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DEFENSE SECTOR

RE-ARM EUROPE PLAN = ~€800B GERMAN MILITARY =~ €800B

HEGSETH: NEED > \$1T BUDGET



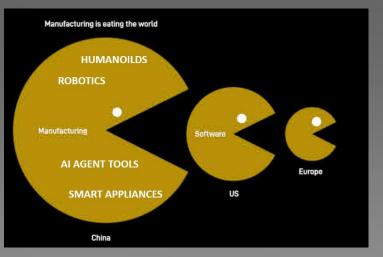




AI ADOPTION

"MADE IN CHINA" 2025 STRATEGY

=>AI => DEEPSEEK => AI AGENTS => HUMANOIDS



TIME TO PREPARE FOR THE CHINA TECH SHIFT!

FIRST IT WAS 5G, THEN DEEPSEEK, NEXT IS AI AGENTS

Al will be the driving force behind tech M&A deals in 2025. From Al agent consolidation to big tech's next battlefield

WATCH THIS WEEK'S VIDEO: PART1, PART 2



READ THIS MONDAY'S NEWSLETTER: "US R&D HAS FALLEN SERIOUSLY BEHIND CHINA"

CHINA'S "MADE IN CHINA 2025" STRATEGIC PLAN & AI AGENTS





Gross Domestic Expenditure on R&D The US vs. China

2000 to 2030 est., US\$ Billions purchasing power parity basis

United States — China

- ^{1,800} In 2000, the US invested 8 times more in R&D than China.
 - ⁶⁰ In 2019, China overtook the US in R&D investment.
- ^{1,400} In 2030, China will invest 40% more than the US
- ^{1,200} if current trends continue. Should the US allow
- 1,000 that to happen, it will become a
- vulnerable, second rate power
 - long before mid-century.

600

400

200

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Why it is a American Strategic Imperative

MADE IN CHINA 2025 – Stage 1 of China's 3 stage, state-led program with the ultimate aim of China becoming the leading manufacturing power by 2049

It established "Nine Priority Tasks" – these are:

- 1. Improving manufacturing innovation
- 2. Integrating Technology and Industry
- 3. Strengthening the Industrial base
- 4. Fostering Chinese Brands
- 5. Enforcing Green Manufacturing
- 6. Promoting Breakthroughs in 10 Key Sectors -
- 7. Advancing Restructuring of the Manufacturing Sector
- 8. Promoting Service-Oriented manufacturing and manufacturing-related service industries
- 9. Internationalizing manufacturing

10 KEY SECTORS TO BE PROMOTED

- 1. Next Generation Information Technology
- 2. High-End Numerical Control Machinery & robotics
- 3. Aerospace & Aviation Equipment
- 4. Maritime Engineering Equipment & High-Tech Maritime vessel manufacturing
- 5. Advanced Rail Equipment
- 6. Energy-Saving & New Energy Vehicles
- 7. Electrical Equipment
- 8. Agricultural Machinery & Equipment
- 9. New Materials
- 10. Biopharmaceuticals & High-Performance
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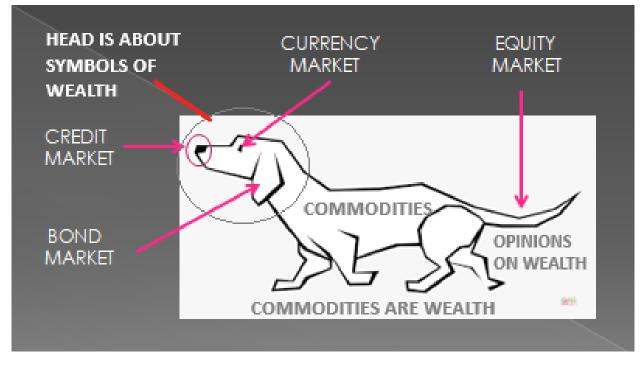
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- ECONOMICS

Technical Set-Ups Inter-Market, Concentrations, Fear-Greed, Bull-Bear, Over-Bought/Sold, Shorts, Puts Sectors, Global, Markets FCI, Buybacks, Volatility, Seasonality, Correlation

Premia, ERP, Leverage, Volatility VIX, VVIX), MOVE Earnings Per Share PE, Sales-Book, Price-Book All Types (FFR, 90, 1Y, 2Y 5Y, 10Y, 30Y) Corporate (HY, IG) Buffett Indicator Q-o-Q, Y-o-Y GDP Growth, Recessions

