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

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

**in Goods of May, 05/2016.**

**Exports:**

Exports increased in May, 2016 by 4.4% compared to April, 2016. While it decreased by 1.8% compared to May, 2015 and reached USD 83.5 Million.

Exports to Israel increased in May, 2016 by 3.5% compared to April, 2016 and represented 87.9% of total exports in May, 2016.

At the same time, exports to other countries increased by 11.2% during the same period compared to April, 2016.

Imports:

Imports increased in May, 2016 by 21.5% compared to May, 2016. It also increased by 19.7% compared to May, 2015 and reached USD 492.1 Million.

Imports from Israel increased by 12.7% in May, 2016 compared to April, 2016 and represented 50.6% of total imports in May, 2016.

At the same time, imports from other countries increased by 31.9% compared to April, 2016.

**Net Trade Balance on Registered Goods:**

The trade balance which represents the difference between exports and imports increased by 25.7% in May, 2016 compared to April, 2016. It also increased by 25.3% compared to May, 2015 and reached USD 408.6 Million.

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