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QUARTERLY BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, SECOND QUARTER 2017



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Balance of Payments, Q2 2017

In Q2 2017, **Current Account Balance** recorded a higher surplus of **RM9.6 billion**

Current Account Balance	Financial Account	Reserve Assets
Surplus RM 9.6b Supported by improvement in Goods Account	Net Inflow RM 7.3b Contributed by net inflow in Portfolio Investment	Increased RM 2.7b Amounted to RM424.8b

MAIN CONTRIBUTORS FOR CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE

GOODS	SERVICES	INCOME
Higher surplus RM27.0b 	Lower deficit RM5.0b ... mainly contributed by  Travel  Other Business Services  Construction	Lower deficit RM8.2b ... on Primary Income 

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT PERFORMANCE

DIRECT INVESTMENT	PORTFOLIO INVESTMENT	FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES	OTHER INVESTMENT
Net Outflow RM7.1b	Net Inflow RM16.0b	Net Outflow RM0.3b	Net Outflow RM1.3b

FDI & DIA PERFORMANCE



OVERALL BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

In the second quarter of 2017, Malaysia's Balance of Payments recorded a higher surplus of RM9.6 billion in current account as compared to RM5.3 billion in the previous quarter. Meanwhile, financial account recorded a net inflow of RM7.3 billion from a net outflow of RM8.8 billion. The international reserves of Bank Negara Malaysia increased by RM2.7 billion in Q2 2017 (Q1 2017: decreased by RM1.8 billion).

CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE

The current account balance increased by RM4.4 billion from previous quarter mainly contributed by higher surplus in goods accounts of RM27.0 billion. Meanwhile, services account and primary income also contributed by registering lower deficit of RM5.0 billion and RM8.2 billion respectively.

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT

The financial account switched to net inflow of RM7.3 billion from net outflow of RM8.8 billion mainly due to a reversal of portfolio investment to net inflow RM16.0 billion (Q1 2017: net outflow RM31.9 billion). As for direct investment flows, Direct Investment Abroad (DIA) posted a higher net outflow of RM15.4 billion (Q1 2017: net outflow RM8.7 billion), while Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Malaysia recorded a net inflow of RM8.3 billion (Q1 2017: net inflow RM17.0 billion).

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