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According to a report released June 23 by the Economy Ministry's foreign trade department (DECEX), the nation's trade surplus for the first five months of the year totaled US\$6.019 billion. Export revenue over the period came to US\$13.741 billion, and import spending, US\$7.722 billion. For the month of May, export income totaled US\$3.098 billion and import spending US\$1.582 billion for a surplus of US\$1.516 billion. DECEX predicts a US\$12 billion trade surplus for the year, compared to US\$10.622 billion in 1991. Last year, export revenue totaled US\$31.636 billion, and import spending, US\$21.014 billion. (Basic data from Agence France-Presse, 06/23/92)

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