

**Comments on draft SNA chapter:  
Chapter 6: The production account**

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**Part I: General comments**

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**Part II: Comments on specific draft paragraphs or passages**

In your review of draft chapter 6, you may wish to devote particular attention to the passages listed below. There is space after each issue for any comment you wish to make.

1. In section B, the text extends the definition of services to cover margin services explicitly. Is this a useful extension? This section also is more precise about products

capturing knowledge, some of which have many of the characteristics of goods. Is this precision useful?

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2. Section D now discusses GDP as derived from the production account only. The expenditure based estimate and the relationship between this, the income based estimate of GDP and the production based measure are now discussed in chapter 14 after the components of the other estimates have been discussed in the accounts where they occur. Do you agree to this placement of the material on the alternative estimates of GDP?

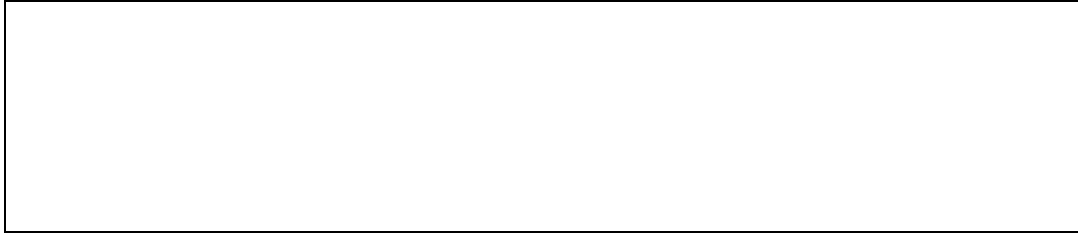
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3. The AEG recommended that goods sent abroad for processing should be recorded without imputing a change of ownership when no change actually happened. They further recommended that the same principle should be adopted for processing of goods by another resident unit. Does the text in section E reflect this recommendation adequately?

*Comment:*

We regard that the text contains above principle appropriately.



4. Section E introduces the recommended change in terminology for kinds of production. Market production covers production for sale (short-hand term that includes other deliveries also) and for own use; non-market production relates only to production by general government and NPISHs. Is the resulting text sufficiently clear?

*Comment:*

We don't think that the resulting text is clear adequately to show change in the terminology. We think that non-market output should be also divided into "output for sale" and "output for own use".

5. The output of the central bank is described in a stand-alone subsection of section F. Is the resulting text sufficiently clear on the proposals for compiling and allocating monetary policy services and financial intermediation services provided by the central bank?

*Comment:*

In case of accounting the output of monetary policy services by input approach, the costs for financial intermediation services should be separated from that of monetary policy services. We suggest to set up labor costs used for each services as a standard to divide the cost by type of the output of central bank.

6. In section F, new text has been provided for the financial services. Is this text accurate and clear? This part of the text has been extended to include margins as well

as FISIM and insurance charges. Are there any comments on this extension? (Further material will be added when chapter 17 is posted).

*Comment:*

Recommendations about margins in the financial services are clear and accurate.

7. Section G has a brief discussion of leasing, leaving the main discussion for chapter 17 on cross-cutting issues. Is the discussion here adequate in the context of chapter 6?

*Comment:*

It is adequate

8. The discussion of consumption of fixed capital, in section H, is reduced from that in the 1993 SNA. The previous recommendations have been superseded; fuller discussion will appear in chapter 19 on capital services. Is the discussion in chapter 6 adequate in this content?

*Comment:*

It is adequate

### **Part III. Other specific comments**

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It should be described what is “clearly specified circumstances” in b of output definition(6.85, chapter6)

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