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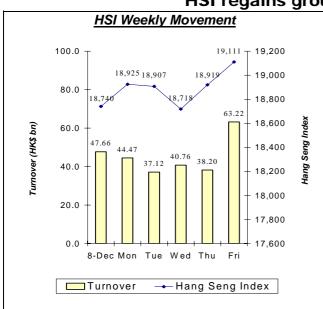
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Weekly Report 15th December 2006

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HSI regains ground above 19,000



Weekly Market Statistics						
Week ended	15/12/2006	08/12/2006	Change	%		
Hang Seng Index	19,111	18,740	371	+2.0%		
HS Red Chip Index	3,089	3,037	51	+1.7%		
HS China Enterprises Index	8,989	8,630	359	+4.2%		
HS Composite Index	2,631	2,580	51	+2.0%		
HS HK Composite Index	2,404	2,363	41	+1.7%		
HS Mainland Composite Index	2,955	2,891	64	+2.2%		
S&P/HKEx GEM Index	1,184	1,183	1	+0.1%		
Avg Daily Turnover	44.8	46.9	(2)	-4.6%		
(HK\$ bn)						
Sectoral Indices						
Finance	31,231	30,958	273	+0.9%		
Utilities	35,722	33,768	1,954	+5.8%		
Properties	22,615	21,971	644	+2.9%		
Comm & Ind	10,038	9,819	219	+2.2%		

Review & Outlook of Market Performance

Hong Kong equities generally moved sideway at the beginning of the week, as investors kept their focus on initial share offerings, while short-term profit taking had put a cap on the upside. Hang Seng Index regained the 19,000 territory on Friday, after the US' Dow Jones Industrial Average set a new record high. The HSI ended the week at 19,110.65, up 371 points or 2.0%. Average daily turnover amounted to HK\$44.8 billion, down slightly from HK\$46.9 billion in the previous week.

Federal Reserve kept interest rates unchanged as expected during the FOMC meeting on Tuesday. However, investors generally paid little attentions on the event, as the Fed barely gave lights on the future policy outlook. In fact, blue chips and H shares were mainly news-driven or being traded on rumours. China Netcom was the biggest gainer in the HSI with a 14.7% jump to settle at all-time high, after exchange filings had showed that Telefonica boosted its stake in the Mainland telecom carrier in the open market. Meanwhile, CLP Holdings jumped a sharp 10.5% w-o-w, amid rumours that local power producers might raise electricity tariffs for 2007. Hutchison Whampoa also traded 3.92% higher w-o-w amid market talks of sale of its Indian 3G business, despite denial from the conglomerate.

HSCEI touched 9,000 on Friday, before finishing at a record close of 8,988.91, up 359 points or 4.2% w-o-w. Strong rally in China Life and Ping An was the driving force, after the two Mainland insurance giants revealed plans to issue domestic A shares. Yanzhou Coal and China Shenhua were the top gainers in the H-share index, after the IPO of peer China Coal Energy received solid market response. The two Mainland coal producers ended up 13.3% and 12.2% w-o-w, respectively.

IPOs should remain the focal point of the market, as we will observe eight new stocks to begin trading on the HK stock exchange before the long Christmas holiday weekend. Trading debuts of China Coal Energy on Tuesday (19/12), Sunlight REIT on Thursday (21/12) and Ming An on Friday (22/12) should draw most investors' attentions. Looking ahead, as fundamentals remains strong and market sentiment stays healthy, the HSI is seen heading north next week and revisiting the record at 19,404 before the year-end.

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US & Regional Markets Weekly Update

Date	US	US	JAPAN	SINGAPORE	MALAYSIA	BANGKOK	TAIPEI
	Dow Jones	NASDAQ	Nikkei Avg	STI	KLSE Index	SET Index	Weighted Index
Week to							
15th December	12,416.76*	2,453.85*	16,914.31	2,931.29	1,089.32	736.29	7,538.82
8th December	12,307.49	2,437.36	16,417.82	2,891.94	1,098.59	740.94	7,636.30
Change	+109.27	+16.49	+496.49	+39.35	-9.27	-4.65	-97.48
%	+0.9%	+0.7%	+3.0%	+1.4%	-0.8%	-0.6%	-1.3%

Remark (*): closing as of 14th December 2006

Major Changes in Index Constituent Stocks (Week ended 15th December 2006)

Hang Seng Index (HSI)

Stock	Stock Code	Closing Price @15/12/06	W-O-W Change		Remarks / Comments
			Absolute	%	
China Merchants Holdings (International)	0144	HK\$30.0	-HK\$0.25	-0.83%	China Merchants tracked the market lower before its trading suspension from Thursday. The port operator said to acquire a 17.5% stake in Shekou Container Terminals (SCT 1) and SCT Phase 2 from Swire Pacific and a 22.5% stake in SCT 1 and 22.05% in SCT 2 from P&O Dover for a total of US\$406 million, in order to consolidate its interest in the Shenzhen port.

