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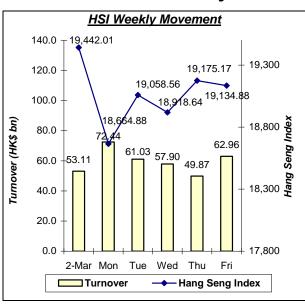
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Weekly Report
9<sup>th</sup> March 2007

### HSI slowly rebound after massive sell-off



Weekly Market Statistics						
Week ended	09/03/07	02/03/07	Change	%		
Hang Seng Index	19,135	19,442	-307	-1.6%		
HS Red Chip Index	3,165	3,310	-145	-4.4%		
HS China Enterprises Index	9,231	8,986	+245	+27%		
HS Composite Index	2,673	2,681	-8	-0.3%		
HS HK Composite Index	2,403	2,402	+2	+0.1%		
HS Mainland Composite Index	3,054	3,074	-19	-0.6%		
Growth Enterprise Index	1,264	1,297	-33	-2.5%		
Avg Daily Tumover (HK\$bn)	60.8	59.6	+1	+21%		
Sectoral Indices						
Finance Utilities Properties	30,865 35,181 22,643	30,539 35,017 23,151	+327 +165 -508	+1.1% +0.5% -2.2%		
Comm&Ind	10,162	10,525	-363	-3.4%		

### **Review & Outlook of Market Performance**

Hong Kong stocks began the week with a 777-point fall on Monday continuing the correction started late last week. The sell-off was contagious affecting regional and US indices mainly spurred by concerns about the U.S. economy and a stronger Japanese yen, which suggested unwinding of carry trades. The indices quickly rebounded on Tuesday mainly led by HSBC (0005) that advanced after its results announcement on Monday. Rebounds in the US bourses and stabilization in other overseas markets also helped neutralizing some of negative sentiments. For the remaining week, investors became cautious and took a wait-and-see approach keeping an eye on fluctuations of Japanese yen for clues of the extent of unwinding in carry trades.

During the week, several blue-chip banks, such as HSBC (0005) and Hang Seng Bank (0011), announced market-expected FY06 results. Hong Kong Exchanges (0388) (HK\$78.05, +2.56% w-o-w) reported an above-expectation 88% surge in net profit to HK\$2,518.6 million in FY06, on top-line growth and stringent cost control. Hang Seng Index fell 307 points or 1.6% w-o-w to 19,134.88, while the HSCEI gained 2.7% to 9,231.21. Average daily turnover increased slightly to HK\$60.8 billion from HK\$59.6 billion in the previous week.

"Buying on dip" activities were more active among the H shares as the Mainland stock market slowly stabilized after last week's slump. Accumulation of China Life Insurance (HK\$21.50, +7.23% w-o-w) and ICBC (HK\$4.40, +5.01% w-o-w) was observed, as the two counters will become new constituents of HSI effective next Monday 12<sup>th</sup> Mar 2007.

For the coming week, investors will keep close eyes on the earnings announcement of several blue-chips, including MTRC, CITIC Pacific, Wing Hang Bank and New World Development. Investors remain cautious, as they are not yet convinced that the rebound is sustainable. Volatility in the market is likely to persist in the near term. However, any major correction would be a bargain hunting opportunity. We see the HSI to consolidate between 18,800 and 19,200.

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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							
9th March	12,260.70*	2,387.73*	17,164.04	3,143.71	1,188.83	671.17	7,568.20
2nd March	12,114.10	2,368.00	17,217.93	3,078.74	1,164.68	679.02	7,670.77
Change	+146.60	+19.73	-53.89	+64.97	+24.15	-7.85	-102.57
%	+1.2%	+0.8%	-0.3%	+2.1%	+2.1%	-1.2%	-1.3%

Remark (\*): closing as of 8<sup>th</sup> March 2007

# Major Changes in Index Constituent Stocks (Week ended 9<sup>th</sup> March 2007)

### **Hang Seng Index (HSI)**

Stock	Stock Code	Closing Price @09/03/07	W-O-W Change		Remarks / Comments
			Absolute	%	
Foxconn International	2038	HK\$21.70	+HK\$1.55	+7.69%	The counter was upgraded to "Buy" from "Neutral" by Goldman Sachs due to stronger-than expected global handset demand and continued outsourcing from customers.
New World Development	0017	HK\$17.54	+HK\$0.36	+2.10%	The company announced plans to spin- off its department store operation in the PRC - New World Department Store China (NWDS) for a separate listing in HK.
Sun Hung Kai Properties	0016	HK\$86.90	-HK\$4.80	-5.23%	The company reported a drop of 12.8% y-o-y in FY06 underlying profit, which fell towards the lower end of market expectations.
China Mobile	0941	HK\$67.00	-HK\$4.60	-6.42%	The counter fell as the HSI revision will cut its weighting to about 16%, down from roughly 21%.

