



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES

**PHILIPPINE STATISTICS AUTHORITY**

**Memorandum Order No. 11  
Series of 2018**

**RECONSTITUTING AND RENAMING THE INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON  
TRADE STATISTICS INTO THE INTERAGENCY COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND  
INDUSTRY STATISTICS**

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Republic Act (RA) 10625, the PSA Board approved, through PSA Board Resolution No. 4, Series of 2014, the establishment of the Committees on Statistics of the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), which include the Interagency Committee on Trade and Industry Statistics (IACTIS);

**WHEREAS**, by virtue of Memorandum Order No. 09, Series of 2014, the Interagency Committee on Trade Statistics (IACTrS) was established to address the highly diverse nature of issues relating to Philippine trade statistics, both domestic and international trade on goods and services and also on industry;

**WHEREAS**, the IACTrS serves as a venue for discussion and resolution of issues, review of current techniques/methodologies, framework and compilation procedures, and recommend policies and workable schemes towards the improvement of trade and industry statistics;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the IACTrS is reconstituted and renamed into the Interagency Committee on Trade and Industry Statistics (IACTIS) with the following composition and terms of reference:

Undersecretary  
Industry Development and Trade Policy Group  
Department of Trade and Industry (DTI)

Assistant National Statistician  
Economic Sector Statistics Service  
Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA)

Director  
Trade, Industry and Utilities Staff  
National Economic and Development Authority (NEDA)

Director  
Department of Economic Statistics  
Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP)



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Deputy Commissioner  
Management and Information System Technology Group  
Bureau of Customs (BOC)

Director  
Philippine Economic Zone Authority (PEZA)

Director  
Tariff Commission (TC)

The Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Committee shall be elected from among its members. Resource persons may be invited to the meetings of the Committee as the need for them arises.

The specific functions of the Committee are as follows:

1. Serve as a forum for the discussion of issues raised by the stakeholders regarding the official statistics on trade of goods and services and industry;
2. Conduct an in-depth review of all issues relating to Philippine trade statistics, including foreign and domestic trade on goods and services;
3. Conduct an in-depth assessment of available data on export of IT services and analyze possible improvements in data reporting, collection and consolidation;
4. Review the concepts, techniques, and methodologies used in the collection, processing and reporting of trade and industry statistics to ensure conformity with prescribed statistical standards;
5. Recommend policies geared towards improved generation of trade statistics on goods and services and industry statistics;
6. Conduct an in-depth review of export statistics and valuation practices of exporting companies and identify issues resulting therefrom;
7. Conduct an in-depth review of consigned imports; and
8. Present the results and recommendations to the PSA Board for appropriate action.

To enhance the effectiveness and efficiency of the IACTIS, the PSA shall review its composition on an annual basis and recommend its reconstitution, if deemed necessary. For more effective conduct of meetings, the identified IACTIS membership shall serve as basis for determining its quorum. The PSA shall provide technical, secretariat, and logistics support to the IACTIS. It shall also monitor compliance to policies formulated and report periodically to the PSA Board.

The Committee may establish technical working groups (TWGs) and task forces (TFs), as the need arises, to assist in the exercise of its functions, subject to the approval of the PSA National Statistician. Technical, secretariat, and logistics support to the TWGs/TFs shall be provided by the concerned agencies as agreed upon by the concerned group. Other member-agencies are enjoined to give same support whenever deemed necessary by the Committee.

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The Committee shall adhere to the PSA Guidelines for Interagency Committees, Technical Working Groups, and Task Forces in the implementation of its activities and in the preparation of reports and recommendations. It shall submit to the National Statistician its work program and shall report on the progress of its work, including the findings and recommendations on issues referred to it.

This Memorandum Order takes effect on \_\_\_\_\_ 2018.

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Chair, PSA Board Secretariat

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