

**Bank Negara Reserves At RM428.6 Billion As At Jan 31  
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KUALA LUMPUR, Feb 8 (Bernama) -- Bank Negara Malaysia (BNM)'s international reserves amounted to RM428.6 billion, equivalent to US\$140.2 billion as at Jan 31, 2013.

In a statement Friday, BNM said the reserves position was sufficient to finance 9.5 months of retained imports and was 4.2 times the short-term external debt.

It said the international reserves comprised foreign currency reserves (US\$126.8 billion); International Monetary Fund reserves (US\$900 million); Special Drawing Rights (SDRs) (US\$2 billion); gold (US\$1.9 billion); and, other reserve assets (US\$8.6 billion).

BNM's total assets, including international reserves, stood at RM478.07 billion.

The central bank's other assets include Malaysian government papers (RM2.18 billion); deposits with financial institutions (RM28.69 billion); loans and advances (RM9.49 billion); and other assets (RM9.16 billion).

Its capital and liabilities comprised paid-up capital (RM100 million); general reserve fund (RM14.37 billion); other reserves (RM10.25 billion); currency in circulation (RM73.02 billion); deposits by financial institutions (RM186.96 billion); federal government deposits (RM7.09 billion); other deposits (RM4.26 billion); Bank Negara papers (RM148.42 billion); allocation of SDRs (RM6.33 billion); and other liabilities (RM27.28 billion).

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