical. Fallon is a director of TMR Ltd. alongside Tiepolo and is also the 50 percent owner and sole director of two UK companies, **LMJ Trading Ltd** and **Made In Italy Motorcycles Limited**.

As a result of today's action, all property and interests in property of the designated or blocked persons described above that are in the United States or in the possession or control of U.S. persons are blocked and must be reported to OFAC. In addition, any entities that are owned, directly or indirectly, individually or in the aggregate, 50 percent or more by one or more blocked persons are also blocked.

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