

**COMMISSION IMPLEMENTING REGULATION (EU) 2023/1472****of 17 July 2023****amending Regulation (EC) No 1055/2008 as regards the frequency with which the Member States supply their quality report****(Text with EEA relevance)**

THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Regulation (EC) No 184/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 12 January 2005 on Community statistics concerning balance of payments, international trade in services and foreign direct investment <sup>(1)</sup>, and in particular Article 4(3) thereof,

Whereas:

- (1) The quality assessment of the data in the field of balance of payments (BOP) statistics, international investment position (IIP) statistics, international trade in services statistics and foreign direct investment statistics is performed in accordance with Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council <sup>(2)</sup>. Furthermore, Commission Regulation (EC) No 1055/2008 <sup>(3)</sup> sets out the quality criteria and content and frequency of the quality reports.
- (2) Monitoring of quality of data is critical and it should be carried out in a timely manner. The right balance should be achieved between the need for monitoring and the frequency of the reporting of the relevant information to the European Parliament and the Council in order to avoid disproportionate burden.
- (3) The annual frequency with which the Member States provide the Commission (Eurostat) with a quality report should therefore be changed to biennial reporting.
- (4) Member States should submit their next quality report to the Commission (Eurostat) not later than 31 May 2025, and then every two years.
- (5) Regulation (EC) No 1055/2008 should therefore be amended accordingly.
- (6) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the European Statistical System Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

*Article 1*

Regulation (EC) No 1055/2008 is amended as follows:

- (a) Article 1 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 1*

As from the year 2025 and starting that year, Member States shall supply on a biennial basis a quality report drawn up in accordance with the rules laid down in the Annex.;

<sup>(1)</sup> OJ L 35, 8.2.2005, p. 23.

<sup>(2)</sup> Regulation (EC) No 223/2009 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 11 March 2009 on European statistics and repealing Regulation (EC, Euratom) No 1101/2008 of the European Parliament and of the Council on the transmission of data subject to statistical confidentiality to the Statistical Office of the European Communities, Council Regulation (EC) No 322/97 on Community Statistics, and Council Decision 89/382/EEC, Euratom establishing a Committee on the Statistical Programmes of the European Communities (OJ L 87, 31.3.2009, p. 164).

<sup>(3)</sup> Commission Regulation (EC) No 1055/2008 of 27 October 2008 implementing Regulation (EC) No 184/2005 of the European Parliament and of the Council, as regards quality criteria and quality reporting for balance of payments statistics (OJ L 283, 28.10.2008, p. 3).

(b) Article 2 is replaced by the following:

*'Article 2*

Member States shall supply their quality report not later than 31 May every second year';

(c) the Annex is replaced by the text in the Annex to this Regulation.

*Article 2*

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 17 July 2023.

*For the Commission*  
*The President*  
Ursula VON DER LEYEN

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ANNEX

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### 1. Introduction

The quality report shall contain both quantitative and qualitative indicators of quality. The Commission (Eurostat) shall provide the results of the quantitative indicators for each Member State, calculated on the basis of data provided. Member States shall interpret and comment on them, in the light of their collection methodology.

### 2. Timeline

- Every second year, by the end of the first quarter, the Commission (Eurostat) shall supply the Member States with draft documents for quality reports, based on data sent the previous year, partially pre-filled with most of the quantitative indicators and other information available to the Commission (Eurostat).
- Every second year, within two months of receiving the pre-filled quality report and not later than 31 May, Member States shall supply the Commission (Eurostat) with the completed quality report.

### 3. Quality criteria

The quality report shall contain quantitative and qualitative indicators covering all the quality criteria set out in Article 12(1) of Regulation (EC) No 223/2009.’

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