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Daily Asia Wrap - 26th March 2020



Range Asian Hours
(from Globex open)

	GOLD	SILVER	PLATINUM	PALLADIUM
OPEN	1613.50/16.50	14.48/52	729/34	2337/67
HIGH	1613.50/16.50	14.51/55	744/49	2405/35
LOW	1597.00/00.00	14.15/19	723/28	2285/15
LAST	1603.00/06.00	14.30/34	727/32	2296/26

MARKETS/MACRO

US equities were higher as congress agreed on a \$2 trillion stimulus deal. The Dow added 495.64 points, or 2.39%, to 21,200.55, the S&P 500 rose 28.23 points, or 1.15%, to 2,475.56, while the Nasdaq lost 33.56 points, or 0.45%, to 7,384.30. There were wins for industrials (+5.28%), energy (+4.49%) and REITs (+4.49%), while communications (-1.59%) led the laggards. European equities had their biggest back to back rally since 2008, the EuroSTOXX gained 9.38 points, or 3.35%, to 313.38, the German DAX put on 173.69 points, or 1.79%, to 9,874.26, and the London FTSE 100 advanced 242.19 points, or 4.45%, to 5,688.20. In the currencies, the US dollar index eased 0.84% to 100.94, the EUR traded up to 1.0890, while USD/JPY was at 111.18. US treasury yields were mixed, the 2 year yield slipped 2.0 bps to 0.328% while the 10 year yield firmed 1.0 bps to 0.855%. Oil prices were lower, Brent lost 0.6% to \$27.78 while WTI sold off 0.8% to \$24.71. Base metals were mostly higher, with copper (+0.9%) leading the gains. In US economic data, durable goods orders jumped 1.2% in February, while core capital goods orders slipped 0.8%. In Asia today, as I write the Nikkei is at -3.29%, the Shanghai composite is at -0.18%, the Hang Seng is at 0.00%, and the ASX S&P 200 is at +2.75%. Tonight we have weekly jobless claims, GDP, and advance trade in goods out of the US; with the ECB Economic Bulletin, loans to households, loans to companies, and M# money supply out of the eurozone.

PRECIOUS

Range-bound but choppy session for the precious overnight with gold closing lower after Tuesday's gains. Gold traded above \$1640 in early Asian hours but came under pressure as the SGE opened. London were also sellers as proposed stimulus measures in the region buoyed equities, we saw the day's low of \$1595 posted during the AM session. NY were straight on the bid with the price under \$1600, but the metal was capped around the \$1620 mark as optimism around the \$2 trillion stimulus package fuelled investors appetite for a little more risk. The yellow metal finished the session mid-range at \$1615. Silver was sold down to test the \$14 level just ahead of the NY open before recovering to opening levels, the grey metal ended slightly ahead at \$14.49. Palladium was the star, rallying over 20% to close at \$350. The Philadelphia gold and silver index rose 2.97% to 88.83. In today's trading, again we are sold off during Asian hours. The market opened at the \$1613.50 before testing the \$1600 support, the yellow metal is at \$1604 as I write. Silver has also come off the early high, the grey metal is currently trading at \$14.32. Have a good day ahead.

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