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***Exports Posted the Twelfth Consecutive Month of Expansion,
Increased by 18.4 per cent to RM95.6 billion in August 2021***

PUTRAJAYA, September 28, 2021 – Malaysia’s trade performance continued the positive momentum in August 2021 with trade increasing by 15.7 per cent from RM146.7 billion in August 2020 to RM169.8 billion. Exports back to register a faster growth than import, expanding by 18.4 per cent to RM95.6 billion year-on-year (y-o-y). Imports increased by 12.5 per cent to RM74.2 billion, driven by capital goods with a growth of 22.9 per cent as reported today in **MALAYSIA EXTERNAL TRADE STATISTICS BULLETIN, AUGUST 2021**. This report also presents the performance of imports and exports by product and trading partner.

Chief Statistician Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin said “Malaysia’s exports in August 2021 posted a double-digit growth of 18.4 per cent y-o-y, supported by both domestic exports and re-exports. This was the twelfth consecutive month of y-o-y expansion since September 2020. Domestic exports stood at RM79.1 billion and contributed 82.7 per cent to total exports, expanded by 18.7 per cent. On the same note, re-exports with a value of RM16.5 billion, grew by 16.7 per cent y-o-y. Imports in August 2021 totaled RM74.2 billion, continued to register a growth of 12.5 per cent or RM8.2 billion and trade surplus surged by 44.7 per cent to RM21.4 billion. However, as a consequence of the slowdown in domestic economic activity, the month-on-month performance of total trade, exports and imports showed declines of 6.1 per cent, 1.8 per cent and 11.2 per cent, respectively. In contrast, trade surplus increased by 55.5 per cent.

In conjunction to the annual growth, 159 out of 255 commodity groups for exports showed increases as compared to the previous year. As for imports, 155 of 257 groups posted positive growths.”

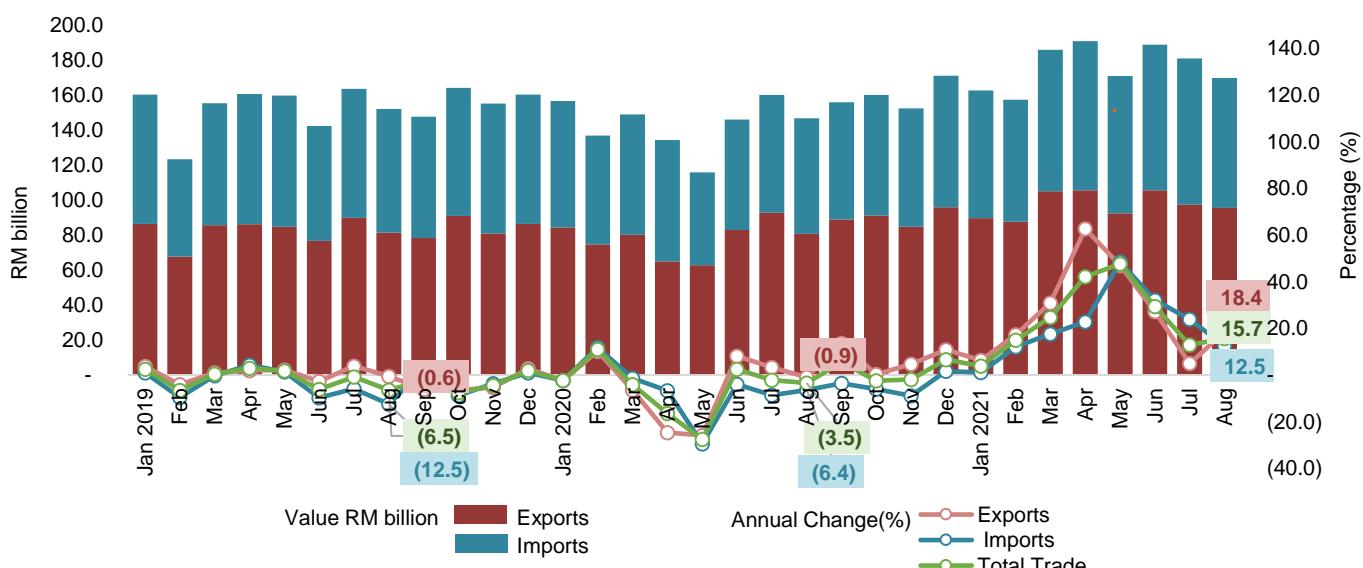
The Department of Statistics Malaysia also reported that the rise in exports was attributable mainly to the higher exports to Singapore (+RM2.4 billion), Japan (+RM1.8 billion), the United States (+RM1.2 billion), Indonesia (+RM1.1 billion), Hong Kong (+RM1.0 billion), Australia (+RM825.8 million) and China (+RM814.8 million). Meanwhile, China continued to be the major contributor to the increase in imports (+RM3.2 billion), followed by Indonesia (+RM1.7 billion), the European Union (+RM1.5 billion), Republic of Korea (+RM1.5 billion) and Japan (+RM759.5 million).

