

DELIBERATION NO 259 OF THE CONSELHO SUPERIOR DE ESTATÍSTICA (STATISTICAL COUNCIL)

ON THE APPROVAL OF THE NOMENCLATURE OF BRANCHES AND PRODUCTS

Whereas the joint approval on 13 March 1998 of the Nomenclatures of the Portuguese System of National Accounts (base 95) to be used within the scope of the *Sistema Estatístico Nacional* (National Statistical System) –Deliberation No 151 of the *Conselho Superior de Estatística* (Statistical Council) (hereinafter referred to as the Council).

Whereas, in its *Linhas Gerais da Actividade Estatística Nacional, e respectivas prioridades, para o período 2003/2007* (General Guidelines of National Statistical Activity and relevant priorities for the 2003-2007 period) approved in January 2003, the Council gave priority to the need to «*Develop the annual system of national accounts; wherefore it is relevant to focus on the adoption and maintenance of a re-basing systematic programme, to start together with the launch of a new centralised base in the year 2000, as well as on the consolidation of a model for the dissemination of data, based on three data collection periods (preliminary: seventy days; provisional: nine months; and final: three years)*».

Whereas the Nomenclature of Branches and Products is one of the Nomenclatures envisaged in Deliberation No 151 and also whereas the preparation of the national accounts re-basing, base 2000, determines the need to introduce further adjustment in the Nomenclature.

Pursuant to the powers delegated to it by the plenary session of the Council in paragraph 2 (j) of Deliberation No 140 of the Council, Annex E, **the *Secção Permanente de Planeamento, Coordenação e Difusão* (Standing Section of Macroeconomic Statistics)**, at its meeting of 14 July 2003, **decides to approve, for utilisation within the scope of the National Statistical System as regards National Accounts base 2000, the Nomenclature of Branches and Products**, in annex to this Deliberation and forming an integral part thereof.

Lisbon, 14 July 2003

The Nomenclature of Branches and Products will be available in hard copy and in file format, at Statistics Portugal, as well as on its website, as soon as information is released on base 2000.

The Chairman of the Section, *Pedro Telhado Pereira*

The Executive Secretary of the Statistical Council, *Maria Margarida Lobo da Conceição Madaleno*