

PRECIOUS METALS REPORT

MARKET COMMENT

Housing and Consumer Confidence

The S&P Case-Shiller housing composite index rose 5% year over year, slightly lower than the expected 5.1% but still highlights the strength in the US housing market. Housing, employment, and stock market strengths all contributed to a surge in consumer confidence index in September. The 104.1 confidence number is the highest level since the recession. Upbeat consumers should help boost the economy going into the holiday shopping season. Ideally the economic growth should allow the Fed to raise interest rates by the end of the year.

Commodity selloff again started with oil, down 2.5% and extended into precious metals. Gold traded down 1% and silver was down 2%, testing the \$19 level. Platinum was down 1.5% while palladium again bucked the trend and ended up 0.6%, above \$700. We would expect the same trading ranges to remain intact this week. Hedge funds and bank window dressing for quarter end will cause increased volatility for the remainder of the week.

Have a wonderful evening!

TRADING RANGE (COMEX/NYMEX Far East and early European ranges)

| | Gold | Silver | Platinum | Palladium | Euro/USD |
|------|---------|--------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Open | 1342.00 | 19.510 | 1043.90 | 695.85 | 1.1251 |
| Low | 1337.30 | 19.455 | 1038.70 | 691.60 | 1.1233 |
| High | 1343.50 | 19.610 | 1050.10 | 703.35 | 1.1260 |

LONDON BENCHMARKS / ECB-EXCHANGE RATE

| | Gold | Silver | Platinum | Palladium | Euro/USD |
|----|---------|--------|----------|-----------|----------|
| AM | 1335.85 | 19.42 | 1040.00 | 694.00 | 1.1220 |
| PM | 1327.00 | | 1033.00 | 691.00 | |

TRADING RANGE (COMEX/NYMEX)

| | Gold | Silver | Platinum | Palladium | Euro/USD |
|-------|---------|--------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Low | 1327.70 | 19.045 | 1026.60 | 691.60 | 1.1188 |
| High | 1343.50 | 19.610 | 1054.00 | 703.35 | 1.1260 |
| Close | 1330.40 | 19.165 | 1029.30 | 701.05 | 1.1253 |

SUPPORT / RESISTANCE (USD/toz)

| | Gold | Silver | Platinum | Palladium | Euro/USD |
|------------|------|--------|----------|-----------|----------|
| Support | 1300 | 19.00 | 1000 | 650 | 1.1100 |
| Resistance | 1400 | 20.25 | 1100 | 715 | 1.1300 |

MINOR PGM METALS

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| Rh | 635-685 | Ir | 600-675 | Ru | 32-42 |
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U.S. ECONOMIC CALENDAR (September 28, 2016)

Durable goods order (Aug)

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