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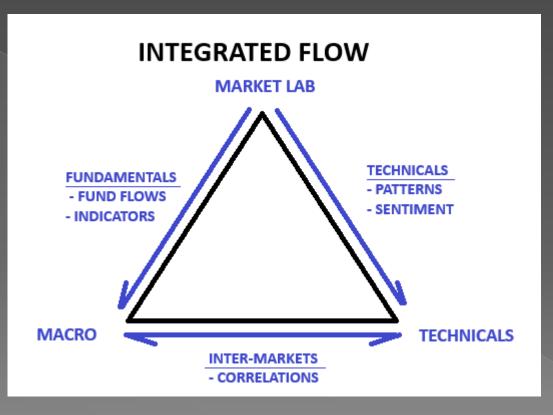
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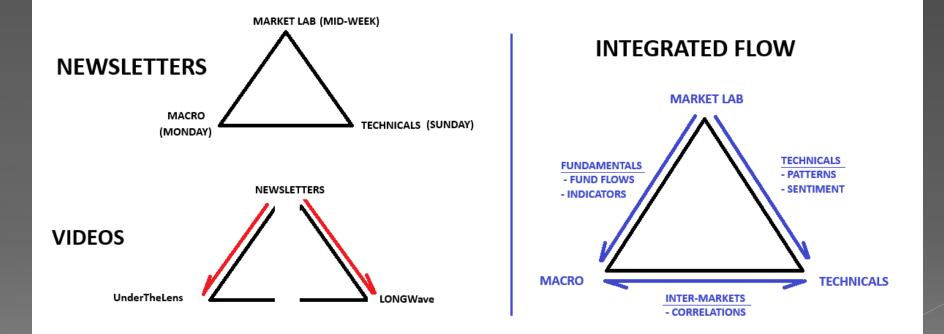
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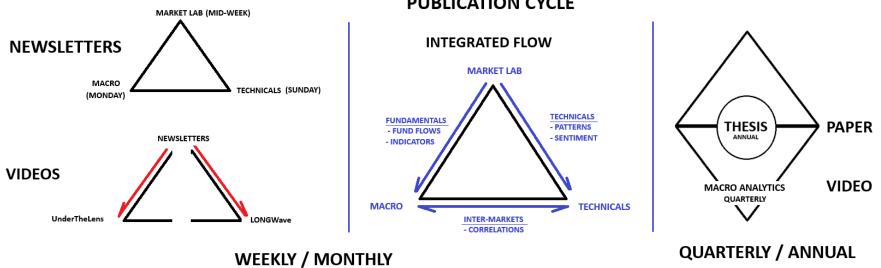
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MARKET MONITOR







