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MORNING NOTES

PSEi performance

PSEi Index 15 Oct 2010: 4,216.35 - 17.03

Value T/O, net Php 3,274 million
52-week High 4,253.75

Low 2,787.66

Foreign Buying: Php 2,514 million
Foreign Selling: Php 2,378 million

Regional performance

Dow Jones : 11,062.78 - 31.79 FTSE 100 : 5,703.37 - 23.84 Nikkei 225 : 9,500.25 - 83.26

Trading snapshot

Index Movers	Points
Metrobank	-7.90
Aboitiz Equity	+7.75
Ayala Land	-7.47
Aboitiz Power	+5.78
PLDT	-3.80
Index Out-performers	Up
Lepanto Consolidated B	7.37%
Aboitiz Power	4.57%
Aboitiz Equity	3.68%
Lepanto Consolidated A	3.57%
ICTSI	1.74%
Index Under-performers	Down
Metrobank	4.04%
Ayala Land	2.35%
SM Prime	2.34%
Manila Electric Co.	2.25%
Philex Mining	2.19%

Calendar

Oct 19 Sep '10 Overall Bal. of Payments
Oct 21 Island Information & Tech. ASM
Oct 26 Suntrust Home Developers ASM
Oct 26 Aug '10 External Trade, MISSI

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HEADLINES

Tech stocks lift Nasdag, but banks drag Dow

Among the three major U.S. stock indexes, Nasdaq performed the best on Friday (Oct 15) as Apple (+4.1%) and Google (+11.2%) surged. But uncertainty surrounding major banks' exposure to foreclosure losses dragged the Dow. Several major banks, including Citigroup (-2.7%) are due to report earnings this week. Poor quarterly revenues from General Electric (-5.1%) underscored the economy's soft spots even as profits from continuing operations increased for the second straight quarter and its GE Capital unit recorded a stronger performance. A smaller-than-expected rise in consumer prices in September and a weaker-than-forecast reading of consumer sentiment in October, supported investors' hopes for additional Fed stimulus. In a speech, Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke said high unemployment and low inflation pointed to a need for further monetary easing.

OF remittances grow by 9.8% YoY in Aug 2010

Remittances from overseas Filipinos coursed through banks rose by 9.8% YoY to US\$1.5B in Aug 2010, bringing cumulative remittances for the first eight months to US\$12.2B (+7.4% YoY). Increased remittances were noted from both sea-based (+11.3% YoY) and land-based (+6.5% YoY) workers. Remittances continued to originate largely from the U.S., Canada, Saudi Arabia, Japan, the U.K., Singapore, United Arab Emirates, Italy, and Germany. The combined flows from these countries represented 84.0% of the total remittances reported by the banks.

Ayala Corp. expands share buyback program (AC; P408.00)

Ayala Corporation (AC) has expanded its share buyback program from P5B to P10B. The program began in Sep 2007 with a budget of P2.5B; another P2.5B was appropriated in May 2010. As of Oct 14, the company has bought back 14.2M of its common shares at an average price of P322.81 per share for a total cost of P4.65B.

PSEi: 1-Year Price Chart



Source: Philippine Stock Exchange

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