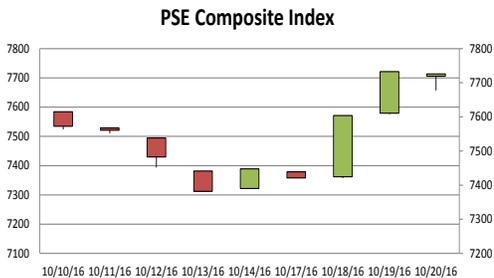




ECONOMIC INDICATORS

	7.0	2.30	
▶ Q2 2016 Gross Domestic Product		▶ September 2016 Inflation Rate	
	- 6.4	5.7	
▶ Q2 2016 Consumer Confidence		▶ Q1 2016 Auto-buying Intention	
48.10			
▶ Daily Peso – Dollar Exchange Rate			



GLOBAL WATCHLIST



Duterte may score South China Sea win

Sources close to the Chinese leadership tell Reuters that Beijing may offer Filipino fisherman access to Scarborough Shoal in the highly disputed South China Sea. Senior Beijing Correspondent Ben Blanchard explains what could lie behind this unexpected turn of events.

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MACROECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

Growth estimated at 6.5% in third quarter -- FMIC, UA&P
Reflecting the first three months of the Duterte administration, the latest issue of the FMIC-UA&P Market Call reported an estimated 6.5% gross domestic product (GDP) expansion for the third quarter, slower than the 7% growth of the preceding quarter



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BSP sees inflation on track as it picks up

Inflation is expected to pick up in the months ahead on the back of prospective hikes in electricity tariffs and in the excise tax on oil products, as well as the proposed new tax on sweetened drinks, according to the minutes of last month's central bank meeting.



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FINANCIAL TRENDS

BOP stays in surplus despite Sept challenges

The country's balance of payments (BOP) position still managed to post a surplus in September despite the uncertainties brought about by the timing of the interest rate hike in the US, the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) reported yesterday.



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INDUSTRY NEWS

'Just what will gov't do about traffic?'

The House transportation committee demanded Thursday that the Department of Transportation (DOTr) and the Interagency Council on Traffic (I-ACT) present concrete plans rather than offer "palliative measures" to solve the traffic mess.



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INTERNATIONAL

Nissan completes buy of Mitsubishi Motors; Ghosn new Chairman

Nissan Motor Co., Ltd. (Nissan) has officially completed acquisition of their 34% stake in Mitsubishi Motors (MMC), making it the largest shareholder of the company. This comes only five months after making the formal announcement in May this year.



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