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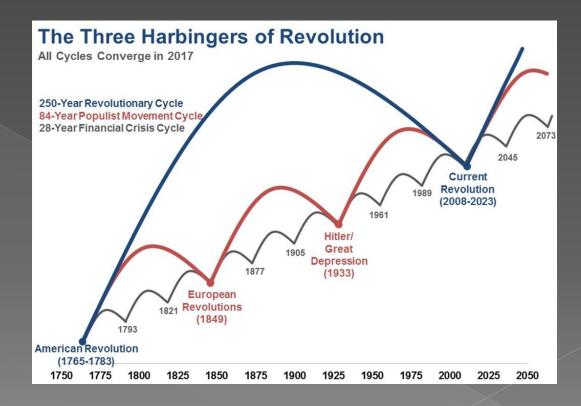
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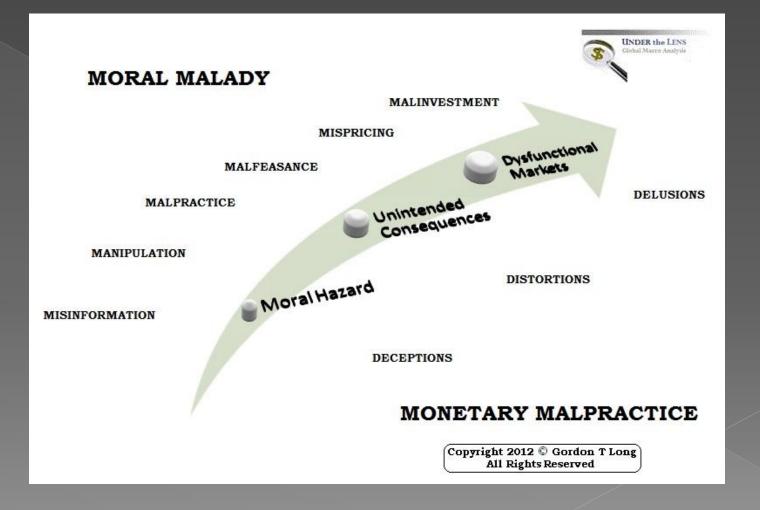
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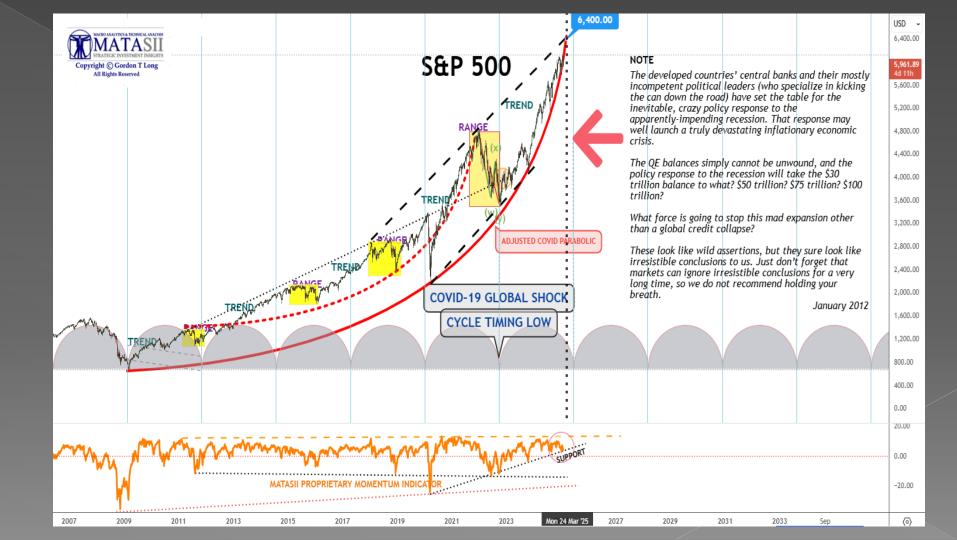
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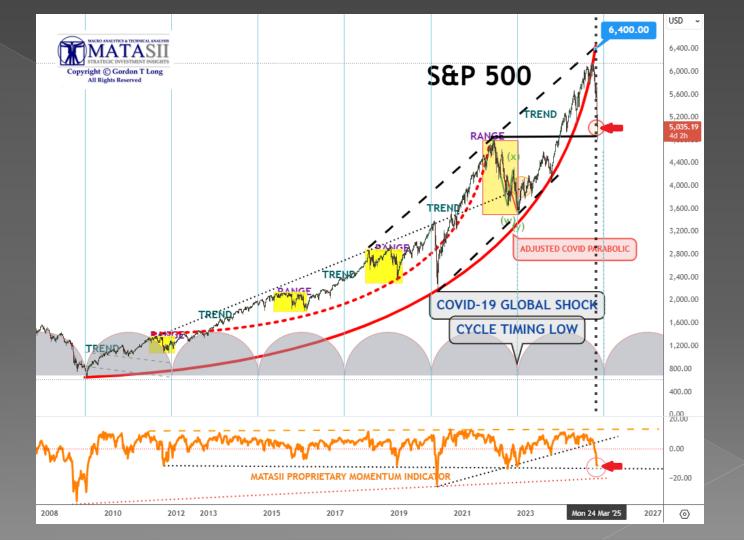
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SITUATIONAL ANALYSIS

We believe stocks were initially slammed by China's 34% US Import Tariff with traders fearful of equities approaching circuit breaker levels. This distorted responses and contributed to after cash close selling in offshore markets (showed itself Monday AM before bouncing).
 However, it was highly likely (with credit worries with credit spreads surging) a De-grossing or Risk

reduction still ahead.

• What is clear is that Recession is now the base case for a surging number of economists.

 China's 34% Tariff announcement on imported goods signaled China is ready to fight - not prepared to negotiate until it modifies its current position.

■ Remember China's US Import Tariffs are now 10% +10% + 34% = 54%.

