

# Balance of Payments

Third Quarter of 2017 and Third Quarter of 2016

In billions of U.S. dollars

|                                                      | (1)<br>2017<br>Q3 | (2)<br>2016<br>Q3 | (1)-(2)      |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>A. Current Account</b>                            | <b>20.51</b>      | <b>16.24</b>      | <b>4.27</b>  |
| Goods : credit ( exports )                           | 91.62             | 77.60             | 14.02        |
| Goods : debit ( imports )                            | 68.72             | 60.60             | 8.13         |
| <i>Balance on Goods</i>                              | <i>22.90</i>      | <i>17.01</i>      | <i>5.89</i>  |
| Services : credit ( exports )                        | 11.42             | 10.11             | 1.31         |
| Services : debit ( imports )                         | 15.06             | 13.88             | 1.19         |
| <i>Balance on Services</i>                           | <i>-3.65</i>      | <i>-3.77</i>      | <i>0.12</i>  |
| Primary Income : credit                              | 8.86              | 8.01              | 0.85         |
| Primary Income : debit                               | 6.33              | 4.10              | 2.23         |
| <i>Balance on Primary Income</i>                     | <i>2.53</i>       | <i>3.91</i>       | <i>-1.38</i> |
| Secondary Income : credit                            | 1.73              | 1.64              | 0.09         |
| Secondary Income : debit                             | 3.00              | 2.55              | 0.44         |
| <i>Balance on Secondary Income</i>                   | <i>-1.27</i>      | <i>-0.91</i>      | <i>-0.35</i> |
| <b>B. Capital Account</b>                            | <b>0.00</b>       | <b>0.00</b>       | <b>0.00</b>  |
| <b>C. Financial Account</b>                          | <b>16.93</b>      | <b>13.45</b>      | <b>3.47</b>  |
| Direct investment : assets                           | 3.08              | 4.41              | -1.33        |
| Equity and investment fund shares                    | 3.11              | 3.51              | -0.40        |
| Debt instruments                                     | -0.04             | 0.90              | -0.94        |
| Direct investment : liabilities                      | 1.12              | 0.20              | 0.91         |
| Equity and investment fund shares                    | 1.14              | 0.10              | 1.04         |
| Debt instruments                                     | -0.02             | 0.10              | -0.12        |
| Portfolio investment : assets                        | 22.97             | 24.67             | -1.71        |
| Equity and investment fund shares                    | 7.03              | 5.81              | 1.21         |
| Debt securities                                      | 15.94             | 18.86             | -2.92        |
| Portfolio investment : liabilities                   | -10.31            | 2.87              | -13.18       |
| Equity and investment fund shares                    | -9.92             | 2.73              | -12.65       |
| Debt securities                                      | -0.38             | 0.14              | -0.52        |
| Financial derivatives : assets                       | -2.50             | -2.41             | -0.09        |
| Financial derivatives : liabilities                  | -1.31             | -2.29             | 0.98         |
| Other investment : assets                            | 0.75              | -1.68             | 2.43         |
| Other investment : liabilities                       | 17.87             | 10.76             | 7.10         |
| <i>Current + Capital - Financial Account Balance</i> | <i>3.59</i>       | <i>2.79</i>       | <i>0.80</i>  |
| <b>D. Net Errors and Omissions</b>                   | <b>0.35</b>       | <b>0.16</b>       | <b>0.19</b>  |
| <b>E. Reserves and Related Items</b>                 | <b>3.93</b>       | <b>2.95</b>       | <b>0.98</b>  |

Note : Numbers with a positive sign refer to proceeds or payments in the cases of the current account and the capital account, or to an increase in financial assets or liabilities. Numbers with a negative sign denote a decrease in the aforesaid items. In the balances of the current account and the capital account, numbers with a positive sign indicate surpluses, and numbers with a negative sign indicate deficits, while in the balances of the financial account and reserve assets, numbers with a positive sign represent an increase in net assets, and numbers with a negative sign represent a decrease in net assets.

