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## Mandatory Quarterly Survey of Financial Services Transactions between U.S. Financial Services Providers and Foreign Persons (BE-185) Second Quarter 2021: Due August 16, 2021

The Bureau of Economic Analysis (BEA) is conducting the Quarterly Survey of Financial Services Transactions between U.S. Financial Services Providers and Foreign Persons (BE-185) for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter of 2021.

The Quarterly Survey of Financial Services Transactions between U.S. Financial Services Providers and Foreign Persons is a mandatory survey that collects data on U.S. financial services providers' transactions with foreign persons for use in estimating the international transactions accounts of the United States. The information collected will be used to help support U.S. international economic policy and to analyze the impact of that policy and the policies of foreign countries on international trade in services. The information collected will be kept CONFIDENTIAL and can only be used for statistical purposes.

The deadline for submitting the BE-185 survey form is August 16, 2021. A response is required whether or not you have transactions to report. If you do not have transactions to report, please complete the form through the exemption claim and submit it to BEA.

To ensure that your report is received as soon as possible, please consider filing electronically using our **eFile** system (*www.bea.gov/efile*) or faxing your response to us at (301) 278-9508.

For assistance, please contact BEA staff at *be-185help@bea.gov*, (301) 278-9303, or send us a message through BEA's Secure Messaging System by logging into our eFile system at *www.bea.gov/efile*. Forms, reporting requirements, and FAQs are available at *www.bea.gov/ssb*. Forms can also be obtained via autoreply by sending a blank email to *be-185@bea.gov*.

Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated. Your response makes a difference in producing accurate and objective statistics on the U.S. economy, including the U.S. gross domestic product (GDP).

Sincerely,

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