AS A CONSEQUENCES

Global markets on Friday began pricing in:

1. TRADE WARS HAVE BEGUN.

- 2. A RECESSION HAS BEGUN AND IS BEING PRICED IN WITH REDUCED EARNINGS & PE VALUATIONS.
- 3. CURRENCY WARS FOLLOW FROM TRADE WARS.
- 4. COMMODITIES WILL BE HURT ON TRADE MORE THAN GAINING ON A POTENTIAL WEAKER DOLLAR.

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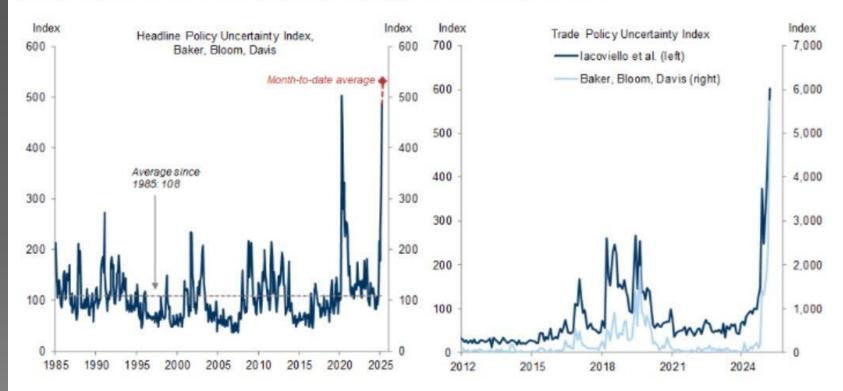
• The MATASII Elliott Wave Fractal Pattern of "WXYXZ" is still the count, but SOONER (shorter duration) and FASTER ((Increased rate / steepness).

 There is still a strong possibility of a large degree ending diagonal labeled an ABCDE with A, C & E replacing the down legs of W,Y, & Z.

The three down legs (W,Y, Z) are likely to be:

Leg W: **TARIFFS** (nearing completion) Leg Y: **STAGFLATION** - Increasing worry of Growth + Inflation Leg Z: **RECESSION** - Historically Long Overdue

Exhibit 2: Measures of Overall Economic Policy Uncertainty and Trade Policy Uncertainty in Particular Have Increased Notably in Recent Months, Surpassing the 2018-2019 Trade War Peaks



Source: Goldman Sachs Global Investment Research, PolicyUncertainty.com, Matteo Iacoviello

WHAT COMES AFTER TARIFFS

If President Trump is following the playbook laid out in a recent paper by Stephen Miran — Chairman of the President's Council of Economic Advisers — it could be a **Dollar Devaluation**.

We featured the Miran roadmap "A User's Guide to Restructuring the Global Trading System" in last weekend's newsletter. A roadmap for upending the post-war global economic order.

REMEMBER: TRUMP APPOINTED STEPHEN MIRAN HIS CHAIRMAN OF THE POWERFUL COUNCIL OF ECONOMIC ADVISORS.

WHAT COMES AFTER TARIFFS

According to Miran's plan, Trump would:

Hike tariffs sharply (as he just did), then
 Convene a "Mar-a-Lago Accord" with U.S. trading partners to push through a coordinated DOLLAR DE-VALUATION — in an attempt to boost U.S. competitiveness and manufacturing.

Foreign investors now hold \$57 trillion of U.S. Dollar-denominated financial assets. It won't take much for panic to set in once they realize a devaluation may be coming.
That's how a **Run On The Dollar** could begin. And not just by foreign investors — Americans may also begin dumping their Dollar holdings as trust in U.S. economic policy erodes.

• A sudden collapse in the Dollar could be the catalyst for the next leg down in global stock prices.

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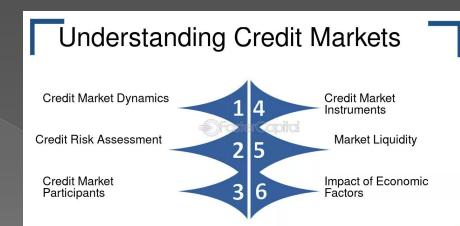
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Credit and Wealth US\$ Millions, 1951 to Q3 2024