# Balance of Payments

The First Three Quarters of 2017 and the First Three Quarters of 2016

In billions of U.S. dollars

|                                                      | (1)<br>2017 Q1~Q3 | (2)<br>2016 Q1~Q3 | (1)-(2)      |
|------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| <b>A. Current Account</b>                            | <b>54.64</b>      | <b>52.48</b>      | <b>2.15</b>  |
| Goods : credit ( exports )                           | 255.07            | 225.15            | 29.92        |
| Goods : debit ( imports )                            | 198.15            | 173.87            | 24.28        |
| <i>Balance on Goods</i>                              | <i>56.92</i>      | <i>51.28</i>      | <i>5.64</i>  |
| Services : credit ( exports )                        | 32.80             | 30.51             | 2.29         |
| Services : debit ( imports )                         | 41.93             | 39.35             | 2.57         |
| <i>Balance on Services</i>                           | <i>-9.13</i>      | <i>-8.85</i>      | <i>-0.28</i> |
| Primary Income : credit                              | 24.16             | 22.22             | 1.94         |
| Primary Income : debit                               | 13.99             | 9.83              | 4.16         |
| <i>Balance on Primary Income</i>                     | <i>10.17</i>      | <i>12.39</i>      | <i>-2.22</i> |
| Secondary Income : credit                            | 5.12              | 5.11              | 0.02         |
| Secondary Income : debit                             | 8.45              | 7.44              | 1.00         |
| <i>Balance on Secondary Income</i>                   | <i>-3.32</i>      | <i>-2.34</i>      | <i>-0.99</i> |
| <b>B. Capital Account</b>                            | <b>-0.01</b>      | <b>-0.01</b>      | <b>0.00</b>  |
| <b>C. Financial Account</b>                          | <b>45.16</b>      | <b>37.85</b>      | <b>7.31</b>  |
| Direct investment : assets                           | 9.73              | 10.56             | -0.82        |
| Equity and investment fund shares                    | 9.59              | 9.32              | 0.27         |
| Debt instruments                                     | 0.14              | 1.24              | -1.10        |
| Direct investment : liabilities                      | 2.73              | 1.42              | 1.32         |
| Equity and investment fund shares                    | 4.25              | 1.36              | 2.89         |
| Debt instruments                                     | -1.51             | 0.06              | -1.57        |
| Portfolio investment : assets                        | 66.10             | 62.98             | 3.12         |
| Equity and investment fund shares                    | 14.18             | 6.86              | 7.31         |
| Debt securities                                      | 51.92             | 56.12             | -4.19        |
| Portfolio investment : liabilities                   | 2.00              | 8.76              | -6.76        |
| Equity and investment fund shares                    | 2.31              | 10.48             | -8.16        |
| Debt securities                                      | -0.31             | -1.72             | 1.40         |
| Financial derivatives : assets                       | -8.59             | -8.57             | -0.02        |
| Financial derivatives : liabilities                  | -6.35             | -6.50             | 0.14         |
| Other investment : assets                            | -3.17             | -4.14             | 0.97         |
| Other investment : liabilities                       | 20.54             | 19.30             | 1.24         |
| <i>Current + Capital - Financial Account Balance</i> | <i>9.47</i>       | <i>14.63</i>      | <i>-5.16</i> |
| <b>D. Net Errors and Omissions</b>                   | <b>-1.02</b>      | <b>-4.68</b>      | <b>3.66</b>  |
| <b>E. Reserves and Related Items</b>                 | <b>8.45</b>       | <b>9.95</b>       | <b>-1.50</b> |

