

**GENERAL MOTORS CORPORATION IS IN BANKRUPTCY COURT:
THE UNCERTAINTY IS OVER –
THE U.S. GOVERNMENT NATIONALISES THE GIANT**

U.S. Unemployment Level Rises To 9.40 Percent

As expected, General Motors Corporation, once the largest manufacturer of motor vehicles in the world, filed Chapter 11 in the US Bankruptcy Court.

It is the largest corporate failure in the history of the United States of America.

Chapter 11 will give the company time to restructure its finances while, at the same time, it is protected from its known 100,000 creditors.

General Motors Corporation has Current Liabilities of about \$US173 billion.

It employs about 173,000 workers throughout the US, Canada and Mexico.

Last year, the company reported losses of about \$US30 billion.

What will happen, now, is that General Motors Corporation will be nationalised by the US Government, which will end up, owning about 60 percent of the Issued and Fully Paid-Up Share Capital.

The US Government will inject about \$US30 billion into the company to keep the assembly lines rolling.

The move by General Motors Corporation, however, will probably result in some 20,000 workers, joining the unemployment lines.

The decision by General Motors Corporation to drive the same route as did Chrysler LLP caused few jitters on Wall Street – because investors had well expected the move.

The uncertainty in respect of this once, Detroit giant ushered in a sigh of relief in some quarters because the alternative to a Chapter 11 filing would have been much worse.

Wall Street investors charged in, picking up stocks and shares of their '*darlings*'.

On The New York Stock Exchange, the Dow Jones Industrial Average shot up 221.11 points, equivalent to about 2.60 percent, ending the trading day at 8,721.44 points.

The Composite Index of The NASDAQ put on 54.35 points, or about 3.06 percent, rising to 1,826.68 points.

The ratio of advancing counters to declining ones was about 4.00:One on The New York Stock Exchange and about 3.00:One on The NASDAQ.

Various Wall Street gurus had various theories about the rapid gains on Wall Street, all of which made some sense if one is good at generalisation and rationalisation.

A key belief was that the manufacturing sectors of the economies of the US and the People's Republic of China (PRC) were on the road to rapid recoveries: The worst of the recession is history.

Ah! Yes!

News Wise

- **Chrysler LLP** has secured US Court approval for a consortium, led by Fiat Automobiles SpA (of Italy), to acquire all of Chrysler's assets. The arrangement is endorsed by the US and Canadian Governments which, in turn, will provide \$US8 billion in loans to the new Chrysler.

Wall Street's bullishness resulted in European investors, hopping aboard the US bandwagon, driving the key indices of the most-important bourses to much higher levels:

Amsterdam's AEX Index	Plus	3.45 percent
France's CAC 40 Index	Plus	3.10 percent
Germany's Frankfurt XETRA DAX Index	Plus	4.08 percent
Great Britain's FTSE 100 Index	Plus	1.99 percent
Italy's FTSE Italia All-Share	Plus	2.91 percent
Switzerland's Swiss Market Index	Closed	

Energy and energy related companies were among the best performers of the day as the price of crude oil scooted up, smartly.

The theory was that, as the major economies of the world righted themselves, once again, the requirement for crude oil would increase, also.

On The New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX), the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil for delivery in July was \$US68.58, up about 3.42 percent on the close of Friday, May 29, 2009.

As for delivery in August, the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil came in at \$US69.37, an increase of about 3.43 percent on the final quote of the previous Friday.

In Asia, every key index of every major equity market made very material gains, last Monday – without the assistance of the comments from Wall Street gurus and before General Motors Corporation had filed for Chapter 11.

In the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the PRC, both equity markets rose, but it was the premier equity market where the larger gains were recorded.

The Hang Seng Index, which is the premier equity market of the territory, rose about 3.95 percent to 18,888.59 points on a Total Turnover of about \$HK100.27 billion.

That ratio of gaining counters to losing ones was about 2.92:One.

The Ten Most Active counters were:

China Construction Bank Corporation (Code: 939)	Up 2.98 percent to \$HK5.19 per share
China Life Insurance Company Ltd (Code: 2628)	Up 6.55 percent to \$HK30.10 per share
China Mobile Ltd (Code: 941)	Up 6.08 percent to \$HK80.30 per share
HSBC Holdings plc (Code: 5)	Up 3.36 percent to \$HK70.80 per share
Bank of China Ltd (Code: 3988)	Up 0.29 percent to \$HK3.49 per share
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Ltd (Code: 1398)	Up 4.71 percent to \$HK5.11 per share
China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation (Code: 386)	Up 3.38 percent to \$HK6.43 per share
PetroChina Company Ltd (Code: 857)	Up 5.62 percent to \$HK9.39 per share
CNOOC Ltd (Code: 883)	Up 8.82 percent to \$HK11.10 per share
Hongkong Exchanges and Clearing Ltd (Code: 388)	Up 4.60 percent to \$HK125.00 per share

As for the Main Board's biggest movers of the day, they included:

Name of Company	Code	Increase (%)	Decrease (%)	Closing Price (\$HK)
Beijing Development (Hongkong) Ltd	154	15.00		1.38
Capital Strategic Investment Ltd	497	20.40		0.23
China Aerospace International Holdings Ltd	31	25.00		0.90
China Infrastructure Investment Ltd	600	15.10		0.213
China Properties Group Ltd	1838	16.30		2.79
City e-Solutions Ltd	557	16.30		0.57
Frasers Property (China) Ltd	535	23.20		0.154

