



	GOLD	SILVER	PLATINUM	PALLADIUM
OPEN	1217.40/80	15.70/73	906/09	853/55
HIGH	1218.80/20	15.70/73	906/09	858/60
LOW	1215.20/60	15.58/71	901/04	853/55
LAST LEVEL	1217.80/20	15.63/66	904/07	857/59

Range Asian Hours (from Globex open)

MACRO: US equities were higher as the Dow posted fresh record highs. The Dow added 20.95 points, or 0.10%, to 21,553.09, the S&P 500 rose 4.58 points, or 0.19%, to 2,447.83, and Nasdaq advanced 13.27 points, or 0.21%, to 6,274.44. There were wins for financials (+0.61%) and energy (+0.44%) while telcos (-0.57%) and utilities (-0.35%) led the losses. European shares were mostly higher, The EuroSTOXX put on 1.24 points, or 0.3%, to 386.14, the German DAX rose 14.75, or 0.12%, to 12,623.00, the London FTSE 100 slipped 3.49, or 0.05%, to 7,351.00. Some volatility in the currency markets, the US dollar index rode the ups and downs during the day to finish flat at 95.765 the EUR traded down to 1.1376 (from the intra-day high of 1.1452), while USD/JPY traded up to 113.45 after dipping below 113 a few times during the session. US treasury yields were lower as markets continue to digest the dovish testimony from Yellen, the 2-year note yield lost 1.63 bps to 1.3592%, the 10-year bond yield declined 2.49 bps to 2.3426%. In commodities news, oil markets were higher as WTI rose for a fourth straight session, adding 1.23% to \$46.05. Brent gained 1.36% to \$48.39. Base metals were mixed with aluminium (+1.8%) the best performer and zinc (-1.04%) leading the laggards. In US economic news, Initial jobless claims fell by 3k to a seasonally adjusted 247k in the week ending July 8, this marks the 123rd straight week that claims remained below 300k which is the level that indicates a healthy labour market. Continuing jobless claims increased to 1.95M The producer price index rose by 1% in June, while the year on year increase has slowed from 2.4% to 2%. The data suggests inflation has tapered somewhat after rising steadily through 2016 and early 2017, and is particularly interesting in the light of Yellen's commentary on Wednesday and today. Investors will have a keen eye on tonight's CPI release. In Asia today, as I write the Nikkei sits at +0.09%, the Shanghai composite is at -0.14%, the Hang Seng at -0.01%, and the ASX S&P 200 closed at +0.49%. On the economic calendar tonight we have CPI, retail sales, industrial production, capacity utilisation, consumer sentiment, and business inventories out of the US.

PRECIOUS: A disappointing session for the precious complex as gold gives back the early gains to close lower. The market was led by USD/JPY through the session, gold was fairly well bid through Asian hours as dollar/yen was sold below 113, but couldn't push through the previous session high of \$1225. The SGE premium traded around \$11 over loco London which prompted a pick up in buying out of China. The greenback rallied during the London AM session sparking a sell off in the yellow metal, by the time NY came in the market was at \$1220 and trading at the low of



\$1216 not long after. Fairly quiet trade through the remainder of the session saw gold remain within a tight \$2 range and close around the low. Silver was looking to test \$16 during Asian hours but succumbed to the sell off during the NY session, the grey metal gave up nearly 2% from the high to finish at \$15.66. PGM's looked well supported early, particularly palladium which surged to a high of \$871, but finished in the red. The Philadelphia gold and silver index lost 1.36%. The SPDR Gold Trust ETF sold 114koz overnight. In today's trading USD/JPY is dictating terms once again, gold softened early as the dollar firmed, but found enough buy orders ahead of \$1215 to support the market. The SGE premium has backed off slightly to \$9-10. The XAU has ticked up in the afternoon as the USD is sold against the yen, reaching a high of \$1218.90. The yellow metal is at \$1217.80 as I write. Silver was well offered early and despite the late rally still finds itself in arrears for the day. The grey metal is sitting at \$15.63 as I write. Not much price action either way for the PGMs, palladium is edging higher and platinum remains flat. Have a good day ahead.