MORNING REPORT

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Top News KEY OVERSEAS MARKET

US markets closed higher on Thursday on mountin optimism that a US debt ceiling deal could be reached within days, with discount retailer Walmart Inc. providing additional support after an upbeat annual sales forecast. The Dow Jones Industrial Average closed up 0.34%, while the S&P 500 and Nasdaq Composite were up 0.94% and up 1.51% respectively.

Other key markets ended higher. European stocks closed as follows: the FTSE100 (+0.25%), the Dax 30 (+1.33%), CAC 40 (+0.64%) and the STOXX (+1.20%). In Asia, the Hang Seng and Shanghai indices closed mixed. The key Asian indices ended yesterday as follows: Nikkei 225(+1.60%), HSI (+0.85%) and the Shanghai Composite (+0.40%).

The yield on the US 10 - year note was at 3.648%, while the 2 - year note was at 4.258%. Oil was up to \$71.93 per barrel, down 1.24%. The gold price was at US\$1960.00 per ounce, down 1.25%.

NZX & ASX

The S&P/ASX200 closed higher on Thursday, + 0.52% to 7,236.80 points. The worst performing stocks in this index were NUFARM LIMITED (+14.15%) and SAYONA MINING LIMITED (+6.98%). The index is virtually unchanged in last five days.

The S&P/NZX 50 closed lower at 11976.082 points up 0.20%. Most sectors ended mixed. The 3 worst sectors were Health Care (-0.62%), Materials (-0.43%), Communications Services (-0.29%). The 3 best sectors were Utilities (+0.90%), Energy (+0.90%) and Information Technology (+1.71%).

	NZX Index				
Index	Last		Change		
S&P/NZX All Index	13,036.41	26.39		0.20%	
S&P/NZX 50 Index	11,976.08	24.42		0.20%	
S&P/NZX MidCap Index	31,410.73	165.96		0.53%	
S&P/NZX SmallCap Index	80,218.32	73.19	_	0.09%	
	ASX Index				
Index	Last	27.72	Chang		
ASX All Ordinaries	7,427.00	37.70	_	0.51%	
S&P/ASX 200	7,236.80	37.60		0.52%	
ASX Small Ordinaries	2,877.10	10.20	_	0.36%	
S&P/ASX MIDCAP 50	9,241.70	46.10		0.50%	
S&P/ASX 20	4,015.80	17.80		0.45%	
FO	reign Markets II Last	nuex	Change		
S&P 500	4,198.05	39.28		0.94%	
Dow Jones Industrial Average	33,535.91	115.14		0.34%	
NASDAQ Composite	12,688.84	188.27		1.51%	
FTSE 100	7,742.30	19.07		0.25%	
ASX All Ordinaries	7,427.00	37.70		0.51%	
NIKKEI 225	30,573.93	480.34		1.60%	
HANG SENG INDEX	19,727.25	166.68		0.85%	
Curi	encies (per NZ	1.00)			
	Last		Change		
AUD	0.9396	0.0014		0.15%	
USD	0.6224	0.0023		0.37%	
CNY	4.3793	0.0067		0.15%	
EUR	0.5777	0.0012		0.21%	
CAD	0.8402	0.0005	_	0.06%	
GBP	0.5017	0.0013		0.26%	
JPY	86.3243	0.3140		0.37%	
US 10 Year Treasury Yield					
US 10YR 2.05% NZ Interest Rates					
	Last				
NZ OCR	4.75				
90-day Bank Bill	5.13				
5y Bank Bill	4.22				
10y Bank Bill	4.18				
Swap rate spread close (bps)	-70.00				
Commodities Futures (Spot Price \$USD)					
	Last		Chang		
Gold	1,960.00	24.90	_	1.25%	
Silver	23.67	0.23		0.95%	
Crude Oil	71.93	0.90		1.24%	

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