Green Global Resources Ltd	61	15.50		0.82
Hopson Development Holdings Ltd	754	21.20		13.60
Man Yue International Holdings Ltd	894	16.70		1.05
Minmetals Land Ltd	230	19.70		1.40
Moiselle International Holdings Ltd	130	22.20		1.10
New Media Group Holdings Ltd	708	17.60		0.28
PYI Corporation Ltd	498	28.20		1.00
Regent Pacific Group Ltd	575	20.40		0.26
Ruyan Group (Holdings) Ltd	329	18.10		0.49
Shun Cheong Holdings Ltd	650	29.60		0.35
SRE Group Ltd	1207	15.50		1.19
Time Infrastructure Holdings Ltd	686	21.40		0.85
Uni-Bio Science Group Ltd	690	24.00		0.124
Wing Hing International (Holdings) Ltd	621	26.30		1.20
Wing Lee Holdings Ltd	876	20.40		0.59

Over on The **Growth Enterprise Market (The GEM)** of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, its Growth Enterprise Index gained about 0.15 percent, ending the trading day at 559.80 points.

The ratio of gainers to losers was 1.49:One, exactly.

The Total Turnover was about \$HK471.98 million.

The 5, most-active counters, in terms of their respective turnovers, only, were:

Shandong Weigao Group Medical
Polymer Company Ltd (Code: 8199)

Down 4.09 percent to \$HK17.82 per share

Wah Sang Gas Holdings Ltd (Code: 8035)

Down 10.84 percent to \$HK0.37 per share

Neolink Cyber Technology (Holding) Ltd (Code:
8116)

Up 0.82 percent to \$HK0.247 per share

Grand T G Gold Holdings Ltd (Code: 8299)

Up 7.14 percent to \$HK0.165 per share

Heng Xin China Holdings Ltd (Code: 8046)

Up 1.41 percent to \$HK0.72 per share

As for The GEM's double-digit movers, they included:

Name of Company	Code	Increase (%)	Decrease (%)	Closing Price (\$HK)
abc Multiactive Ltd	8131	29.80		0.17
AcrossAsia Ltd	8061		12.90	0.061
AGTech Holdings Ltd	8279	10.00		0.44
Armitage Technologies Holding Ltd	8213		19.30	0.096
Beijing Beida Jade Bird Universal Sci-Tech Company Ltd	8095		11.50	0.27
Brilliant Arts Multi-Media Holding Ltd	8130	14.60		0.275
Byford International Ltd	8272	16.10		0.72
Era Information and Entertainment Ltd	8043	10.00		0.22
Essex Bio-Technology Ltd	8151		10.80	0.232
First China Financial Holdings Ltd	8123	11.10		0.35
Golife Concepts Holdings Ltd	8172	11.50		0.146
GreaterChina Technology Group Ltd	8032	19.10		0.081
HC International Incorporated	8292	26.40		0.55
Info Communication Holdings Ltd	8082	12.00		0.168
Northeast Tiger Pharmaceutical Company Ltd	8197	17.60		0.14
Shaanxi Northwest New Technology Industry Company Ltd	8258		13.60	0.121
Shanghai Fudan-Zhangjiang Bio-Pharmaceutical Company Ltd	8231	10.70		0.62

Shanxi Changcheng Microlight Equipment Company Ltd	8286	35.00		0.54
TeleEye Holdings Ltd	8051	21.20		0.20
Vinco Financial Group Ltd	8340	24.10		0.18
Wah Sang Gas Holdings Ltd	8035		10.80	0.37
Zheda Lande Scitech Ltd	8106	15.60		0.20

In Japan, the key indices of the country's 3 equity markets made very useful gains.

On The Tokyo Stock Exchange, which is the premier equity market of The Land of The Rising Sun, its TOPIX Index rose about 1.63 percent to 912.52 points.

Advancing counters outran declining ones by the ratio of about 3.04:One.

The Nikkei-225 Stock Average, which is a much-narrower gauge of trading on select blue chips, listed on The First Section of The Tokyo Stock Exchange, than The TOPIX Index, gained ¥155.25, equivalent to 1.63 percent, exactly, running up to ¥9,677.75.

News Wise

- Sales of motor vehicles in Japan continue to decline, according to statistics, collated by The Japan Automobile Dealers Association. **Toyota Motor Corporation** saw a 19-percent fall in sales of domestic vehicles in May, **Nissan Motor Company** saw a contraction of about 9.10 percent in sales in May, but **Honda Motor Company** recorded a 4.50-percent gain in sales of its vehicles in May; and,
- **Wages in Japan** fell for the 11th consecutive month in April, The Health, Labour and Welfare Ministry announced. Year-On-Year, April's monthly wages, including overtime and bonuses, dropped about 2.50 percent. In March, wages declined about 3.90 percent, the fastest pace since July of 2002.

This was how things looked on other Asian equity markets, last Monday night:

The HKSAR	Hang Seng Index Plus 3.95 percent to 18,888.59 The Growth Enterprise Index Plus 0.15 percent to 559.80
Indonesia	Plus 4.26 percent to 1,998.58
Japan	TOPIX Index Plus 1.63 percent to 912.52 Nikkei-225 Stock Average Plus 1.63 percent to 9,677.75
Malaysia	Plus 1.69 percent to 1,061.80

The Philippines	Plus 2.90 percent to 2,458.65
The PRC	Shanghai Composite Index Plus 3.36 percent to 2,721.28 Shenzhen Composite Index Plus 2.17 percent to 900.93
Singapore	Plus 2.19 percent to 2,380.07
South Korea	Plus 1.38 percent to 1,415.10
Taiwan	Plus 0.92 percent to 6,954.10
Thailand	Plus 3.49 percent to 579.98

Tuesday

Compared with Monday's booming equity markets of the US, trading on Wall Street, last Tuesday, could only be described as a damp squib.

