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To: All National Statistical Offices

Dear Madam/Sir,

As part of our work to enhance the availability of statistical data on e-commerce and the digital economy for evidence-based digital economy policies, UNCTAD is contacting national statistical offices to request the latest available statistics on the use of ICTs by enterprises and on the ICT sector. This information will feature in the UNCTAD statistical portal (<u>http://unctadstat.unctad.org/</u>) and in its analytical work in this area.

We would be grateful if your office could download and fill out a questionnaire to provide us with the most recent data on e-commerce and the digital economy available in your country. The questionnaire can be downloaded from the following webpage: <u>https://unctad.org/topic/ecommerce-and-digital-economy/measuring-ecommerce-digital-economy/questionnaire</u>

The completed questionnaire, as well as any additional information, should be sent to:

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We would appreciate receiving your contribution by **31 October 2021**. If you wish to supply us with data from two or more years, we request that a separate questionnaire is provided for each reference year.

The requested data are in accordance with the core list of ICT indicators proposed by the *Partnership on Measuring ICT for Development* and endorsed by the United Nations Statistical Commission. The UNCTAD *Manual for the Production of Statistics on the Digital Economy* has further information on the *Partnership*, on the core list of ICT indicators, and on methodological guidelines. The Manual is available at https://unctad.org/webflyer/manual-production-statistics-digital-economy-2020.

We thank you in advance for your help in this important data collection exercise.

Sincerely,

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