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Methodological development and harmonization of transport statistics

Classification system for transport statistics

Note by the secretariat

I. Mandate

1. The Working Party on Transport Statistics (WP.6), at its sixty-second session, invited the secretariat, the representatives of France, Netherlands and Eurostat to prepare for the present session a draft of short designations at the 2 digit level (ECE/TRANS/WP.6/161, para. 12).

II. Proposal

2. The Working Party may wish to discuss and adopt the short descriptions contained in the table below as proposed by France and amended by the Netherlands.

<i>Division</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Description (short)</i>
01	Products of agriculture, hunting, and forestry; fish and other fishing products	Products of agriculture, forestry and fishery Products of agriculture, hunting, forestry and fishery
02	Coal and lignite; crude petroleum and natural gas	Coal and lignite; crude petroleum and natural gas
03	Metal ores and other mining and quarrying products; peat; uranium and thorium	Ores, peat and other mining and quarrying products
04	Food products, beverages and tobacco	Food products, beverages and tobacco
05	Textiles and textile products; leather and leather products	Textiles, leather and products thereof
06	Wood and products of wood and cork (except furniture); articles of straw and plaiting materials; pulp, paper and paper products; printed matter and recorded media	Wooden articles, paper, pulp and printed matter Wood, paper, pulp and publishing products
07	Coke and refined petroleum products	Coke and refined petroleum products
08	Chemicals, chemical products, and man-made fibers; rubber and plastic products ; nuclear fuel	Chemicals, fibers, rubber and nuclear fuel Chemicals, rubber, plastic and nuclear fuel
09	Other non-metallic mineral products	Other non-metallic mineral products
10	Basic metals; fabricated metal products, except machinery and equipment	Basic metals ; fabricated metal products
11	Machinery and equipment n.e.c.; office machinery and computers; electrical machinery and apparatus n.e.c.; radio, television and communication equipment and apparatus; medical, precision and optical instruments; watches and clocks	Machinery and equipment; consumer electronics etc Machinery and equipment n.e.c ; ICT's products and precision instruments <i>(shorter version: to keep the length of the text below 50 positions)</i>
12	Transport equipment	Transport equipment
13	Furniture; other manufactured goods n.e.c.	Furniture; other manufactured goods n.e.c.
14	Secondary raw materials; municipal wastes and other wastes	Secondary raw materials; wastes <i>(The concept of waste is evolving. Nowadays, waste is considered as a raw material for reprocessing or as a fuel. This group consists of metal scrap, processed glass, waste paper for recycling.)</i>

<i>Division</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Description (short)</i>
15	Mail, parcels	Mail, parcels
16	Equipment and material utilized in the transport of goods	Equipment utilized in the transport of goods
17	Goods moved in the course of household and office removals; baggage and articles accompanying travelers; motor vehicles being moved for repair; other non-market goods n.e.c.	Removal goods ; baggage and non-market goods Removal and non-market goods, baggage and vehicles for repair
18	Grouped goods: a mixture of types of goods which are transported together	Grouped goods
19	Unidentifiable goods: goods which for any reason cannot be identified and therefore cannot be assigned to groups 01-16	Unidentifiable goods
20	Other goods n.e.c.	Other goods n.e.c.