Nevertheless, the gurus of the largest equity markets of the world described trading as being moderate and indicative of this and that and, after all, it was the fourth consecutive day that the Dow Jones Industrial Average scored positively.

In truth, however, The Dow vacillated between the red and the black for all of the trading day and just squeezed in a positive figure at the close.

Generalisations and rationalisations abounded as one heard such dribble as: *'Well, it could have been much worse, you know.'*

The US Government, in trying to justify its '*nationalisation*' of General Motors Corporation, warned of more troubles in the US motor-vehicle industry in the months ahead and, although more than 20,000 workers in this industry will, undoubtedly, have to search for alternative methods of earning a living, '*sacrifices*' have to be made for the sake of the entire US economy.

When there is no milk for baby, one may only ponder what a young mother would think on listening to the US President's pleas for sacrifices ... as the breadwinner finds himself out of work.

President Barack Hussein Obama explained to the world that the US Government does not want to run General Motors Corporation, but there is no other way to save the dying giant.

(As **TARGET** [] recalls, giants rarely live to a ripe old age due to hyperactive hormones, among other things.)

On The New York Stock Exchange, The Dow put on about 0.22 percent, edging up to 8,740.87 points.

The Composite Index of The NASDAQ rose 0.44 percent to 1,836.80 points.

Advancing counters outpaced declining ones by about 1.50:One on The New York Stock Exchange and by

about 1.25:One on The NASDAQ.

On The New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX), the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil for delivery in July was \$HK68.55, down about 0.04 percent on the Monday's closing level.

As for delivery in August, the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil came in at \$US69.43, representing an improvement of about 0.09 percent on the final quote of Monday.

On European bourses, trading was relatively quiet, with the key indices of the biggest bourses, either rising or falling by fractions:

Amsterdam's AEX Index	Plus	0.21 percent
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France's CAC 40 Index	Minus	0.04 percent
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Germany's Frankfurt XETRA DAX Index	Plus	0.02 percent
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Great Britain's FTSE 100 Index	Minus	0.64 percent
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Italy's FTSE Italia All-Share	Plus	0.15 percent
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Switzerland's Swiss Market Index	Plus	1.54 percent
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Investors in this part of the world continued to repeat what is now trite: *'The worst is over!'*

Oh! Wait for the morrow before you determine to borrow.

In Asia, the bullishness of Monday was replaced by mild bearishness of Tuesday.

In the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC), the key indices of the territory's equity markets fell – with a clunk!

On the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, The Hang Seng Index shed about 2.65 percent to 18,389.08 points on a Total Turnover of about \$HK101.86 billion.

The ratio of declining counters to advancing ones was about 2.59:One.

The Ten Most Active counters were:

Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Ltd
(Code: 1398)

Down 4.11 percent to \$HK4.90 per share

China Mobile Ltd (Code: 941)

Down 3.86 percent to \$HK77.20 per share

China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation
(Code: 386)

Down 6.22 percent to \$HK6.03 per share

China Life Insurance Company Ltd (Code: 2628)

Down 2.82 percent to \$HK29.25 per share

HSBC Holdings plc (Code: 5)

Down 3.88 percent to \$HK68.05 per share

China Construction Bank Corporation (Code:
939)

Down 1.93 percent to \$HK5.09 per share

Bank of China Ltd (Code: 3988)

Down 2.01 percent to \$HK3.42 per share

CNOOC Ltd (Code: 883)

Down 1.62 percent to \$HK10.92 per share

Hongkong Exchanges and Clearing Ltd (Code:
388)

Down 1.76 percent to \$HK122.80 per share

PetroChina Company Ltd (Code: 857)

Down 3.62 percent to \$HK9.05 per share

The biggest movers of the Main Board included:

Name of Company	Code	Increase (%)	Decrease (%)	Closing Price (\$HK)
ABC Communications (Holdings) Ltd	30	21.70		1.46
Bright Prosperous Holdings Ltd	723		17.90	0.119
Chaoyue Group Ltd	147	35.70		3.00
Kantone Holdings Ltd	1059	19.20		0.236
Ming Fung Jewellery Group Ltd	860	15.10		0.61
S.A.S. Dragon Holdings Ltd	1184		16.00	0.63
Skyfame Realty (Holdings) Ltd	59	49.50		0.68
Vision Tech International Holdings Ltd	922	24.60		0.405
Xingfa Aluminium Holdings Ltd	98	15.00		1.69
Xingye Copper International Group Ltd	505	35.80		1.29

On The **Growth Enterprise Market (The GEM)** of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, its Growth Enterprise Index shed one percent, exactly, dropping back to 554.18 points.

The Total Turnover on this market was about \$HK380.38 million.

Declining counters outran advancing ones by the ratio of about 1.96:One.

