

**DELIBERATION NO 151 OF THE CONSELHO SUPERIOR DE ESTATÍSTICA (STATISTICAL COUNCIL)**

**APPROVAL OF THE NOMENCLATURE OF THE PORTUGUESE SYSTEM OF NATIONAL ACCOUNTS  
(base 95)**

Whereas it was recognised by the *Conselho Superior de Estatística* (Statistical Council) (hereinafter referred to as the Council), on the occasion of the approval of the «*Linhas Gerais da Actividade Estatística Nacional*» (General Guidelines of National Statistical Activity) for the 1998-2002 period, that «*reliability, consistency, opportunity and integration, and the ensuing comparability of official statistics are based on pertinent statistical methods and rules, mandatory for all statistics producers within the scope of the National Statistical System. In this context, stress should be laid on the adjustment to the Portuguese reality of international statistical nomenclatures and classifications, focusing on the European Union's (...)*»;

Whereas, in this context, the Council defined as its first priority «*to develop the national statistical nomenclature and classification systems, mandatory within the scope of the National Statistical System, interlinked with updated international versions, in particular the European Union's and the UN's*»;

Whereas the joint presentation of the Nomenclatures of the Portuguese System of National Accounts (base 95) systematises the main classifications underlying the System's structure;

Whereas, however, these classifications are still under review at the international level;

Having regard to the relevance of these nomenclatures for the National Statistical System;

***The Secção Permanente de Estatísticas Macroeconómicas (Standing Section of Macroeconomic Statistics)***, at its meeting of 13 March 1998 and pursuant to the powers delegated to it in paragraph 2 (j) of Deliberation No 140 of the Council - Annex E, ***provides for the following:***

1. ***To approve the «Nomenclatures of the Portuguese System of National Accounts (base 95)»***, in annex to this Deliberation and forming an integral part thereof, ***to be used within the scope of the National Statistical System.***

*The Classifications of the Portuguese System of National Accounts (base 95) include the following nomenclatures and classifications:*

- *Nomenclature of institutional sectors*
- *Nomenclature of products/branches*
- *Classification of transactions and other flows and Nomenclature of assets*
- *Classification of Individual Consumption by Purpose and Classification of the Functions of the Government*

*The Standing Section of Macroeconomic Statistics also decides that any adjustments deemed necessary in the context of the first implementation of the nomenclatures, as well as international reviews, shall be incorporated therein, and shall be monitored by an expert Working Group.*

2. *The Standing Section of Macroeconomic Statistics recommends that Statistics Portugal* ponders the possibility of a further breakdown of «group 221» and «division 26» of the «branch nomenclature».

Lisbon, 13 March 1998

The Chairman of the Section, *João Ferreira do Amaral*

The Executive Secretary of the Statistical Council, *Pedro Jorge Nunes da Silva Dias*

*The «Nomenclatures of the Portuguese System of National Accounts (base 95)» may be acquired at the National Statistical Institute either in hard copy or in file format, and are available, free of charge, on the Statistics Portugal's website.*