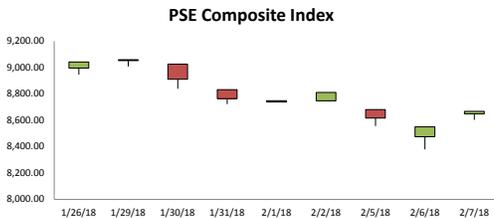




ECONOMIC INDICATORS

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▶ Q4 2017 Gross Domestic Product		▶ January 2018 Inflation Rate	
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▶ Q4 2017 Consumer Confidence		▶ Q4 2017 Auto-buying Intention	
	51.12 ↑		
▶ Daily Peso – Dollar Exchange Rate			



GLOBAL WATCHLIST



Poland's president says he will sign Holocaust bill

Poland's President Andrzej Duda says he will sign a Holocaust bill into law, despite protests from Israel and the United States. Anna Bevan reports.

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MACROECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

BSP chief faces first major test

Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) Governor Nestor A. Espenilla, Jr. faces his first major test on Thursday: striking a balance between curbing inflation and calming financial markets.



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Gov't wooing OFWs to help 'Build, build, build'

The head of the Duterte administration's economic team wants to bring back skilled Filipino construction workers currently overseas to help in the rollout of the government's ambitious "Build, Build, Build" infrastructure program.



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FINANCIAL TRENDS

Peso rallies as stocks rebound

The peso continued to rally against the dollar on Wednesday, Feb. 7, on the back of the rebound in the local bourse as well as the continued market expectations of a rate hike from the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas (BSP) on Thursday, Feb. 8.



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INDUSTRY NEWS

Regional study says almost half of Filipino buyers want an electric car

In a study commissioned by Nissan and conducted by research firm Frost & Sullivan in South East Asian countries on car buyers and owners (non-Nissan customers included), Filipino respondents ranked the highest amongst ASEAN in terms of considering an EV as a next new car purchase and the highest in terms of concern as to where the electricity comes from.



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INTERNATIONAL

Porsche to Invest \$7.5 Billion in Hybrids, EVs

The German automaker already had committed €3 billion to electromobility, but its supervisory board has agreed to double that investment in a move to expand the number of plug-in hybrid and all-electric models offered by Porsche.



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