The 5, most-active counters, in terms of their respective turnovers, only, were:

Shandong Weigao Group Medical
Polymer Company Ltd (Code: 8199)

Up 3.70 percent to \$HK18.48 per share

Enviro Energy International Holdings Ltd (Code:
8182)

Up 5.05 percent to \$HK0.52 per share

Neolink Cyber Technology (Holding) Ltd (Code:
8116)

Down 0.81 percent to \$HK0.245 per share

Grand T G Gold Holdings Ltd (Code: 8299)

Down 9.09 percent to \$HK0.15 per share

Golden Meditech Company Ltd (Code: 8180)

Down 4.17 percent to \$HK1.15 per share

The GEM's double-digit movers of the day included:

Name of Company	Code	Increase (%)	Decrease (%)	Closing Price (\$HK)
Beijing Beida Jade Bird Universal Sci-Tech Company Ltd	8095	25.90		0.34
Byford International Ltd	8272		15.30	0.61
Crosby Capital Ltd	8088		14.30	0.27
DIGITALHONGKONG.COM	8007	15.20		0.76
ePRO Ltd	8086		11.80	0.097
Essex Bio-Technology Ltd	8151	18.50		0.275
HC International Incorporated	8292		18.20	0.45
Jian ePayment Systems Ltd	8165		16.10	0.151
Jiangsu NandaSoft Technology Company Ltd	8045	11.50		0.29
Linefan Technology Holdings Ltd	8166	21.30		0.91

Mobile Telecom Network (Holdings) Ltd	8266		12.20	0.13
New Universe International Group Ltd	8068		11.30	0.102
North Asia Strategic Holdings Ltd	8080	35.10		1.00
Powerleader Science and Technology Group Ltd	8236	16.70		0.175
Shanxi Changcheng Microlight Equipment Company Ltd	8286	24.10		0.67
South China Land Ltd	8155	26.40		0.55
Tai Shing International (Holdings) Ltd	8103		10.70	0.25
Vinco Financial Group Ltd	8340	26.70		0.228
WLS Holdings Ltd	8021		10.00	0.117
Zheda Lande Scitech Ltd	8106	10.00		0.22
Zhejiang Prospect Company Ltd	8273	13.30		0.85
Zmay Holdings Ltd	8085	10.00		0.33

It was a similar story on the equity markets of Japan.

On The Tokyo Stock Exchange, its TOPIX Index rose about 0.11 percent to 913.56 points.

The ratio of gainers to losers was about 1.40:One.

The Nikkei-225 Stock Average put on about 0.27 percent, ending the trading day at ¥9,704.31.

This was the way that things looked on other Asian equity markets, last Tuesday night:

The HKSAR	Hang Seng Index Minus 2.65 percent to 18,389.08 The Growth Enterprise Index Minus 1.00 percent to 554.18
Indonesia	Unchanged
Japan	TOPIX Index Plus 0.11 percent to 913.56 Nikkei-225 Stock Average Plus 0.27 percent to 9,704.31
Malaysia	Plus 0.17 percent to 1,063.62

The Philippines	Plus 1.29 percent to 2,490.42
The PRC	Shanghai Composite Index Plus 0.11 percent to 2,724.30 Shenzhen Composite Index Plus 0.73 percent to 907.50
Singapore	Minus 0.18 percent to 2,375.82
South Korea	Minus 0.16 percent to 1,412.85
Taiwan	Minus 0.07 percent to 6,949.08
Thailand	Minus 0.98 percent to 574.30

Wednesday

Share prices collapsed on US equity markets, last Wednesday, due to at least 3, completely unrelated factors:

1. A material fall in the price of crude oil;
2. US Labour Department's statistics, showing that unemployment in many parts of the US, during the month of April, had hit the 10-percent level; and,
3. Negative statements, made by the Chairman of the US Federal Reserve, Dr Ben S. Bernanke.

On The New York Stock Exchange, the Dow Jones Industrial Average lost about 0.75 percent as investors pushed it back to 8,675.24 points.

The Composite Index of The NASDAQ shed about 0.59 percent, dropping to 1,825.92 points.

Declining counters outpaced advancing ones by the ratio of about 2.67:One on The New York Stock Exchange and by about 1.60:One on The NASDAQ.

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- **The US Labour Department** announced that employers of the private sector of service industry of the economy had sacked about 532,000 workers, during the month of May; and,
- The Chairman of The Fed, **Dr Ben S. Bernanke**, told The House of Representatives Budget Committee of The Congress that he expected some growth in the US economy, this year, but not very robust growth.

On The **New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX)**, the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil for delivery in July came in at \$US66.12, down about 3.54 percent, compared with Tuesday's final quote.

As for delivery in August, the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil was \$US67.09, representing a fall of about 3.70 percent, compared with the previous close of Tuesday.

The weaker US dollar, vis-à-vis other '*hard*' currencies, is pushing up the price of crude oil because

payment for imported fossil fuels has, historically, been settled in US dollars.

On European equity markets, the penny appeared to have dropped, last Wednesday, as it became only too apparent that the global recession was not over, after all.

Further, the chances were that the recession would not end for most of the developed world, this year, and would spill over into the middle of 2010.

US trade and US unemployment statistics indicated to European investors, inter alia, that the euphoria on global equity markets over the past fortnight or so had not been justified.

Banking counters took a beating on the major European bourses, last Wednesday.

The following is **TARGET**'s list of the key indices of the major bourses in this part of the world:

Amsterdam's AEX Index	Minus 1.71 percent
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France's CAC 40 Index	Minus 2.02 percent
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Germany's Frankfurt XETRA DAX Index	Minus 1.74 percent
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Great Britain's FTSE 100 Index	Minus 2.09 percent
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Italy's FTSE Italia All-Share	Minus 1.89 percent
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Switzerland's Swiss Market Index	Minus 0.87 percent
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In Asia, last Wednesday, there was a great deal of tooting and froing among investors, but, by the close of the trading day, the key indices of major equity markets were in the black.

On The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, the key indices of its 2 equity markets made useful gains as investors of the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC) decided to continue along a somewhat, well-worn bullish path.

The Hang Seng Index, which is the benchmark of the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, gained about 1.02 percent, rising to 18,576.47 points.

The Total Turnover was about \$HK90.63 billion, while the ratio of advancing counters to declining ones was about 2.10:One.

