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## **Foreword**

The significance of the foreign trade statistics is that it reflects a clear portrait of economic development process either in term of national imports or exports and re-exports.

In this regard, the central statistical organization is very pleased to publish this bulletin, which contains variety of economic indications and data tables, these tables show the size of trade exchange with international economic blocks, organizations, unions and geographic entities. The central statistical organization is always exerted its efforts to fulfill the needs of users of all levels, which serve the development process in our country. Three bulletins of foreign trade statistics have published as follow:

- 1- Foreign trade statistics book: contains of number of tables, divided into five sections:
  - Section 1: Main economic indicators.
  - Section 2: Trade exchange with international economic blocks and geographic entities.
  - Section 3: Exports and re-exports statistics.
  - Section 4: Imports statistics.
  - Section 5: Agricultural-goods trade.
- 2- Trade exchange statistics with international economic organizations and unions, contains tables of exports and imports classified by country of destination and by sections and items of H.S. (in two digits).
- 3- Exports statistics with international economic organizations and unions. classified by country of origin and by sections and items of H.S. (in two digits).

On this occasion, the cso would like to voice gratitude for the custom authority, the ministry of oil and minerals, and the Aden Refinery company for their continuous cooperation through the provision of most up – to – date information.

We would also like to thank the staff of the foreign trade department of the cso's headquarters and branch offices and the staff of the general department of trade for their efforts and high spirit that fuel their achievements and for their awareness of the vitality of their work for the planning of the development process.

We would like to cap this introduction by stating our hope that this bulletin will fulfill the needs of all users. We also welcome any remarks or comments aimed at improving of foreign trade statistics in the future.

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## **Foreword**

The Joint work between the customs authority and the central statistical organization has witnessed much of development. In this regard, a lot of work has been conducted in order to raise level of the foreign trade statistics such as using HS classification, which started to be used in 2004 in the central statistical organization, whereas it has been conducted in the customs authority in 1997. This work is considered the base of all other works that carried out later , specially the network link between the customs authority and the central statistical organization in order to transfer the foreign trade data to the CSO via (ASYCUDA).

The joint work with the CSO in revising, auditing and unifying of foreign trade database, as well as, working together to publish an intergraded bulletin come as a result of fruitful cooperation between the customs authority and CSO.

In light of its orientation, the customs authority exerted its effort to provide the CSO with the data and will work to develop its current mechanism either through ASYCUDA or to up-to- date any differences its database. In fact, the customs authority will also facilitate any difficulties which may face the data transfer between the customs authority and CSO.

We, lastly, would like to voice gratitude to the foreign trade management staff in the CSO and the customs authority staff for their efforts in developing the foreign trade statistics.

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