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## Results Announcement

### International Investment Position & External Debt –Fourth Quarter 2014

The Palestinian Central Bureau of Statistics (PCBS) and the Palestine Monetary Authority (PMA) announce the preliminary results of the International Investment Position (IIP), and External Debt statistics for Palestine at the end of fourth quarter 2014.

The primary results of the IIP (external assets – foreign liabilities) for Palestine at the end of fourth quarter 2014 revealed that the net IIP amounted to about USD 1,234 million, which means that the Palestinian economy had invested outside Palestine by more than the investment amount in Palestine from abroad. The cash deposits of local banks in foreign banks and foreign exchange in Palestinian economy contributed a major value in the external assets, which represented by 63.2% of their total value.

The total stocks of External Assets for Palestine amounted to USD 5,950 million, The Foreign Direct Investment abroad had contributed to 2.8%, Portfolio Investments abroad reached 19.9%, while Other Foreign Investments abroad (mainly currency and deposits) reached 66.0% and Reserve Assets amounted to 11.3%. According to sectoral level, the external investments of banking sector contributed a major value in the external assets, represented by 74.4% of the total value of external assets.

The total stocks of Foreign Liabilities in Palestine (Stocks of non- residents invested in Palestine) had amounted to USD 4,716 million, the Foreign Direct Investment in Palestine contributed 52.0%, Portfolio Investments in Palestine reached 15.1% and Other Investments in Palestine (mainly loans and deposits from abroad) amounted to 32.9%. According to sectoral level, the foreign investments in banking sector contributed a major value in the foreign liabilities, represented by 32.0% of the total value of foreign liabilities.

The Gross External Debt on the Palestinian economy sectors had amounted to USD 1,557 million, The debt on general government sector had contributed 69.9%, while debt on banks sector reached 25.9%, and debt on other sectors (non-financial, insurance enterprises NGOs and household sectors) amounted to 3.9%, the lending between affiliated companies contributed to 0.3%.

The International Investment Position (IIP) is defined as an accounting sheet records the investments stocks for the residents in Palestine (individuals, institutions and government) that was invested in the rest of the world (abroad) under the name of (assets), on the one hand, and the investments stocks owned by residents outside Palestine (individuals,

institutions and governments) that was invested in Palestine under the name of (liabilities) on the other hand.

The Balance of Payments Manual - fifth edition, issued by the International Monetary Fund in 1993, divides the assets and liabilities to direct investment (investment by 10% and more in the non-resident capital), and portfolio investment (investment less than 10% in the non-resident capital as well as investment in bonds), and other investments (which are divided into stocks of trade credit, loans, currency and deposits and any other assets or liabilities), in addition to the Reserve Assets, which is defined as Stocks held by the Monetary Authority to address the imbalances in the balance of payments, it is worth mentioning that the reserve assets are only included in the asset side.

The External Debt is defined as an accounting sheet records the debt stocks on Palestinian economy sectors due to non-residents, which include (loans from non-residents, the non-residents deposits deposited in the banks sector in Palestine, the Palestinian bonds purchased by non-residents, debt transactions between the non-resident enterprises and fellow enterprises in Palestine, in addition to any other liabilities on Palestinian economy) the data of external debt have been extracted from the liabilities side in the international investment position matrix (debt items). Preparing, classifying and publishing of the data based on (External Debt Statistics Manual) issued by IMF in 2003, this manual is harmonized with 5<sup>th</sup> edition of Balance of Payments and International Investment Position Manual

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**Table 1: International Investment Position (IIP) stock by Economic Sectors For Palestine, at the end of the Fourth Quarter 2014**

Value in million USD

Economic Sector  Investments Stocks by Type of Investment	Monetary Authorities (PMA)	Government Sector	Banks Sector	Other Sectors		TOTAL
				Non-Financial Companies, Insurance Companies and NGO's Sector	House- Holds Sector	
<b>International Investment Position (net)*</b>	<b>1,007</b>	<b>-949</b>	<b>2,917</b>	<b>-876</b>	<b>-865</b>	<b>1,234</b>
<b>Total External Assets</b>	<b>1,007</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>4,424</b>	<b>343</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>5,950</b>
<i>Foreign Direct Investment Abroad</i>	0	0	0	139	28	<b>167</b>
<i>Portfolio Investments Abroad</i>	144	0	914	124	1	<b>1,183</b>
<i>Other Investments Abroad</i>	191	140	3,510	80	7	<b>3,928</b>
Of which: currency and deposits**	191	0	3,486	75	7	<b>3,759</b>
Reserve Assets	672	0	0	0	0	<b>672</b>
<b>Total Foreign Liabilities</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,089</b>	<b>1,507</b>	<b>1,219</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>4,716</b>
Foreign Direct Investment in Palestine	0	0	817	735	901	<b>2,453</b>
Foreign Portfolio Investments in Palestine	0	0	286	424	0	<b>710</b>
Foreign Other Investments in Palestine	0	1,089	404	60	0	<b>1,553</b>
Of which: Loans from abroad	0	1,089	0	58	0	<b>1,147</b>
Of which: currency and deposits***	0	0	404	0	0	<b>404</b>

**Notes:**

- The data in the above table are closed to the nearest integer.

- The data does not include the value of land owned by non-residents.

\* International investment position (net): equals total external assets minus total foreign liabilities.

\*\* Currency and deposits: Including residents deposits in banks abroad, In addition to foreign currency cash in Palestinian economy.

\*\*\* Currency and deposits: Include the deposits of non-residents deposited in local banks.

**Table 2: Gross External Debt position on Palestine, at the end of the Fourth Quarter 2014**

Value in million USD

<b>Economic Sector</b>	<b>Stock at the end of the Fourth Quarter 2014</b>
<b>General Government</b>	<b>1,089</b>
Short-term	73
Long-term	1,016
<b>Monetary Authorities</b>	<b>0</b>
Short-term	0
Long-term	0
<b>Banks</b>	<b>404</b>
Short-term	404
Long-term	0
<b>Other Sectors</b>	<b>60</b>
Short-term	0
Long-term	60
<b>Direct investment: lending between affiliated companies</b>	<b>4</b>
Debt liabilities to affiliated enterprises	0
Debt liabilities to direct investors	4
<b>Gross External Debt Position</b>	<b>1,557</b>