The Ten Most Active counters were:

HSBC Holdings plc (Code: 5)	Down 1.76 percent to \$HK66.85 per share
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China Mobile Ltd (Code: 941)	Up 1.88 percent to \$HK78.65 per share
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China Life Insurance Company Ltd (Code: 2628)	Up 1.88 percent to \$HK29.80 per share
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China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation
(Code: 386)

Down 0.33 percent to \$HK6.01 per share

Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Ltd
(Code: 1398)

Up 1.02 percent to \$HK4.95 per share

China Construction Bank Corporation (Code: 939)

Up 1.38 percent to \$HK5.16 per share

PetroChina Company Ltd (Code: 857)

Up 1.88 percent to \$HK9.22 per share

Bank of China Ltd (Code: 3988)

Up 2.05 percent to \$HK3.49 per share

Hongkong Exchanges and Clearing Ltd (Code:
388)

Up 2.85 percent to \$HK126.30 per share

China COSCO Holdings Company Ltd (Code:
1919)

Up 8.38 percent to \$HK11.90 per share

The biggest movers of the Main Board numbered 37 counters in all, of which number, the share prices of 35 counters rose and the share prices of 2 counters fell.

The biggest gainer of the day was CVM Minerals Ltd (Code: 705), its share price, rising 44.76 percent to \$HK1.51.

The biggest loser was Harmony Asset Ltd (Code: 428) as investors pulled down its share price to \$HK3.12, a one-day fall of about 16.80 percent.

On The **G**rowth **E**nterprise **M**arket (**The GEM**) of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, its Growth Enterprise Index put on about 1.56 percent, ending the trading day at 562.85 points.

The Total Turnover on this market was about \$HK400.04 million.

Advancing counters outran declining ones by the ratio of about 1.21:One.

The 5, most-active counters, in terms of their respective turnovers, only, were:

Golden Meditech Company Ltd (Code: 8180)

Up 15.65 percent to \$HK1.33 per share

Neolink Cyber Technology (Holding) Ltd (Code:
8116)

Down 0.82 percent to \$HK0.243 per share

Shandong Weigao Group Medical
Polymer Company Ltd (Code: 8199)

Up 1.19 percent to \$HK18.70 per share

Wah Sang Gas Holdings Ltd (Code: 8035)

Down 6.58 percent to \$HK0.355 per share

Enviro Energy International Holdings Ltd (Code:
8182)

Unchanged at \$HK0.52 per share

As for The GEM's double-digit movers of the day, they included:

Name of Company	Code	Increase (%)	Decrease (%)	Closing Price (\$HK)
iMerchants Ltd	8009	11.10		0.60
Prosten Technology Holdings Ltd	8026		16.30	0.36
Excel Technology International Holdings Ltd	8048	10.60		0.073
TeleEye Holdings Ltd	8051	10.00		0.23
Global Link Communications Holdings Ltd	8060	12.10		0.13
Sing Lee Software (Group) Ltd	8076		11.10	0.16
North Asia Strategic Holdings Ltd	8080		10.00	0.90
Computech Holdings Ltd	8081	12.30		0.32
Tai Shing International (Holdings) Ltd	8103	10.00		0.275
abc Multiactive Ltd	8131	19.40		0.203
Linefan Technology Holdings Ltd	8166		11.00	0.81
Golden Meditech Company Ltd	8180	15.70		1.33
Shanghai Jiaoda Withub Information Industrial Company Ltd	8205	10.70		0.31
Dahe Media Company Ltd	8243	11.80		0.285
HC International Incorporated	8292	11.10		0.50

On The Tokyo Stock Exchange, its TOPIX Index rose about one tenth of a percentage point to 914.50 points.

The ratio of advancing counters to declining ones was about 1.16:One.

The Nikkei-225 Stock Average rose about 0.38 percent to ¥9,741.67.

And this was how things looked on other Asian equity markets, last Wednesday:

The HKSAR	Hang Seng Index Plus 1.02 percent to 18,576.47 The Growth Enterprise Index Plus 1.56 percent to 562.85
Indonesia	Plus 0.61 percent to 2,010.91
Japan	TOPIX Index Plus 0.10 percent to 914.50 Nikkei-225 Stock Average Plus 0.38 percent to 9,741.67
Malaysia	Minus 0.77 percent to 1,055.40
The Philippines	Minus 0.77 percent to 2,471.19
The PRC	Shanghai Composite Index Plus 1.99 percent to 2,778.59 Shenzhen Composite Index Plus 1.47 percent to 920.82
Singapore	Plus 0.34 percent to 2,383.82
South Korea	Plus 0.14 percent to 1,414.89
Taiwan	Minus 0.80 percent to 6,893.14
Thailand	Plus 1.38 percent to 582.25

Thursday

Stock and share prices rose on the world's largest equity markets, last Thursday, following a surge in the international price of crude oil, a fall-off in the number of first-time applications for US unemployment, insurance benefits, and statements by a president of a US Federal Reserve Bank.

On The New York Stock Exchange, the Dow Jones Industrial Average rose about 0.86 percent to 8,750.24 points while the Composite Index of The NASDAQ put on about 1.32 percent, ending the trading day at 1,850.02 points.

Gaining counters outran losing ones by the ratio of about 3.50:One on The New York Stock Exchange and by about 2.50:One on The NASDAQ.

Investor sentiment on Wall Street appeared to be a little improved, compared with Wednesday, on learning that applications for first-time, unemployment insurance benefits had fallen, Week-On-Week, by about 4,000 Claims to 621,000 Claims for the week, ended May 30, 2009.