The expansion in exports was driven by petroleum products (+RM2.6 billion); electrical & electronic products (+RM2.2 billion); chemical & chemical products (+RM2.2 billion); manufacture of metal (+RM1.9 billion); liquefied natural gas (+RM1.9 billion); palm oil & palm oil-based agriculture products (+RM1.4 billion) and palm oil-based manufactured products (+RM1.1 billion). Meanwhile, the rise in imports were noted for electrical & electronic products (+RM3.3 billion); chemical & chemical products (+RM2.1 billion); iron & steel products (+RM1.1 billion) and petroleum products (+RM1.0 billion).

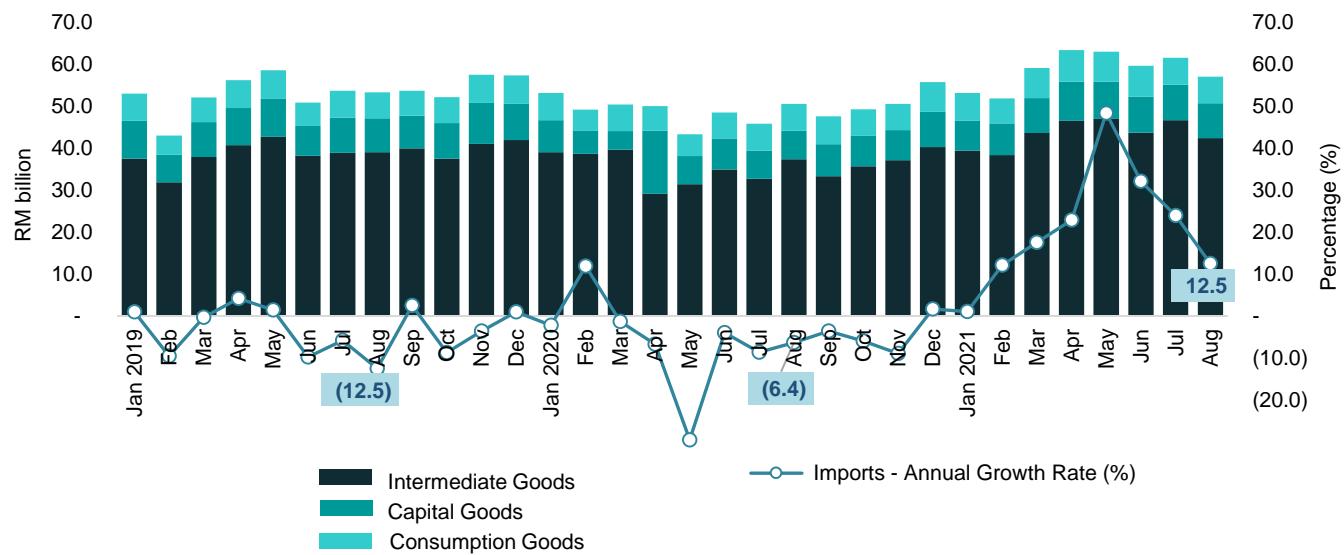
On the same note, expansion in imports by End Use sustained by higher demand primarily for intermediate goods and capital goods. Imports of intermediate goods (57.1% of the total imports) totaled RM42.4 billion, increased by RM5.0 billion or 13.4 per cent. Capital goods (11.2% of total imports) registered an increase of 22.9 per cent from RM6.8 billion in the preceding year to RM8.3 billion. Imports of consumption goods which amounted to RM6.4 billion, decreased marginally by 0.6 per cent as compared to August 2020, and comprised of 8.6 per cent of total imports.

