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Division for external trade statistics

Accompanying letter related to the reporting of External trade in services and purchase and sale of goods outside of Norway (RA-0692)

In this accompanying letter we will inform you about adjustments that have been made in reporting on external trade, with effect from the report for the first quarter of 2019 (1/1/2019 – 31/3/2019).

New name for the survey

The survey will also capture merchandise trade abroad where the goods do not cross the Norwegian border, and we have changed the survey's name from External trade in services to:

- External trade in services and purchase and sale of goods outside of Norway (RA-0692)

New business areas and types of services

We have introduced a new business area to cover the following goods transactions outside of Norway:

- CPA-code 000098 «Purchase of goods/materials for processing abroad and sale of goods after processing abroad»
- CPA-code 519000 «Purchase and resale of goods abroad - Merchanting»

We will also emphasize that goods and materials purchased abroad must be included in the reporting for the following types of services:

- CPA-code 000091 «Installation and assembly»
- CPA-code 000092 «Repairs and maintenance»
- CPA-code 000093 «Rebuilding and outfitting»
- CPA-code 000099 «Contractual processing of goods and other industrial services»
- CPA-code 450001 «Building and construction activities regarding building of fixed installations abroad»
- CPA-code 450002 «Building and construction activities regarding building of fixed installations in Norway»

Furthermore, within the area of IT services, we have introduced a new service type:

- CPA code 720000 «IT-related license fees»

The Altinn form

There are two new questions regarding exports and imports:

Exports - Has the enterprise had income related to sales of goods abroad where the goods have not crossed the Norwegian border during the reporting period? This question must be answered with **Yes** or **No**.

Imports - Has the enterprise had expenses related to purchases of goods abroad where the goods have not crossed the Norwegian border, during the reporting period? This question must be answered with **Yes** or **No**.

Updated guidelines are available on the survey's web page:

<https://www.ssb.no/en/innrapportering/naeringsliv/tjh>