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In billions of U.S. dollars

| Year<br>/Quarter    | Current Account |         |                |                |          |                   |                     | Capital<br>Account |
|---------------------|-----------------|---------|----------------|----------------|----------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
|                     |                 | Goods   |                |                | Services | Primary<br>Income | Secondary<br>Income |                    |
|                     |                 | (1)-(2) | Exports<br>(1) | Imports<br>(2) |          |                   |                     |                    |
| 2007                | 32.01           | 38.45   | 258.39         | 219.94         | -12.79   | 10.13             | -3.78               | -0.03              |
| 2008                | 24.80           | 29.15   | 269.62         | 240.47         | -11.53   | 9.98              | -2.80               | -0.27              |
| 2009                | 40.65           | 39.37   | 215.47         | 176.10         | -9.10    | 12.52             | -2.15               | -0.05              |
| 2010                | 36.83           | 37.01   | 289.38         | 252.37         | -11.05   | 13.58             | -2.71               | -0.05              |
| 2011                | 37.88           | 39.64   | 325.76         | 286.12         | -11.25   | 13.18             | -3.69               | -0.04              |
| 2012                | 44.34           | 49.57   | 388.34         | 338.77         | -17.21   | 14.59             | -2.62               | -0.02              |
| 2013                | 51.27           | 54.56   | 382.10         | 327.54         | -13.80   | 13.52             | -3.00               | 0.07               |
| 2014                | 61.83           | 60.19   | 378.96         | 318.77         | -10.03   | 14.46             | -2.79               | -0.01              |
| 2015 <sup>r</sup>   | 75.15           | 72.82   | 336.88         | 264.06         | -10.13   | 15.85             | -3.38               | -0.01              |
| 2016 <sup>r</sup>   | 71.91           | 70.38   | 310.02         | 239.63         | -11.00   | 15.67             | -3.14               | -0.01              |
| 2013／4              | 16.25           | 16.00   | 102.72         | 86.72          | -2.64    | 3.60              | -0.71               | 0.02               |
| 2014／1 <sup>r</sup> | 12.89           | 10.47   | 85.87          | 75.41          | -2.60    | 5.40              | -0.38               | 0.00               |
| 2 <sup>r</sup>      | 15.98           | 15.32   | 95.77          | 80.44          | -2.26    | 3.75              | -0.84               | 0.01               |
| 3 <sup>r</sup>      | 14.16           | 15.02   | 100.36         | 85.34          | -3.01    | 3.00              | -0.85               | 0.00               |
| 4 <sup>r</sup>      | 18.81           | 19.39   | 96.97          | 77.58          | -2.15    | 2.31              | -0.73               | -0.02              |
| 2015／1              | 21.56           | 18.91   | 83.04          | 64.13          | -2.18    | 5.55              | -0.73               | 0.00               |
| 2                   | 15.83           | 17.19   | 85.46          | 68.27          | -2.72    | 2.55              | -1.19               | 0.00               |
| 3 <sup>r</sup>      | 18.30           | 18.43   | 84.79          | 66.36          | -3.10    | 3.78              | -0.80               | 0.00               |
| 4 <sup>r</sup>      | 19.46           | 18.28   | 83.59          | 65.31          | -2.13    | 3.98              | -0.67               | 0.00               |
| 2016／1 <sup>r</sup> | 19.55           | 17.16   | 71.31          | 54.16          | -2.31    | 5.24              | -0.55               | 0.00               |
| 2 <sup>r</sup>      | 16.70           | 17.11   | 76.23          | 59.12          | -2.77    | 3.24              | -0.88               | -0.01              |
| 3 <sup>r</sup>      | 16.24           | 17.01   | 77.60          | 60.60          | -3.77    | 3.91              | -0.91               | 0.00               |
| 4 <sup>r</sup>      | 19.43           | 19.11   | 84.87          | 65.76          | -2.15    | 3.28              | -0.80               | 0.00               |
| 2017／1 <sup>r</sup> | 17.34           | 16.59   | 78.68          | 62.09          | -2.64    | 4.38              | -0.99               | 0.00               |
| 2 <sup>r</sup>      | 16.79           | 17.43   | 84.77          | 67.34          | -2.85    | 3.26              | -1.06               | 0.00               |
| 3 <sup>p</sup>      | 20.51           | 22.90   | 91.62          | 68.72          | -3.65    | 2.53              | -1.27               | 0.00               |

Notes : 1. Regarding sign conventions, please refer to the note in the bottom of Table 1.  
2. p Preliminarily estimated, r Revised.  
3. For further information regarding Taiwan's Balance of Payments, please refer to the CBC website at <http://www.cbc.gov.tw/ct.asp?xItem=2070&ctNode=512&mp=2>.