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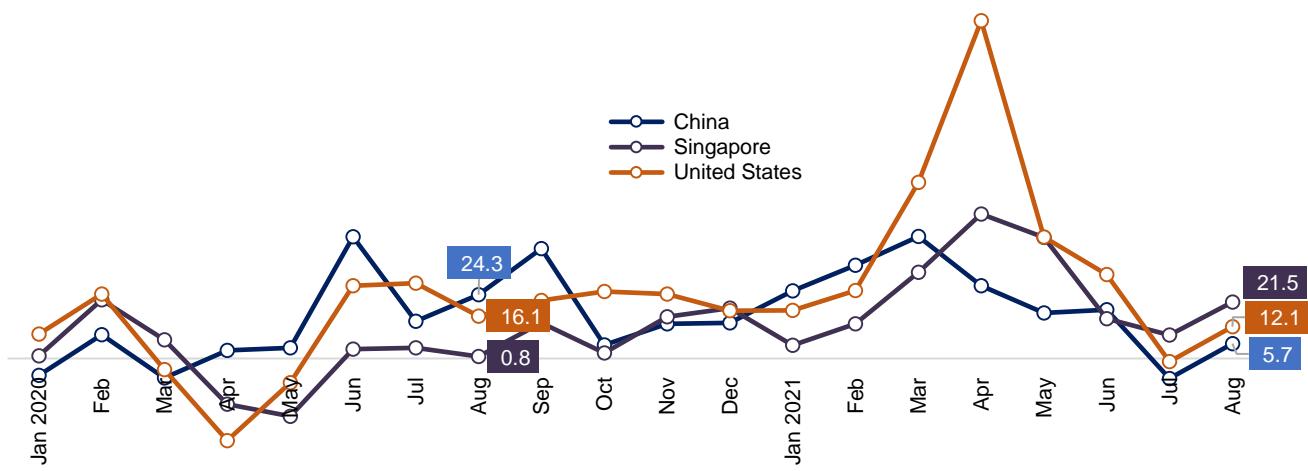
**Chart 1: External Trade Statistics, Jan 2019 – Aug 2021
(Value and Annual Percentage Change)**



*Chart 2: Imports for End Use & Broad Economic Categories (BEC) Classification,
Jan 2019 – Aug 2021
(Value and Annual Percentage Change)*



*Chart 3: Performance of Exports for Major Trading Partners, Jan 2020 – Aug 2021
(Annual Percentage Change)*



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BAGI PERANGKAAN PERDAGANGAN LUAR NEGERI
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**Eksport Mencatatkan Pertumbuhan Kedua Belas Bulan Berturut-turut,
Meningkat 18.4 peratus kepada RM95.6 bilion pada Ogos 2021**

PUTRAJAYA, 28 SEPTEMBER 2021 – Prestasi dagangan Malaysia mengekalkan momentum positif pada Ogos 2021 dengan jumlah dagangan meningkat 15.7 peratus daripada RM146.7 bilion pada Ogos 2020 kepada RM169.8 bilion. Eksport kembali mencatat pertumbuhan yang lebih tinggi berbanding import, berkembang 18.4 peratus kepada RM95.6 bilion tahun ke tahun. Import meningkat 12.5 peratus kepada RM74.2 bilion, dipacu oleh barang modal yang bertumbuh 22.9 peratus sebagai mana dilaporkan dalam **BULETIN PERANGKAAN PERDAGANGAN LUAR NEGERI MALAYSIA, OGOS 2021** hari ini. Laporan ini turut memaparkan prestasi import dan eksport mengikut produk dan rakan dagangan.