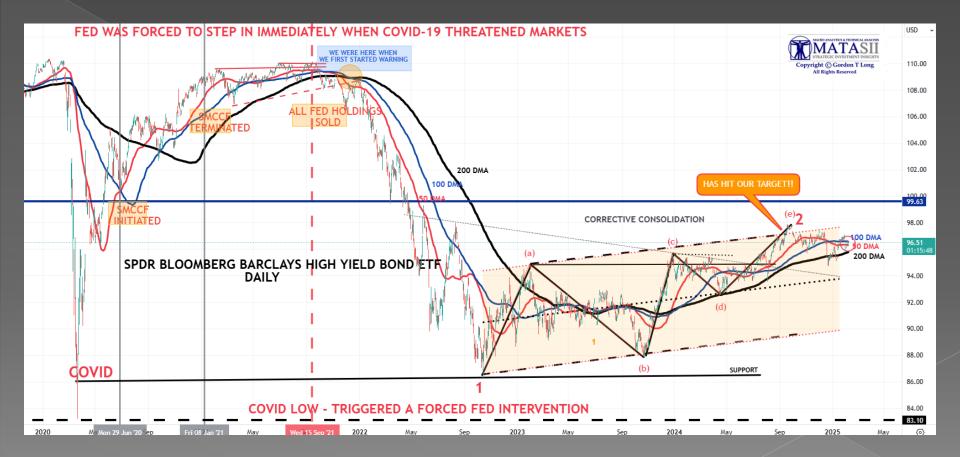


2023 2021 2019 2017 2015

180,000,000

160,000,000Wealth floats on an ocean of Credit. If Credit were to contract, Wealth would 140,000,000 Crash. Look what happened to 120,000,000 Wealth when Credit took a very small dip in early 2009 (the only time it has 100.000.000 contracted since 1951). Wealth 80,000,000 contracted sharply – until surging Government Debt and QE pushed 60,000,000 it back up. 40,000,000 2009 20,000,000 2009 2007 2005 2003 2003 2001 1999 1997 1997 1995 1955 1953 1951 1957 1959 1961 1967 1969 1987 1985 1991 2011 2013 1963 1965 1979 1983 1989 1975 1977 197 1973 861 Total Credit Households Net Worth





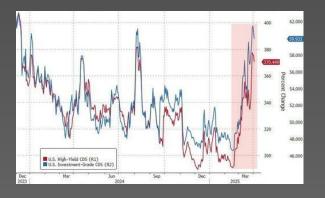


Donald Trump's "liberation day" tariff blitz has sparked the biggest sell-off in the US junk bond market since 2020, signaling growing angst among investors that an economic slowdown will hit corporate America.

The premium investors demand to hold speculative-rated corporate debt compared to that offered by US government bonds — a proxy for default risk — has shot up by 1 percentage point to 4.45 percentage points since Wednesday, ICE BofA data shows. That is the biggest rise since corona virus triggered widespread lockdowns in 2020.

"Credit is obviously a canary in the coal mine. Credit tends to go first . . . if the economy's going to roll over, the odds of a recession pick up and then you're going to see spreads blow out." Brian Levitt, global market strategist at Invesco.

On Friday, JPMorgan slashed its US economic forecasts, predicting:
A contraction of 0.3 per cent in 2025 — down from an earlier growth estimate of 1.3 per cent.
It also said the jobless rate would rise to 5.3 per cent, from 4.2 per cent in March.



HY CDS v IG CDS Credit markets steadied but remain near 16 month wides.