Hang Seng China Enterprises Index (HSCEI)

Stock	Stock Code	Closing Price @15/12/06	W-O-W Change		Remarks / Comments
			Absolute	%	
Guangshen Railway	0525	HK\$4.30	+HK\$0.42	+10.82%	Guangshen was one of the top performing stocks in the H-share during the week. The railway operator said it plans to raise RMB10.4 billion by issuing 2.75 billion A shares in Shanghai. The company said it would use the proceeds to fund the purchase of Yang Cheng Railway from its parent.

Hang Seng China-Affiliated Corporations Index (HSCCI)

Stock	Stock Code	Closing Price @15/12/06	W-O-W Change		Remarks / Comments
			Absolute	%	
China Netcom	0906	HK\$19.16	+HK\$2.46	+14.73%	Stock exchange filings showed that Spain's Telefonica SA has boosted its stake in the Mainland fixed-line network carrier in the open market. Telefonica bought 2.09 million shares at an average price of HK\$15.8 on Dec 5, boosting its interest in Netcom to 5% from 4.97%.

Summary of US Economic News

Indicator	Change/Index	Comments
Wholesale inventory – October	+0.8%	Wholesale inventory rose 0.8% in Oct, higher than
2006		consensus forecast of 0.5%, led by autos,
		machinery, and computer equipment.
Trade account balance – October	-US\$58.9 billion	US reported a US\$58.9 bn trade deficit in Oct,
		lower than the US\$64.3 bn deficit in Sep and
		forecast of US\$63 bn. Against China, deficit surged
		to US\$24.4 bn in Oct from US\$23 bn in Sep.
Retail sales – November	+1.0%	Retail sales surged 1.0% in Nov, versus a forecast
		of 0.2%, which showed consumer sentiment was
		robust during the shopping season.
Initial jobless claims – the week	-20,000	Initial jobless claims fell a larger-than-expected
ended 9 th December 2006		20,000 to 304,000 last week from 328,000 in the
		previous week. Market previously expected a
		reading of 320,000.
Import prices – November	+0.2%	Despite dropping oil prices, import prices surged
		0.2% in Nov, rather than forecast of staying flat. In
		fact, the rise was driven by natural gas prices.

Forthcoming Important Announcements / Events

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18 th December 2006 (Monday)	HK	:	FE Consortium (0035) – interim results
			Luk Fook Holdings (0590) – interim results
			Pacific Andes (1174) – interim results
			Pearl Oriental (0632) – interim results
			Tack Fat Group (0928) – interim results
	US	:	Current account balance – Q3 2006
			Oracle – Q2 FY2006/07 results
19 th December 2006 (Tuesday)	HK	:	Unemployment rate – November 2006
			Emperor Entertainment Hotel (0296) – interim results
			Emperor International Holdings (0163) – interim results
			Hon Kwok Land (0160) – interim results
			Ngau Lik Industrial (0332) – interim results
			Yangtzekiang (0294) – interim results
			YGM Trading (0375) – interim results
	US	:	Housing starts – November 2006
			Producer price index – November 2006
			Core PPI – November 2006
			Morgan Stanley – Q4 2006
			Palm, Inc. – Q2 FY2006/07
20 th December 2006 (Wednesday)	HK	:	Hang Fung Gold (0870) – interim results
			Kwoon Chung Bus (0306) – interim results
	US	:	FedEx Corp – Q2 2007results
			Nike Inc – Q2 2007 results
21st December 2006 (Thursday)	HK	:	Consumer price index – November 2006
			Linfair (0462) – interim results
	US	:	Initial jobless claims – week ended 16 th December 2006
			GDP (final) – Q3 2006
			Index of leading indicators – November 2006
22 nd December 2006 (Friday)	HK	:	No important event/ announcement
	US	:	Durable goods orders – November 2006
			Personal income and spending – November 2006
			University of Michigan consumer sentiment (revised) – Dec
			2006

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