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In billions of U.S. dollars

| Year<br>/Quarter    | Financial Account |                   |        |             |                      |        |             |                          |                  |        |             | Reserve<br>Assets |
|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|-------------|----------------------|--------|-------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------|-------------|-------------------|
|                     |                   | Direct Investment |        |             | Portfolio Investment |        |             | Financial<br>Derivatives | Other Investment |        |             |                   |
|                     |                   |                   | Assets | Liabilities |                      | Assets | Liabilities |                          |                  | Assets | Liabilities |                   |
| 2007                | 38.93             | 3.34              | 11.11  | 7.77        | 40.06                | 44.97  | 4.90        | 0.29                     | -4.76            | 6.85   | 11.60       | -4.02             |
| 2008                | 1.64              | 4.86              | 10.29  | 5.43        | 12.25                | -3.53  | -15.78      | -1.59                    | -13.88           | -10.62 | 3.25        | 26.27             |
| 2009                | -13.49            | 3.07              | 5.88   | 2.81        | 10.33                | 31.70  | 21.37       | -0.85                    | -26.04           | -25.66 | 0.37        | 54.13             |
| 2010                | 0.34              | 9.08              | 11.57  | 2.49        | 20.66                | 33.49  | 12.82       | -0.58                    | -28.83           | -12.32 | 16.51       | 40.17             |
| 2011                | 32.03             | 14.72             | 12.77  | -1.96       | 35.69                | 19.50  | -16.19      | -1.04                    | -17.35           | 7.99   | 25.34       | 6.24              |
| 2012                | 32.67             | 9.93              | 13.14  | 3.21        | 42.50                | 45.71  | 3.21        | -0.39                    | -19.37           | -4.14  | 15.22       | 15.48             |
| 2013                | 42.49             | 10.69             | 14.29  | 3.60        | 29.13                | 37.08  | 7.95        | -0.84                    | 3.51             | 48.91  | 45.39       | 11.32             |
| 2014                | 51.84             | 9.88              | 12.71  | 2.83        | 44.04                | 57.10  | 13.06       | -0.55                    | -1.54            | 13.25  | 14.79       | 13.02             |
| 2015                | 66.21             | 12.32             | 14.71  | 2.39        | 57.20                | 56.34  | -0.86       | 1.18                     | -4.49            | -16.40 | -11.91      | 15.01             |
| 2016 <sup>r</sup>   | 54.88             | 8.67              | 17.90  | 9.23        | 78.82                | 81.46  | 2.64        | -2.23                    | -30.39           | -8.27  | 22.12       | 10.66             |
| 2013／4              | 16.71             | 2.77              | 3.27   | 0.50        | 5.59                 | 9.39   | 3.80        | -0.29                    | 8.63             | 19.36  | 10.73       | 2.68              |
| 2014／1              | 11.16             | 2.18              | 3.13   | 0.95        | 6.78                 | 11.66  | 4.88        | -0.38                    | 2.58             | 12.83  | 10.25       | 2.62              |
| 2                   | 11.23             | 3.16              | 3.73   | 0.57        | 0.87                 | 10.35  | 9.48        | -0.18                    | 7.39             | 13.76  | 6.37        | 4.39              |
| 3                   | 11.53             | 2.12              | 2.95   | 0.83        | 22.34                | 19.20  | -3.14       | -0.24                    | -12.69           | -4.90  | 7.80        | 4.18              |
| 4                   | 17.92             | 2.42              | 2.91   | 0.48        | 14.05                | 15.88  | 1.83        | 0.26                     | 1.19             | -8.45  | -9.64       | 1.82              |
| 2015／1              | 20.33             | 1.84              | 2.91   | 1.07        | 9.48                 | 14.20  | 4.72        | 1.33                     | 7.68             | 2.67   | -5.02       | 3.81              |
| 2                   | 14.50             | 4.23              | 4.52   | 0.29        | 10.25                | 13.44  | 3.19        | 0.17                     | -0.15            | 10.78  | 10.93       | 4.17              |
| 3                   | 11.06             | 3.34              | 4.13   | 0.78        | 22.58                | 14.23  | -8.36       | 1.19                     | -16.05           | -19.40 | -3.35       | 5.69              |
| 4                   | 20.32             | 2.91              | 3.16   | 0.25        | 14.89                | 14.48  | -0.41       | -1.51                    | 4.03             | -10.45 | -14.48      | 1.34              |
| 2016／1 <sup>r</sup> | 11.86             | 2.10              | 2.81   | 0.72        | 17.12                | 21.13  | 4.01        | -1.26                    | -6.09            | -2.94  | 3.15        | 3.85              |
| 2 <sup>r</sup>      | 12.54             | 2.84              | 3.34   | 0.50        | 15.30                | 17.18  | 1.89        | -0.69                    | -4.91            | 0.47   | 5.38        | 3.15              |
| 3                   | 13.45             | 4.21              | 4.41   | 0.20        | 21.80                | 24.67  | 2.87        | -0.12                    | -12.44           | -1.68  | 10.76       | 2.95              |
| 4                   | 17.03             | -0.46             | 7.35   | 7.81        | 24.60                | 18.48  | -6.12       | -0.16                    | -6.95            | -4.13  | 2.82        | 0.72              |
| 2017／1 <sup>r</sup> | 13.85             | 1.72              | 2.64   | 0.93        | 26.12                | 34.16  | 8.04        | -0.93                    | -13.05           | -0.95  | 12.11       | 2.43              |
| 2 <sup>r</sup>      | 14.38             | 3.32              | 4.02   | 0.69        | 4.71                 | 8.97   | 4.26        | -0.11                    | 6.46             | -2.97  | -9.43       | 2.08              |
| 3 <sup>p</sup>      | 16.93             | 1.96              | 3.08   | 1.12        | 33.27                | 22.97  | -10.31      | -1.19                    | -17.11           | 0.75   | 17.87       | 3.93              |

Notes : 1. Assets refer to residents' investment abroad. Liabilities refer to nonresidents' investment in R.O.C. (Taiwan).

2. Regarding sign conventions, please refer to the note in the bottom of Table 1.

3. p Preliminarily estimated, r Revised.