The gurus interpreted the results as being bad, but not as bad as they could have been.

(Where have we heard those statements, before?)

In Louisville, Kentucky, it was reported that Ms Sandra Pianalto, President, The Cleveland Federal Reserve Bank, told a conference that the US economy was extremely weak.

She went on to state that she expected any improvement in the economy to be slow, marked by high unemployment statistics.

On The New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX), the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil for delivery in July rose about 4.07 percent to \$US68.81.

For delivery in August, the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil came in at \$US69.69, up about 3.88 percent, compared with Wednesday's final quote.

The US dollar, cross-rates continued to indicate weakness for the greenback, but that was only half of the situation, as the story did the rounds that the price of crude oil was rising in preparation of a turnabout on the world's major economies.

Now, that is called, having really long-distance, eye-sight.

In Europe, while well-respected economic statisticians were forecasting doom and gloom for eurozone for the remainder of 2009, investors, for the most part, appeared to be somewhat nonplussed as to what action, if any, to take.

As a result, the key indices of the most-important bourses moved sideways as the following list, compiled by **TARGET** (), illustrates:

Amsterdam's AEX Index	Minus	0.21 percent
France's CAC 40 Index	Plus	0.07 percent
Germany's Frankfurt XETRA DAX Index	Plus	0.20 percent
Great Britain's FTSE 100 Index	Plus	0.08 percent
Italy's FTSE Italia All-Share	Plus	0.01 percent
Switzerland's Swiss Market Index	Plus	0.69 percent

News Wise

- The Bank of England, The Central Bank of the United Kingdom, made the following statement:

'The Bank of England's Monetary Policy Committee today voted to maintain the official Bank Rate paid on commercial bank reserves at 0.5%. The Committee also voted to continue with its programme of asset purchases totalling £125 billion financed by the issuance of central bank reserves.'

'The Committee expects that the announced programme will take another two months to complete. The scale of the programme will be kept under review.'

- The **European Central Bank (ECB)** released the following, one-paragraph statement:

‘At today’s meeting the Governing Council of the ECB decided that the interest rate on the main refinancing operations and the interest rates on the marginal lending facility and the deposit facility will remain unchanged at 1.00%, 1.75% and 0.25% respectively.’

Investors, locked into stocks and shares, listed on the major equity markets of Asia, appeared to have hit a crab as trading and share-price movements slowed, considerably, last Thursday.

In the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People’s Republic of China (PRC), the key indices of the territory’s 2 equity markets lost traction.

The Hang Seng Index, which is the benchmark of the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, gave up about 0.40 percent, dropping back to 18,502.77 points.

The Total Turnover was about \$HK83.04 billion, while the ratio of declining counters to advancing ones was about 1.72:One.

The Ten Most Active counters were:

Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Ltd (Code: 1398)	Down 2.42 percent to \$HK4.83 per share
HSBC Holdings plc (Code: 5)	Up 0.45 percent to \$HK67.15 per share
China Life Insurance Company Ltd (Code: 2628)	Up 0.17 percent to \$HK29.85 per share
China COSCO Holdings Company Ltd (Code: 1919)	Down 6.89 percent to \$HK11.08 per share
China Construction Bank Corporation (Code: 939)	Down 0.39 percent to \$HK5.14 per share
China Mobile Ltd (Code: 941)	Down 0.38 percent to \$HK78.35 per share
China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation (Code: 386)	Down 0.98 percent to \$HK5.85 per share
Aluminum Corporation of China Ltd (Code: 2600)	Down 0.96 percent to \$HK8.23 per share
CNOOC Ltd (Code: 883)	Down 2.55 percent to \$HK10.68 per share
PetroChina Company Ltd (Code: 857)	Down 1.08 percent to \$HK9.12 per share

The Main Board’s biggest movers of the day included:

Name of Company	Code	Increase (%)	Decrease (%)	Closing Price (\$HK)
Burwill Holdings Ltd	24	16.70		0.265
CEC International Holdings Ltd	759		21.10	0.18
China Energy Development Holdings Ltd	228	20.70		0.70
China Rare Earth Holdings Ltd	769	22.90		1.72
China Resources Microelectronics Ltd	597		19.60	0.205
China Star Investment Holdings Ltd	764	23.80		0.78
Chinney Alliance Group Ltd	385	27.30		0.35
CVM Minerals Ltd	705	29.10		1.95
Dore Holdings Ltd	628	41.10		0.79
Fortuna International Holdings Ltd	530		16.40	0.61
Global Flex Holdings Ltd	471	16.00		0.138
HyComm Wireless Ltd	499	23.50		1.00
Interchina Holdings Company Ltd	202	76.50		0.06
ITC Corporation Ltd	372	20.00		0.78
Midas International Holdings Ltd	1172	25.20		0.184
Nam Fong International Holdings Ltd	1176	31.80		0.58
Ngai Lik Industrial Holdings Ltd	332	15.40		0.15
North Mining Shares Company Ltd	433	16.20		0.43
Peaktop International Holdings Ltd	925	42.90		0.65
PME Group Ltd	379	20.00		0.48
Rising Development Holdings Ltd	1004	19.20		2.05
Sinocop Resources (Holdings) Ltd	476	21.60		0.62

Solomon Systech (International) Ltd	2878	19.70		0.73
Tianneng Power International Ltd	819	15.00		2.76
Wai Chun Mining Industry Group Company Ltd	660	16.70		0.35
Wang Sing International Holdings Group Ltd	2389	24.60		0.38
Winbox International (Holdings) Ltd	474	20.00		0.66
Yue Da Mining Holdings Ltd	629	29.60		1.49
Zhongda International Holdings Ltd	909	16.70		0.77

On The **G**rowth **E**nterprise **M**arket (**The GEM**) of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, its Growth Enterprise Index was forced to give up about 0.52 percent as investors drove it down to 559.94 points.

