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

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

**in Goods of September, 09/2016.**

**Exports:**

Exports decreased in September, 2016 by 10.6% compared to August, 2016. While it increased by 18.9% compared to September, 2015 and reached USD 75.4 Million.

Exports to Israel decreased in September, 2016 by 12.5% compared to August, 2016 and represented 88.9% of total exports in September, 2016

On the other hand, exports to other countries increased by 8.2% during the same period compared to August, 2016.

Imports:

Imports decreased in September, 2016 by 6.7% compared to August, 2016. It also decreased by 7.8% compared to September, 2015 and reached USD 415.3 Million.

Imports from Israel decreased by 2.2% in September 2016 compared to August, 2016 and represented 60.6% of total imports in September 2016.

At the same time, imports from other countries decreased by 12.9% compared to August, 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 5.8% in September, 2016 compared toAugust, 2016. It alsodecreased by 12.1% compared to September, 2015 and reached USD 339.9 Million.

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