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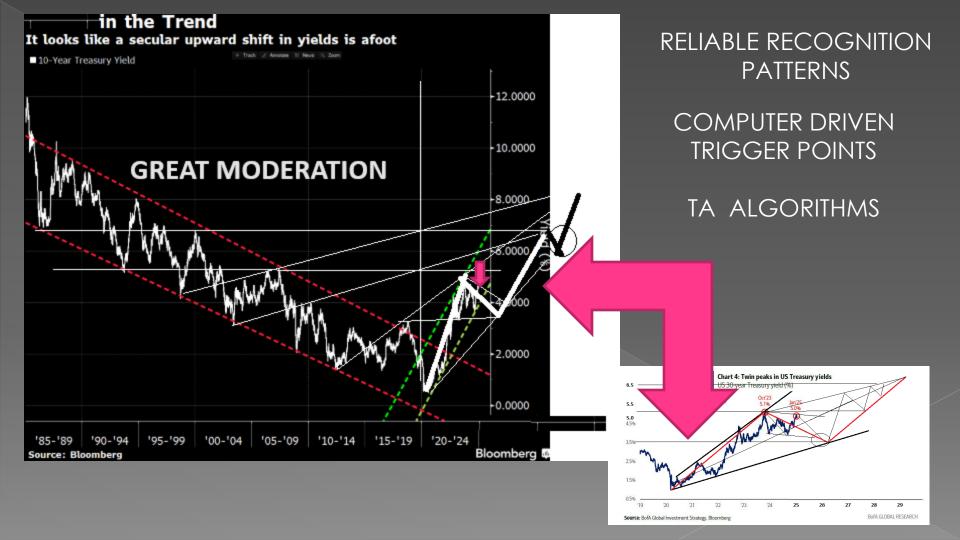
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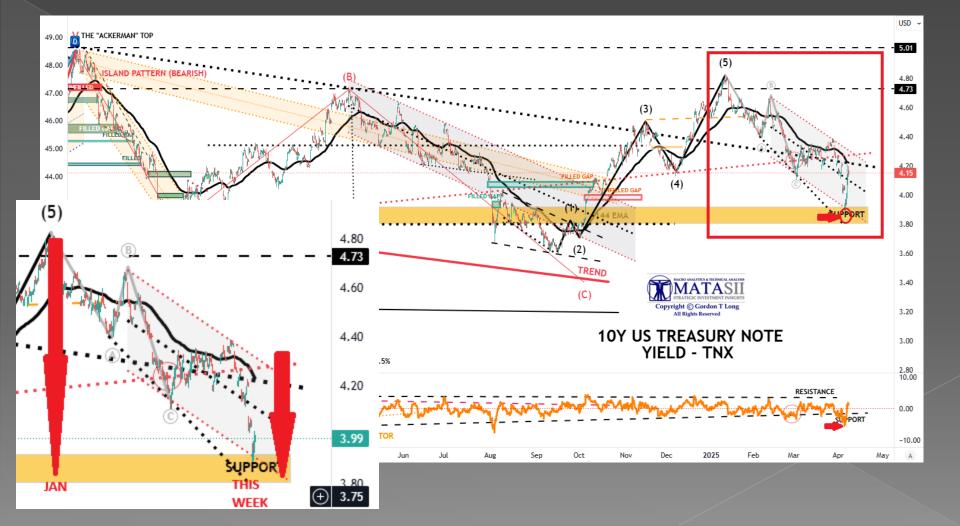
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RECESSION v STAGFLATION

• We learned what a recession with high inflation (or stagflation) means.

• Stagflation recessions now yield 3.85% to 4.00% (10-year). That's it.

•When the recession is removed, stagflation becomes just inflation, and a 4% 10-year yield is way too low.

• Want to see yields lower than 3.85%? This requires the economy to sink so far that it kills inflation, turning stagflation into just a recession.

 At its worst this past week, no one thought the coming recession (if we have one, I have my doubts) would be this bad.

• So, the market is priced in a stagflation recession, and that is 3.85% to 4.00%.

• For some context, yields are basically unchanged now since trump unveiled the tariffs (from being down notably as stocks fell), while stocks remain down hard... and **the divergence started when China retaliated...**

