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THE EUROPEAN COMMISSION,

Having regard to the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EC) No 577/98 of 9 March 1998 on the organisation of a labour force sample survey in the Community[(1)], and in particular Article 7a(5) thereof,

Whereas:

(1) The EU has a long-standing commitment to promoting work-life balance. Minimum standards in this field are set out through Directives on Maternity Leave[(2)] and Parental Leave[(3)]. The EU has likewise set targets to improve the provision of childcare with the Barcelona Objectives, and Country-Specific Recommendations in the area of work-life balance have also been issued in the European Semester 2016.

(2) In its work programme 2016[(4)], the Commission sets out its plans to develop an initiative addressing the work-life balance challenges faced by parents and carers.

(3) Monitoring the challenges of work-life balance and progress in this area is therefore essential and improved data collection is likewise important.

(4) Commission Regulation (EU) No 318/2013[(5)] establishes an ad hoc module on reconciliation between work and family life.

(5) Commission Delegated Regulation (EU) No 1397/2014[(6)] specifies and describes the areas of specialised information (‘ad hoc sub-modules’) to be included in the 2018 ad hoc module on reconciliation between work and family life.

(6) The Commission should specify the technical characteristics, filters, codes and the deadline for the transmission of data under the ad hoc module on reconciliation between work and family life.

(7) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the European Statistical System Committee,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

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Article 1

The technical characteristics of the 2018 ad hoc module on reconciliation between work and family life, the filters, the codes to be used and the deadline by which the results shall be sent to the Commission are laid down in the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the twentieth day following that of its publication in the *Official Journal of the European Union*.

This Regulation shall be binding in its entirety and directly applicable in all Member States.

Done at Brussels, 12 December 2016.

For the Commission

The President

Jean-Claude JUNCKER

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ANNEX

This Annex sets out the technical characteristics, filters and codes to be used in the ad hoc module on reconciliation between work and family life scheduled to be carried out in 2018. It also sets the dates for submission of data to the Commission.

Deadline for transmission of the results to the Commission: 31 March 2019.

Filters and codes to be used for sending data: as set out in Annex III to Commission Regulation (EC) No 377/2008[7].

Columns reserved for optional weighting factors, to be used in cases of subsampling or non-response: columns 223-226 containing whole numbers and columns 227-228 containing decimal places.

(1) **Sub-module 1: Care responsibilities**

Name/Column	**Code**	**Description**	**Filter**
CARERES		**Existence of care responsibilities**	AGE = 18-64
211		*Caring regularly for own or partner's children (< 15 years) or for incapacitated relatives (15 years and older)*	
	1	No care responsibilities	
	2	Only for own or partner's children in household	
	3	Only for own or partner's children outside the household	
	4	For own or partner's children in- and outside the household	
	5	Only for incapacitated relatives	
	6	For own or partner's children in the household and incapacitated relatives	
	7	For own or partner's children outside the household	

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		and incapacitated relatives	
	8	For own or partner's children in- and outside the household and incapacitated relatives	
	9	Not applicable (not included in the filter)	
	Blank	No answer/Don't know	
CHCARUSE		**Use of childcare services**	CARERES = 2-4,6-8
212		*Use of professional childcare services for some or all children*	
	1	No	
	2	Yes, for some children	
	3	Yes, for all children	
	9	Not applicable (not included in the filter)	
	Blank	No answer/Don't know	
CHCAROBS		**Factors for not using childcare services**	CHCARUSE = 1,2
213/214		*Main reason for not using (more) childcare services for own or partner's children*	
	01	No service accessible/vacant	
	02	Costs	
	03	Quality/kind of service	
	04	Other service related obstacle	

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	05	Care is arranged alone/with partner	
	06	Care is arranged including further informal support	
	07	Used professional services (for some but not for all children) are sufficient	
	08	Children take care of themselves	
	09	Other personal reasons	
	99	Not applicable (not included in the filter)	
	Blank	No answer/Don't know	
CHCAREFF		**Effect of childcare responsibilities on employment**	CARERES = 2-4,6-8 and WSTATOR = 1,2
215		*Main way employed persons adapted their work to facilitate childcare responsibilities*	
	1	Any change to increase income	
	2	Less working hours	
	3	Less demanding tasks in job	
	4	Changed job or employer to facilitate reconciliation	
	5	Currently on a family leave	
	6	Other	
	7	No effect	
	9	Not applicable (not included in the filter)	
	Blank	No answer/Don't know	