

Navigating the New Sanctions Landscape, Key Insights from 2025

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Rachel shares that 2025 saw unprecedented expansion in US terrorism-related designations, from drug cartels to Haitian gangs, to Venezuelan leadership, signaling a new era of increasingly novel sanctions applications that demand continuous compliance framework adaptation.

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