The ratio of losers to gainers was about 1.76:One.

The 5, most-active counters, in terms of their respective turnovers, only, were:

Heng Xin China Holdings Ltd (Code: 8046)

Up 11.43 percent to \$HK0.78 per share

Golden Meditech Company Ltd (Code: 8180)

Up 3.76 percent to \$HK1.38 per share

Wah Sang Gas Holdings Ltd (Code: 8035)

Down 15.49 percent to \$HK0.30 per share

Neolink Cyber Technology (Holding) Ltd (Code:
8116)

Down 1.65 percent to \$HK0.239 per share

Yantai North Andre Juice Company Ltd (Code:
8259)

Up 5.13 percent to \$HK0.41 per share

The GEM's double-digit movers of the day included:

Name of Company	Code	Increase (%)	Decrease (%)	Closing Price (\$HK)
Wah Sang Gas Holdings Ltd	8035		15.50	0.30
Cardlink Technology Group Ltd	8066	15.00		1.38
China Ground Source Energy Ltd	8128	11.60		0.106
ePRO Ltd	8086	12.20		0.101

G.A. Holdings Ltd	8126		23.30	0.23
Glory Mark Hi-Tech (Holdings) Ltd	8159	10.10		0.219
HC International Incorporated	8292		10.00	0.45
Heng Xin China Holdings Ltd	8046	11.40		0.78
Long Success International (Holdings) Ltd	8017	16.30		0.057
North Asia Strategic Holdings Ltd	8080		13.30	0.78
Rojam Entertainment Holdings Ltd	8075	18.30		0.136
Shenzhen Mingwah Aohan High Technology Corporation Ltd	8301	11.80		0.285
Tai Shing International (Holdings) Ltd	8103	41.80		0.39
TSC Offshore Group Ltd	8149	14.80		1.40
Universal Technologies Holdings Ltd	8091	10.00		0.132

On The Tokyo Stock Exchange, its TOPIX Index was off about 0.38 percent to 910.99 points.

Advancing counters outdistanced declining ones by the ratio of about 1.09:One.

The Nikkei-225 Stock Average was down three quarters of a percentage point to ¥9,668.96.

News Wise

- Spending cuts by Japanese companies, during the quarter, ended March 31, 2009, hit a 54-year high, **The Finance Ministry** announced. Corporate profits fell by about 69 percent for the quarter.

This was how the situation looked on other Asian equity markets, last Thursday:

The HKSAR	Hang Seng Index Minus 0.40 percent to 18,502.77 The Growth Enterprise Index Minus 0.52 percent to 559.94
Indonesia	Plus 1.08 percent to 2,032.72
Japan	TOPIX Index Minus 0.38 percent to 910.99 Nikkei-225 Stock Average Minus 0.75 percent to 9,668.96

Malaysia	Plus 0.81 percent to 1,063.97
The Philippines	Plus 0.93 percent to 2,494.24
The PRC	Shanghai Composite Index Minus 0.41 percent to 2,767.24 Shenzhen Composite Index Plus 0.02 percent to 920.95
Singapore	Minus 0.88 percent to 2,362.74
South Korea	Minus 2.60 percent to 1,378.14
Taiwan	Minus 1.55 percent to 6,786.06
Thailand	Plus 1.95 percent to 593.60

Friday

The gurus of Wall Street praised the statistics, produced by the US Labour Department, statistics which put the unemployment rate in the US at its highest level since 1983.

The gurus of Europe, however, shuddered at the statistics, claiming that it was yet another sign that the global recession was far from being over.

TARGET Subscribers may judge for themselves on reading the statements of Mr Keith Hall, Commissioner, The Bureau of Labour Statistics, US Labour Department, in his testimony to the Joint Economic Committee of the United States Congress of last Friday.

The following is a verbatim transcript of that testimony, minus the 2 introductory sentences:

'Nonfarm payroll employment declined by 345,000 in May. Job losses had averaged 643,000 per month during the prior 6 months. In May, the unemployment rate rose from 8.9 to 9.4 percent. Since the recession began in December 2007, payroll employment has fallen by 6.0 million, and the unemployment rate has increased by 4.5 percentage points.

'Job losses continued to be widespread in May, but the rate of decline moderated in construction and several service-providing industries. Large job losses continued in the manufacturing sector (-156,000), with employment declines in nearly all component industries. Employment fell sharply in motor vehicles and parts (-30,000), machinery (-26,000), and fabricated metals (-19,000). Since the start of the recession, manufacturing employment has decreased by 1.8 million, accounting for 3 out of 10 jobs lost during this downturn.

'Construction employment declined by 59,000 in May, half the average of the previous 6 months. Job losses moderated in the private service-providing industries, with employment falling by 113,000 in May compared with an average monthly decline of 356,000 in the prior 6 months. Employment was little changed in temporary help, retail trade, and leisure and hospitality, following large declines in recent months.

‘Elsewhere in the service-providing sector, the health care industry added 24,000 jobs in May. This was about in line with the trend thus far in 2009.

‘In May, average hourly earnings for production and nonsupervisory workers in the private sector were up by 2 cents to \$18.54. Over the past 12 months, average hourly earnings have risen by 3.1 percent. From April 2008 to April 2009, the Consumer Price Index for Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers declined by 1.2 percent.

