**Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS)**

**Preliminary Results of the Palestinian Registered\* External Trade**

**in Goods of October, 10/2016.**

**Exports:**

Exports increased in October, 2016 by 4.6% compared to September, 2016. It also increased by 3.4% compared to October, 2015 and reached USD 78.9 Million.

Exports to Israel decreased in October, 2016 by 1.7% compared to September, 2016 and represented 83.5% of total exports in October, 2016

On the other hand, exports to other countries increased by 56.0% during the same period compared to September, 2016.

Imports:

Imports decreased in October, 2016 by 3.8% compared to September, 2016. It also decreased by 6.1% compared to October, 2015 and reached USD 399.5 Million.

Imports from Israel increased by 1.8% in October, 2016 compared to September, 2016 and represented 64.1% of total imports in October, 2016.

On the other hand, imports from other countries decreased by 12.4% compared to September, 2016.

**Net Trade Balance on Registered Goods:**

The trade balance which represents the difference between exports and imports showed a decrease in trade deficit by 5.7% in October**,** 2016 compared toSeptember 2016. It alsodecreased by 8.2% compared to October**,** 2015 and reached USD 320.6 Million.

\*: Includes actual data received from official sources