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E/ESCAP/CST(4)/2 Thank you very much honourable Chairperson and commission members. It is a pleasure for Malaysia to be part of the commission member towards the improvement of Economic Statistics in Asia and the Pacific.

> 1/ Malaysia took note on the implementation plan of the Regional Programme for the Improvement of Economic Statistics in Asia and the Pacific, which recommended a phased implementation by three milestone years, 2014, 2017 and 2020.

> 2. Malaysia fully supports and acknowledges the recommendations stated in the document particularly on the importance of enhancing coordination among the development partners.

Malaysia will subscribe and adhere to the Core Sets of Economic Statistics being proposed and endorsed by the Commission. Most of the Core Sets of Economic Statistics have been compiled and released by Malaysia in a timely manner.

## NATIONAL ACCOUNT

- 1. In view of the improvement of national accounts statistics, Malaysia remains committed towards full implementation of SNA 2008. The first phase of SNA 2008 implementation was started in 2012 with partial incorporation of recommendations óutlined in SNA 2008.
- Acknowledging the recommendation of goods sent abroad for processing (GFP) under 2008 SNA and BPM 6, Malaysia started incorporate GFP treatment during the rebasing of GDP to base year 2010 in 2015. Annual and quarterly of GDP time series data from 2010 onwards were revised with an effect from GFP. The GDP for first quarter of 2015, provides a complete series of GDP with GFP treatment.
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was broadened with the introduction of GDP by Income Approach (GDI) in 2014. With GDI, Malaysia has fully completed three approaches of measuring annual GDP. The compilation of GDI was by economic activities.

4. In line with the nation's agenda of digital economy, Malaysia has embarked on producing Information and Communication Technology Satellite Account (ICTSA) since 2011 and to the public was in 2014.

## EXTERNAL TRADE:

External merchandise trade price indexes Malaysia is pleased to inform that the external merchandise trade price indexes has been published on a monthly basis. Malaysia thus has achieved signpost 3. Currently we are on 2005=100 but this will be updated to 2010=100 in July 2015.

6. External trade – merchandise. Malaysia is also pleased to inform that the external trade merchandise is also on signpost 3 ie, it is published on monthly basis.

 Both publications are available for free download. Besides that we also have an online, interactive trade system upt to 5 digit SITC and 6 digit HS for users to access.

Malaysia would also like to bring your attention that Malaysia will involve internationally in particular with Asian Development Bank (ADB) in Updating and Constructing the Supply and Use Table for Selected Developing Member Economies.

Malaysia fully supports the national implementation plan and monitoring framework being developed and agreed with the strategy being adopted.

Thank you Mr/Madame Chair. [Thank you for your attention].

Market Merit