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MORNING NOTES

PSEi performance

PSEi Index 01 Apr 2011: 4,129.54 + 74.40

Value T/O, net Php 3,601 million
52-week High 4,413.42

Low 3,073.71

Foreign Buying: Php 3,337 million
Foreign Selling: Php 2,360 million

Regional performance

Dow Jones : 12,376.72 + 56.99 FTSE 100 : 6,009.92 + 101.16 Nikkei 225 : 9,708.39 - 46.71

Trading snapshot

Index Movers	Points
Ayala Land Inc.	+10.19
PLDT	+8.30
Bank of the Philippine Islands	+8.12
Energy Development Corp.	+8.04
Aboitiz Equity Ventures	+6.91

Index Out-performers	Up
Energy Development Corp.	4.66%
SM Prime Holdings	4.46%
Jollibee	4.24%
First Philippine Holdings	4.09%
Ayala Land Inc.	3.87%

Index Under-performers	Down
Lepanto Mining B	3.70%
Globe Telecom	3.48%
Lepanto Mining A	2.00%
Filinvest Land Inc.	0.87%
Megaworld	0.47%

Calendar

Apr 04 TA/PSB ASM

Apr 05 Mar `11 Inflation, CPI; Feb `11 PPS
Apr 05 Mar `11 Fed Funds Rates, Prime Rates

Apr 05 Mar `11 Rediscount Rate

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HEADLINES

US stocks start Q2 `11 strong on job growth

All three major indices gained on Friday (Apr 1) as the labor department reported unemployment rate falling 8.8% to a 2 year low. The Dow reached new highs for 2011 as the report hit the market but corrected after oil hit a new 30-month high of US\$107.94. The S&P on the other hand traded at around 1,333, near the 1,344 level which is needed to pose a new 2011 high. Although still lower than the daily average of 8.47B, volume reached 7.4B shares traded, breaking the continuous slump experienced in previous sessions. On a side note, the Institute of Supply Management reported a slight drop in manufacturing growth while the Commerce Department reported construction spending dropping to a new low since 1999.

BSP to closely monitor minimum wage and act accordingly to changes

■ The BSP said that it will be closely watching any movements in the minimum wage. BSP said that a wage hike greater than P25 might trigger it to further raise the rates. This comes after President Noynoy Aquino was quoted saying that wage hikes might be allowed if inflation hits 5%. The Trade Union Congress of the Philippines last month filed a P75 across-the-board increase for Metro Manila.

Resorts World posts net income of US\$71.2M (AGI; P11.92)

Resorts World, a casino joint venture between Alliance Global, Inc. and Genting Hong Kong Ltd posted net income reaching US\$ 71.2M and a revenue of US\$355.8M for 2010. This marks the full year operation of the said casino. EBITDA for 2010 amounted to US\$102M from US\$3M the previous year. AGI reported net income of P5.39B for the first three quarters of last year.

Fitch places PLDT on 'Rating Watch Positive" (TEL; P2,356)

Fitch Ratings has recently placed PLDT on a 'Rating Watch Positive', in light of its recent acquisition of a majority stake in Digitel. Fitch said that it has a positive view on the acquisition since it would result to a 70% market of the wireless market for PLDT. The debt watcher anticipates predatory pricing to ease in the short term, although competitive pressures might again arise with the emergence of San Miguel Corp.'s telco arm. Fitch is also closely watching the status of the regulatory approval of the transaction, the funding mix for the payment of the tender offer to Digitel's minority holders and the resultant debt levels after the transaction has been consummated.

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PSEi: 1-Year Price Chart 5,000 4,500 4,000 3,500 3,000 2,500 2,000 Apr-10 May-10 Jun-10 Jul-10 Aug-10 Oct-10 Feb-11 Mar-11

Source: Philippine Stock Exchange