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Thank you Chair,

Distinguished delegates, Australia thanks the Statistics Division for this report of the Committee of Experts on International Statistical Classifications.

Australia endorses the draft revised structure for the International Standard Industrial Classification of All Economic Activities, revision 4 (ISIC).

Australia notes the progress of work on the revision of the Central Product Classification (CPC).

Australia would prefer to see the outcomes of the further research, noted in paragraph 65 of the Statistical Manual on the Classification of Business Functions (CBF), before endorsing this classification. ABS holds concerns for the practical implementation of this classification, as noted in our submission to the 2021 global consultation on the CBF. In the current environment, the ABS will be unable to report data underpinned by this classification.

Australia supports the Initiation of the revision of the Standard International Energy Product Classification (SIEC) in conjunction with the CPC revision.

Australia appreciates the important work of the Committee to lead the development and maintenance of international statistical classifications. We note the important role of the Committee to coordinate with other research and development programs across the international statistical agenda.

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