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- a) The team endorse the revision of the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities, Revision 4; to solve these issues:
- Intermediaries and Digital intermediaries.
- Retail and wholesale through electronic stores for all goods) need to clarify them in a separate category due to the expansion of electronic commerce at the present time).
- Limited categories in the wholesale and retail sector at the fourth level
- There is no separate class for logistical activities.
- Classification of Factoryless goods producers.
- There is no clear distinction between the activities of selling raw natural gas and the gas consumed in hospitals and factories or for purposes of domestic consumption.
- New activities:
- Drones.
- Fintech.
- Robotics.
- Artificial intelligence.
- Cloud technologies.
- Online education.
- Cybersecurity.

b) The team suggest that the revision be made in line with the intended revision in the ISIC4.

- c) We support this change and hope that the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia will be invited to participate in the meetings of the International Statistical Classifications Committee.
- d) We support and appreciate the work.

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