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

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

**Goods of October, 10/2017**

**Exports of Goods:**

Exports increased in October, 2017 by 17.7% compared to September, 2017. It also increased by 9.6% compared to October, 2016 and reached USD 86.5 million.

Exports to Israel increased in October, 2017 by 14.9% compared to September, 2017 and represented 88.3% of total exports in October, 2017.

At the same time, exports to other countries increased by 44.3% during the same period compared to September, 2017.

Imports of Goods:

Imports increased in October, 2017 by 9.7% compared to September, 2017. It also increased by 15.2% compared to October, 2016 and reached USD 460.3 million.

Imports from Israel increased by 5.8% in October, 2017 compared to September, 2017 and represented 56.5% of total imports in October, 2017.

At the same time, imports from other countries increased by 15.2% compared to September, 2017.

**Net Trade Balance on Registered Goods:**

The trade balance which represents the difference between exports and imports showed an increase in trade deficit by 8% in October, 2017 compared to September, 2017. It also increased by 16.6% compared to October, 2016 and reached USD 373.8 million.

**Note:**

**\*:** Includes actual data received from official sources