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QUARTERLY BALANCE OF PAYMENTS, FOURTH QUARTER 2023

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Malaysia's Current Account Balance (CAB) posted a surplus of RM253.4 million in the fourth quarter of 2023, mainly due to wider deficit in Primary income. Meanwhile, Financial account turned around from a net inflow of RM14.9 billion in the previous quarter to a net outflow of RM19.9 billion in the fourth quarter of 2023. This reversal was due to outflows in Other investment, Portfolio investment and Financial derivatives. The international reserves stood at RM520.7 billion (as at end of Q3 2023: RM517.1 billion).

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) posted a higher net inflow of RM17.1 billion from RM7.2 billion in the preceding quarter. Direct Investment Abroad (DIA) registered a lower net outflow of RM12.4 billion as compared to RM13.4 billion in the previous quarter.

The surplus in the CAB for 2023 reached RM22.8 billion, while Financial account posted a net outflow of RM18.9 billion. FDI recorded a net inflow of RM39.5 billion while DIA posted a net outflow of RM34.9 billion.

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