Ketua Perangkawan Malaysia, Dato' Sri Dr. Mohd Uzir Mahidin berkata "Eksport Malaysia pada Ogos 2021 mencatat pertumbuhan dua digit 18.4 peratus tahun ke tahun, disokong oleh eksport domestik dan eksport semula. Ini adalah peningkatan tahun ke tahun kedua belas bulan berturut-turut sejak September 2020. Eksport domestik berjumlah RM79.1 bilion dan menyumbang 82.7 peratus kepada jumlah eksport, meningkat 18.7 peratus. Di samping itu, eksport semula dengan nilai RM16.5 bilion, meningkat 16.7 peratus tahun ke tahun. Import Malaysia pada Ogos 2021 berjumlah RM74.2 bilion, terus mencatatkan pertumbuhan 12.5 peratus atau RM8.2 bilion dan lebihan dagangan melonjak 44.7 peratus kepada RM21.4 bilion. Seiring dengan aktiviti ekonomi dalam negara yang perlakuan, prestasi bulan ke bulan bagi jumlah dagangan, eksport dan import menunjukkan penurunan masing-masing 6.1 peratus, 1.8 peratus dan 11.2 peratus. Sebaliknya, lebihan dagangan meningkat 55.5 peratus.

Selaras dengan pertumbuhan tahunan, 159 daripada 255 kumpulan barang untuk eksport menunjukkan peningkatan berbanding tahun sebelumnya. Bagi import, 155 daripada 257 kumpulan merekodkan pertumbuhan positif."

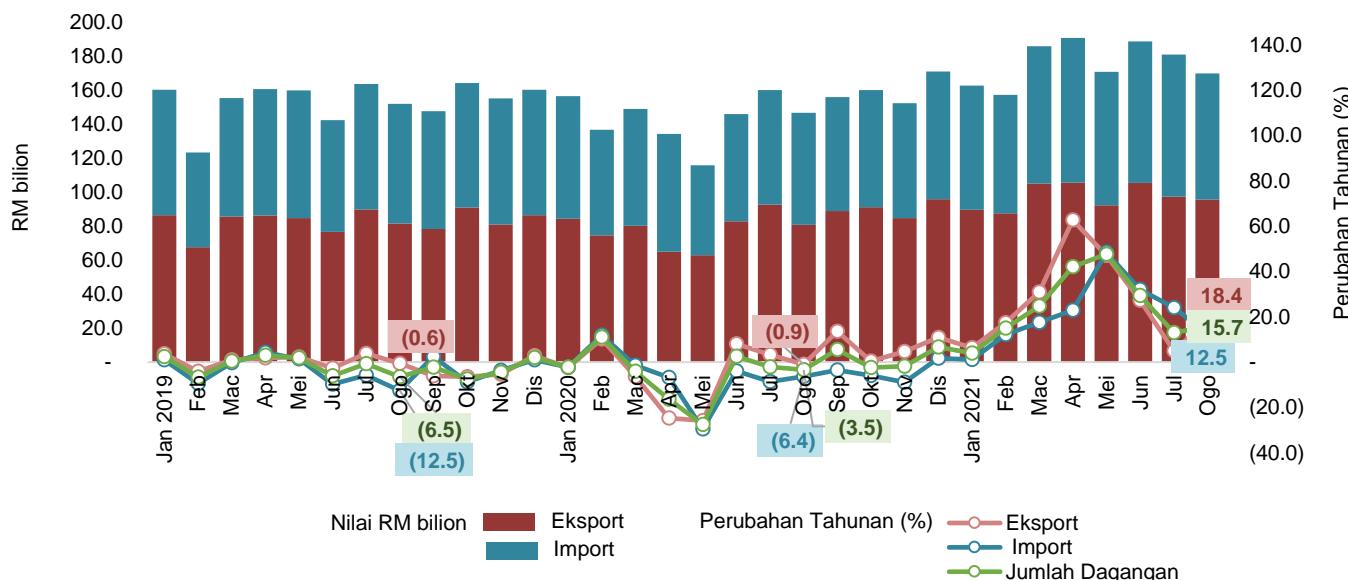
Jabatan Perangkaan Malaysia juga melaporkan bahawa peningkatan eksport disumbangkan terutamanya oleh eksport yang lebih tinggi ke Singapura (+RM2.4 bilion), Jepun (+RM1.8 bilion), Amerika Syarikat (+RM1.2 bilion), Indonesia (+RM1.1 bilion), Hong Kong (+RM1.0 bilion), Australia (+RM825.8 juta) dan China (+RM814.8 juta). Sementara itu, China terus menjadi penyumbang utama kenaikan import (+RM3.2 bilion), diikuti oleh Indonesia (+RM1.7 bilion), Kesatuan Eropah (+RM1.5 bilion), Republik Korea (+RM1.5 bilion) dan Jepun (+RM759.5 juta).