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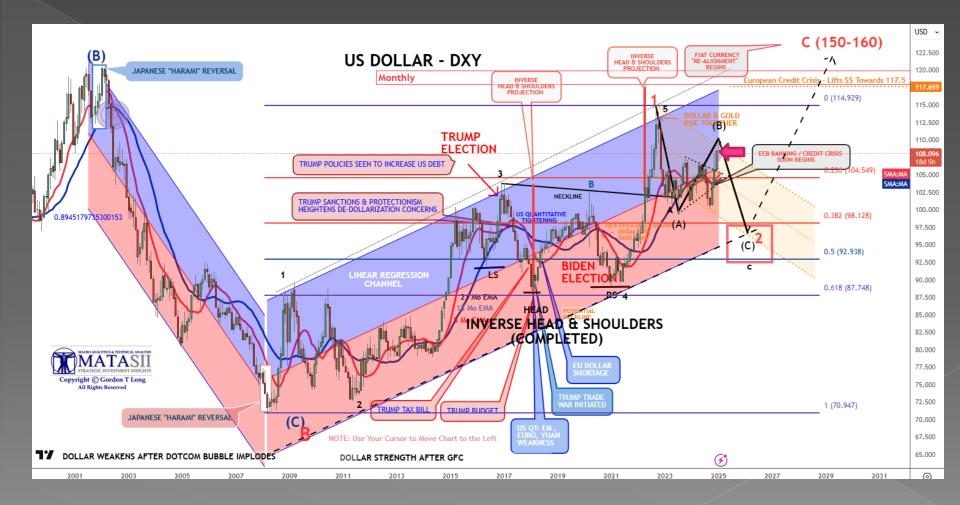
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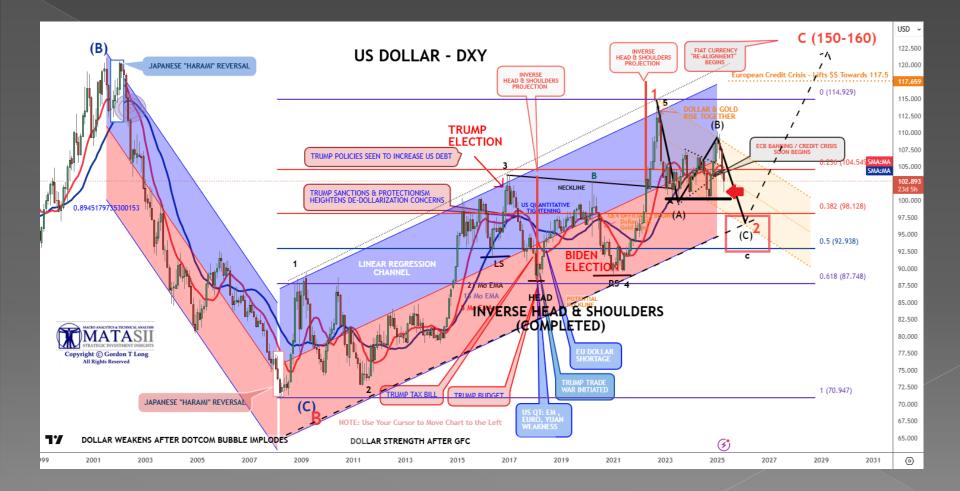
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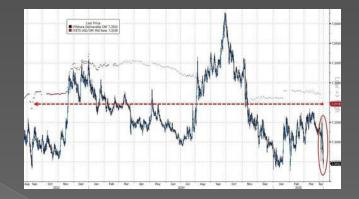




CHINA - USDCNH

Implied volatilities are climbing, but haven't yet reached the levels seen just before the US elections in November, which suggests traders have room to build USD/CNH exposure. Indeed, the volatility curve looks set to go inverted which is a signal that extreme currency moves are expected.

Of course, China hinting at devaluation is a huge risk: China has \$60 trillion in deposits, 3x more than the US. If this capital starts to flee, it will have catastrophic consequences. In 2015/16 we saw this, and it started the great move in bitcoin from \$200 to \$20,000



The PBOC Yuan fixing was above 7.2/USD for the first time since September 2023.