# Hang Seng China Enterprises Index (HSCEI)

Stock	Stock Code	Closing Price @09/03/07	W-O-W Change		Remarks / Comments
			Absolute	%	
CHALCO	2600	HK\$7.99	+HK\$0.59	+7.97%	Shares of the company soared ahead of the FY06 earnings announcement, which is expected on Monday, 12 March.

### Hang Seng China-Affiliated Corporations Index (HSCCI)

Stock	Stock Code	Closing Price @09/03/07	W-O-W Change		Remarks / Comments
			Absolute	%	
China Overseas	0688	HK\$8.50	+HK\$0.68	+8.70%	The president of the Company's parent firm said the company aimed to boost annual turnover by about half to as much as HK\$20 billion.

# **Summary of US Economic News**

Indicator	Change/Index	Comments
ISM non-manufacturing index – February 2007	54.3	The non-manufacturing index, which is made up mostly of service- related companies, moved to a reading of 54.3, from 59.0 in January and 56.7 in December. The overall indication in February is continued economic growth in the non-manufacturing sector, but at a slower pace than in January.
Non-farm productivity (revised) – Q4 2006	+1.6%	Non-farm productivity rose at a 1.6% rate, instead of the previously estimated 3.0% between the months of October and December 2006. In the whole year 2006, productivity grew at 1.6%, the slowest since 1995.
Factory orders – January 2007	-5.6%	U.S. factory orders fell 5.6% during January and that durable goods orders were revised to 8.7% decline, compared with the 7.8% retreat announced last week.
Initial jobless claims – the week ended 3 <sup>rd</sup> March 2007	-10,000	Initial claims fell 10,000 to 328,000 last week, better than an expected figure of 335,000.

# Forthcoming Important Announcements / Events

12 <sup>th</sup> March 2007 (Monday)	HK		China Infrastructure Machinery (3339) – FY2006 final results
12 March 2007 (Monday)	' ''' \	•	Playmates Holdings Ltd (0635) – FY2006 final results
	US		Treasury Budget – February 2007
13 <sup>th</sup> March 2007 (Tuesday)	HK	÷	MTRC (0066) – FY2006 final results
13 March 2007 (Tuesday)	1111		Chi Cheung Investment Co Ltd (0112) – FY2006 final results
			Midland Holding (1200) – FY2006 final results
			Zhengzhou Gas (8099) – FY2006 final results
			HK Land Auction
	us		Retail Sales – February 2007
	00	•	Business Inventories – January 2007
			Goldman Sachs – Q1 2007 results
14 <sup>th</sup> March 2007 (Wednesday)	HK		Chinese Estates Holdings (0127) – FY2006 final results
14 March 2007 (Wednesday)	' ''`	•	Prosperity REIT (0808) – FY2006 final results
			Yorkey Optical (2788) – FY2006 final results
			Value Convergence Holdings (8101) – FY2006 final results
			Weigao Group (8199) – FY2006 final results
	US		Lehman Brothers Holdings – Q1 2007 results
15 <sup>th</sup> March 2007 (Thursday)	HK	÷	China Investments Holdings (0132) – FY2006 final results
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			Wing Hang Bank (0302) – FY2006 final results
			CITIC Pacific (0267) – FY2006 final results
			CKI Holdings (1038) – FY2006 final results
			TOM Online (8282) – FY2006 final results
			Kowloon Development (0034) – FY2006 final results
			The HK & Shanghai Hotels (0045) – FY2006 final results
			Champion REIT (2778) – FY2006 final results
	US	:	Producer Price Index – February 2007
			Initial jobless claims – the week ended 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2007
			Bear Stearns Co – Q1 2007 results
16 <sup>th</sup> March 2007 (Friday)	HK	:	Beijing Capital Land (2868) – FY2006 final results
			New World Develop (0017) - FY2006/07 interim results
			NWS Holdings (0659) - FY2006/07 interim results
			BYD (1211) – FY2006 final results
			China Power International (2380) – FY2006 final results
	US	:	Consumer Price Index – February 2007
			Industrial Production – February 2007

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