Peningkatan eksport didorong oleh keluaran petroleum (+RM2.6 bilion); barang elektrik & elektronik (+RM2.2 bilion); kimia & bahan kimia (+RM2.2 bilion); barang perkilangan logam (+RM1.9 bilion); gas asli cecair (+RM1.9 bilion); minyak kelapa sawit & keluaran pertanian berasaskan minyak kelapa sawit (+RM1.4 bilion) dan barang perkilangan berasaskan minyak kelapa sawit (+RM1.1 bilion). Sementara itu, kenaikan import dicatatkan bagi barang elektrik & elektronik (+RM3.3 bilion); kimia & bahan kimia (+RM2.1 bilion); barang besi & keluli (+RM1.1 bilion) dan keluaran petroleum (+RM1.0 bilion).

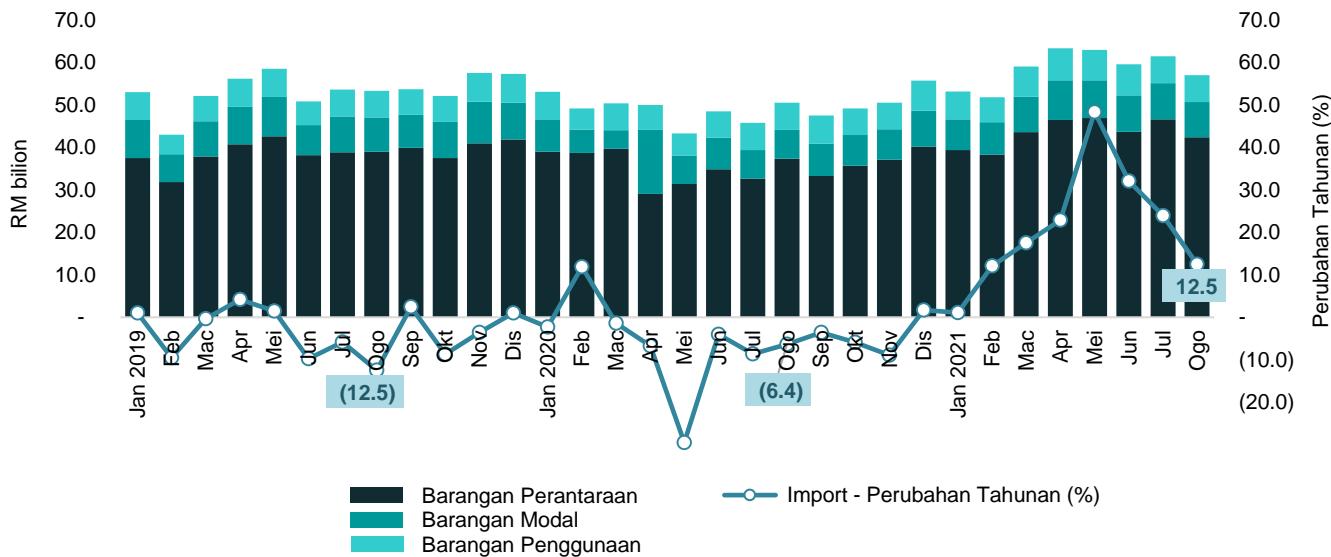
Bagi tempoh yang sama, pertumbuhan import bagi Penggunaan Akhir disokong oleh kenaikan permintaan terutamanya bagi barang perantaraan dan barang modal. Import barang perantaraan (57.1% daripada jumlah import) berjumlah RM42.4 bilion, meningkat ketara RM5.0 bilion atau 13.4 peratus. Barang modal (11.2% daripada jumlah import) mencatatkan kenaikan 22.9 peratus daripada RM6.8 bilion pada tahun sebelumnya kepada RM8.3 bilion. Import barang penggunaan yang berjumlah RM6.4 bilion, menurun sedikit 0.6 peratus berbanding Ogos 2020, dan merangkumi 8.6 peratus daripada jumlah import.

