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Stock Market Index					
FBM KLCI: 1842.62 - 0.72%	SHANGHAI: 3256.93	• 0.07% NIKKEI: 2148	7.35+ 2.10%	DJIA: 24874.76 📤 + 1.37%	FTSE: 7115.98 0.65%
Economic Indicator	Actual	Coverage	Previous	Frequency	Data Release
Malaysia External Trade Statistics	RM156bil	Jan/18	RM151.4bil	Monthly	Mar/18

BUSINESS & ECONOMIC NEWS

LOCAL

- Petronas umum temui minyak, gas di Gabon (Utusan)
- Fintech pemangkin pertumbuhan ekonomi (Berita Harian)
- Samsung tops smartphone market in emerging Southeast Asia (NST)
- AirAsia denies Tony Fernandes' resignation (The Star)
- Malaysia trade to remain healthy, says AmBank Research (The Edge)

GLOBAL

- China's mammoth Belt and Road Initiative could increase debt risk for 8 countries (CNBC)
- Amazon wants to make it easier to shop its website without a credit card (CNBC)
- Xiaomi Set to Enter U.S. Smartphone Market as Early as This Year (Wall Street Journal)
- Microsoft Looks to Lure Health-Care Companies to Its Cloud With New Tools (Bloomberg)
- Inside the war between Spotify and Apple (CNN)

COMMENT

Malaysia External Trade Statistics January 2018

Total trade was valued at RM156.0 billion, an expansion of RM20.2 billion or 14.9% from a year ago. It also posted an increase of RM4.6 billion or 3.0% when compared to the previous month. A trade surplus of RM9.7 billion was recorded in January 2018, rising RM5.0 billion (+104.8%) from RM4.7 billion registered a year ago. When compared to the previous month, it expanded RM2.5 billion or 33.9%.

(Source: DOSM)