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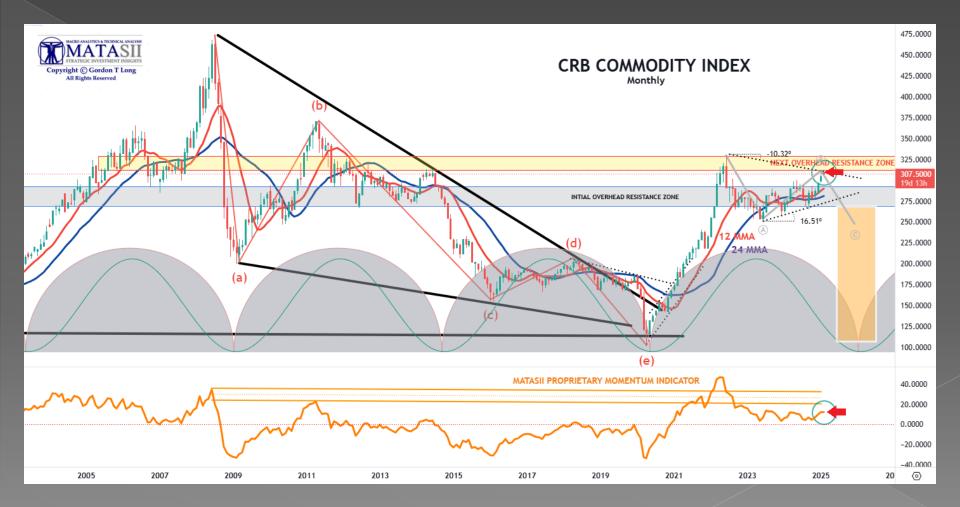
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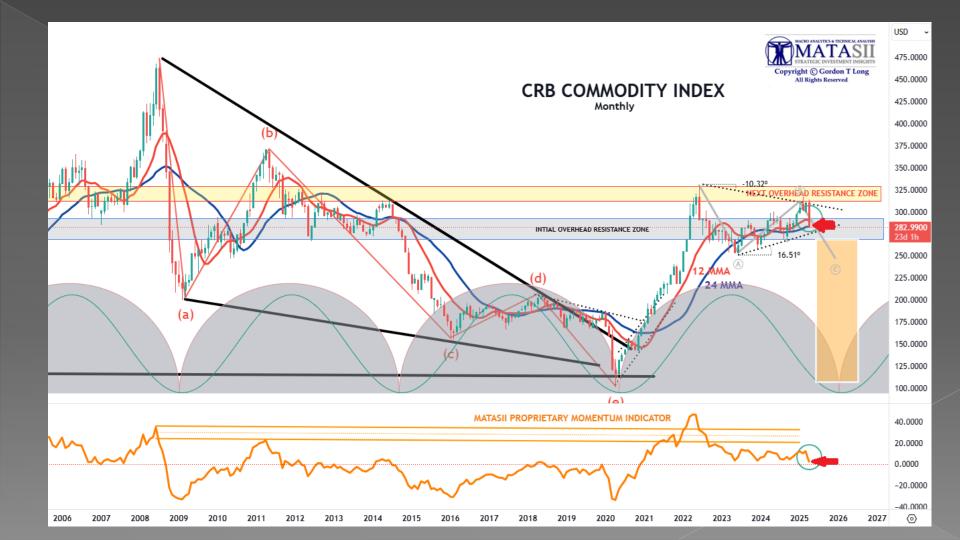
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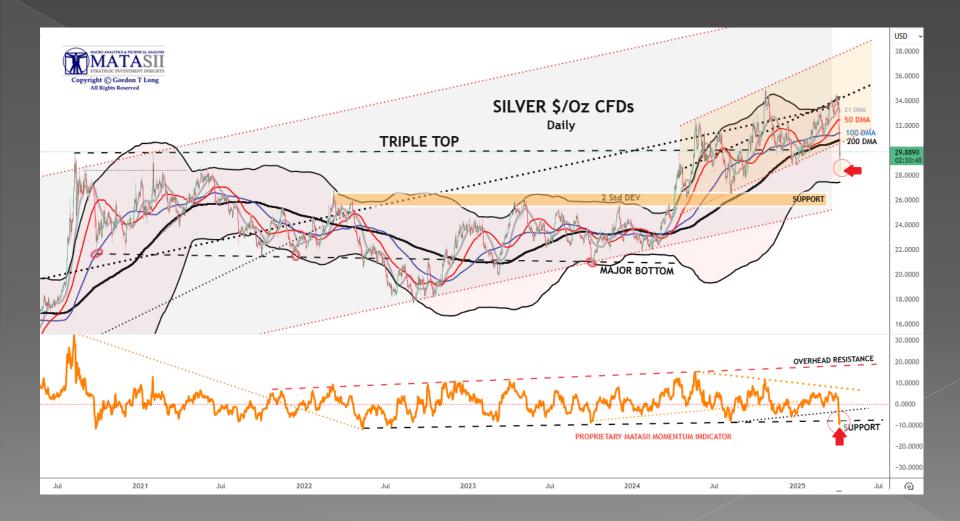
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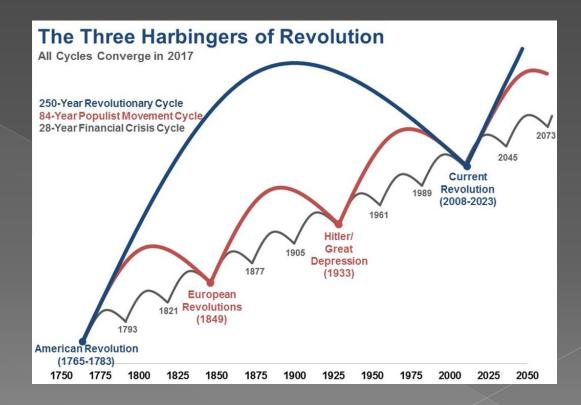
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ADMINISTRATIONS CHANGE – BUT THE PRINTING NEVER DOES

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EVERYONE IS NOW IN PLACE & READY!!





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