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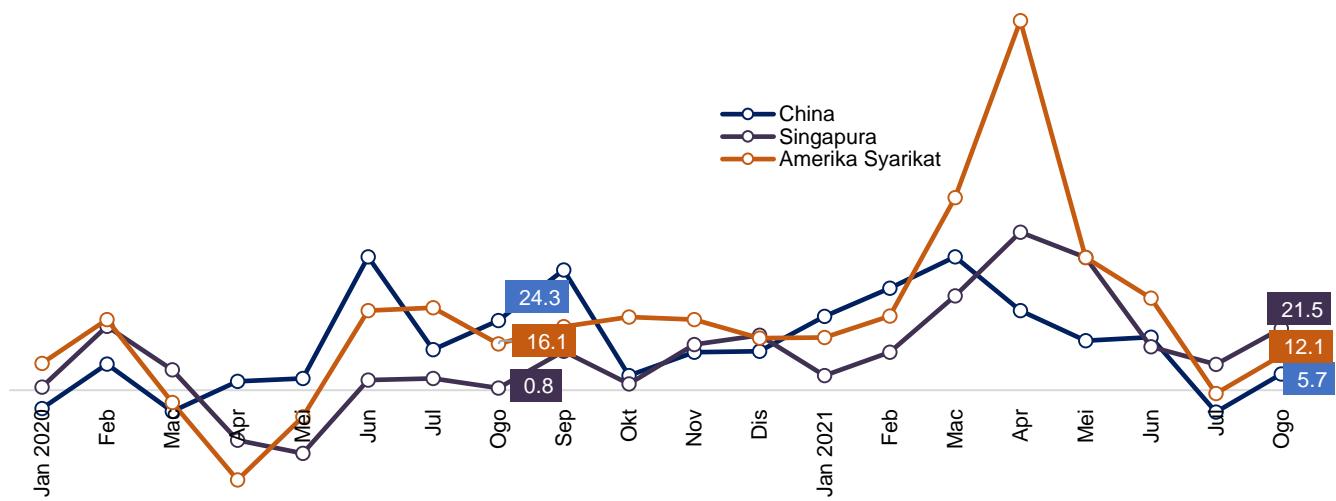
**Carta 1: Perangkaan Perdagangan Luar Negeri, Jan 2019 – Ogos 2021
(Nilai dan Peratus Perubahan Tahunan)**



**Carta 2: Import mengikut Klasifikasi Penggunaan Akhir & Kategori Ekonomi Umum (BEC),
Jan 2019 – Ogos 2021
(Nilai dan Peratus Perubahan Tahunan)**



**Carta 3: Prestasi Eksport mengikut Rakan Dagang Utama, Jan 2020 – Ogos 2021
(Peratus Perubahan Tahunan)**



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