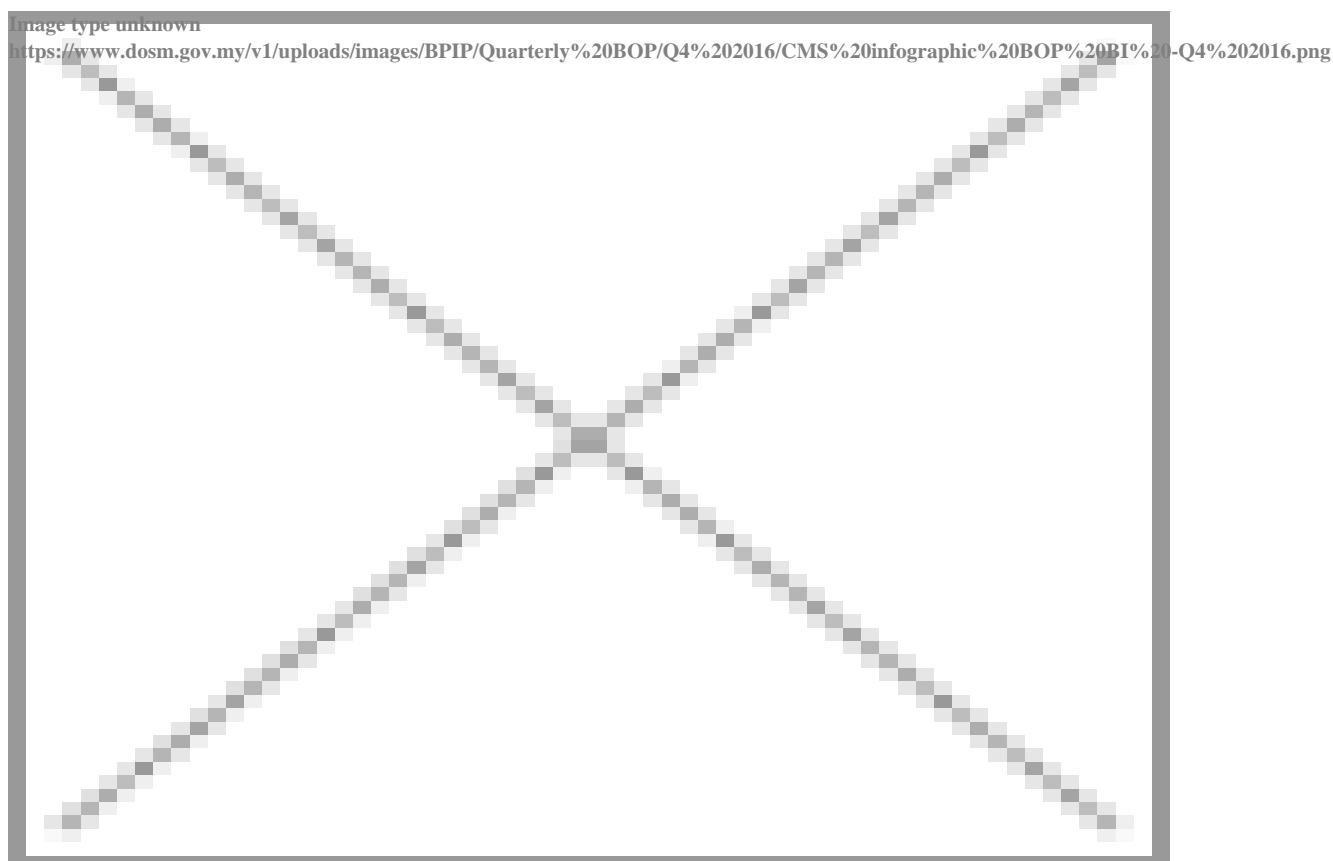




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QUARTERLY BALANCE OF PAYMENTS PERFORMANCE, FOURTH QUARTER 2016



OVERALL BALANCE OF PAYMENTS

In the fourth quarter of 2016, Malaysia's Balance of Payments recorded a surplus on current account of RM12.2 billion compared to RM6.0 billion in the previous quarter. Meanwhile, financial account posted a net outflow of RM13.2 billion (Q3 2016: net outflow RM6.3 billion) and international reserves of Bank Negara Malaysia increased by RM19.2 billion (Q3 2016: increase by RM14.6 billion).

CURRENT ACCOUNT

The higher surplus in current account balance was mainly supported by higher surplus on goods account RM31.4 billion (Q3 2016 : surplus RM26.5 billion) and lower deficit on income account RM13.1 billion (Q3 2016 : deficit RM15.4 billion).

FINANCIAL ACCOUNT

The higher net outflow in financial account mainly due to higher net outflow in portfolio investment RM22.3 billion (Q3 2016: net outflow RM10.6 billion). As for investment flows, Direct Investment Abroad (DIA) recorded net outflow of RM4.9 billion (Q3 2016: net outflow RM3.6 billion), while Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) in Malaysia posted net inflow of RM10.8 billion (Q3 2016: net inflow RM6.5 billion).

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