‘Turning to measures from the survey of households, the unemployment rate increased from 8.9 to 9.4 percent over the month. The number of unemployed rose by 787,000 to 14.5 million. Since the recession began, the jobless rate has increased by 4.5 percentage points, and the number of unemployed persons has grown by 7.0 million.

‘Among the unemployed, the number who have been out of work 27 weeks or more increased by 268,000 in May to 3.9 million. These long-term unemployed represented 2.5 percent of the labor force, the highest proportion since 1983.

‘Over the month, the employment-population ratio edged down to 59.7 percent, the lowest level since October 1984. Since the recession began, the employment-population ratio has fallen by 3.0 percentage points.

‘Among the employed, the number of persons working part time who would prefer full-time work was little changed for the second consecutive month. At 9.1 million in May, involuntary part-time employment was 4.4 million higher than at the start of the recession.

‘Among those outside the labor force--that is, persons neither working nor looking for work--the number of discouraged workers was 792,000 in May, up from 400,000 a year earlier. These individuals are not currently looking for work because they believe no jobs are available for them.

‘In summary, nonfarm payroll employment fell by 345,000 in May, compared with the average monthly decline of 643,000 for the previous 6 months. While job losses continued to be widespread, declines moderated in construction and in a number of service-providing industries. The unemployment rate rose by half a percentage point to 9.4 percent’

With US unemployment at its highest level of the past 26 years and having increased by about 5.62 percentile points, Month-On-Month, it could hardly be considered good news.

However, as the trite expression goes, either you look at the bottle as being half empty, or, you decide that that the bottle is still half full, after all.

On Wall Street, investors were undecided, it appeared, as to which tack to take, during most of the trading day, so that the key indices of the world's 2 largest equity markets vacillated for nearly all of last Friday's trading session.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average, by the close of trading on The New York Stock Exchange, finished at 8,763.13 points, up about 0.15 percent on Thursday's closing level.

As for the Composite Index of The NASDAQ, it ended the week at 1,849.42 points, representing a one-day dip of about 0.03 percent.

Declining counters outran advancing ones by the ratio of about 1.05:One on The New York Stock Exchange and by about 1.25:One on The NASDAQ.

The tally for the world's largest equity markets for the 5-day trading week was:

The Dow Jones Industrial Average	Plus	3.09 percent
The Composite Index of The NASDAQ	Plus	4.35 percent

On European equity markets, beset as they have been for the past half a year with one problem after another, investors did not appear to be very positive about the US Labour Department's statistics.

However, noting the events that were unfolding on Wall Street, investors in this part of the world determined that one does not spit into the wind.

For the most part, the key indices of major European bourses rose, last Friday, as the following **TARGET** list illustrates:

Amsterdam's AEX Index	Plus	1.18 percent
France's CAC 40 Index	Plus	0.81 percent
Germany's Frankfurt XETRA DAX Index	Plus	0.24 percent
Great Britain's FTSE 100 Index	Plus	1.17 percent
Italy's FTSE Italia All-Share	Plus	0.22 percent
Switzerland's Swiss Market Index	Minus	0.42 percent

On The New York Mercantile Exchange (NYMEX), the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil for delivery in July came in at \$US68.44, down about 0.54 percent on Thursday's final quote.

As for delivery in August, the last settlement for a barrel of light sweet crude oil was \$US69.35, representing a one-day drop of about 0.49 percent.

In Asia, the key indices of the most-important equity markets were buoyed by gains in the price of key commodities.

In the Hongkong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) of the People's Republic of China (PRC), the key indices of both equity markets rose, materially.

In the Main Board of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, The Hang Seng Index put on about 0.96 percent, ending the trading week at 18,679.53 points on a Total Turnover of about \$HK80.40 billion.

The ratio of advancing counters to declining ones was about 1.66:One.

The Ten Most Active counters were:

HSBC Holdings plc (Code: 5)	Down 2.01 percent to \$HK65.80 per share
China Mobile Ltd (Code: 941)	Up 1.15 percent to \$HK79.25 per share
China Construction Bank Corporation (Code: 939)	Up 0.97 percent to \$HK5.19 per share
Industrial and Commercial Bank of China Ltd	Up 1.66 percent to \$HK4.91 per share

(Code: 1398)

China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation
(Code: 386)

Down 0.34 percent to \$HK5.83 per share

Bank of China Ltd (Code: 3988)

Up 2.89 percent to \$HK3.56 per share

CNOOC Ltd (Code: 883)

Up 4.68 percent to \$HK11.18 per share

China Life Insurance Company Ltd (Code: 2628)

Up 0.50 percent to \$HK30.00 per share

PetroChina Company Ltd (Code: 857)

Up 2.96 percent to \$HK9.39 per share

China COSCO Holdings Company Ltd (Code:
1919)

Down 4.33 percent to \$HK10.60 per share

There was a total of 38 counters whose share prices moved up or down 15 percent or more, last Friday.

Of that number, only one counter's final figure was written in red ink.

The biggest winner of the day was Grandtop International Holdings Ltd (Code: 2309), its share price, moving up 62.07 percent to 47 cents.

Dore Holdings Ltd (Code: 628) was the lone loser of the day, its share price, falling 20.25 percent to 63 cents.

Over on The **G**rowth **E**nterprise **M**arket (**The GEM**) of The Stock Exchange of Hongkong Ltd, its Growth Enterprise Index gained about 1.78 percent, rising to 569.91 points.

The Total Turnover on this market was about \$HK675.86 million, while the ratio of advancing counters to declining ones was about 1.34:One.

The 5, most-active counters, in terms of their respective turnovers, only, were:

Heng Xin China Holdings Ltd (Code: 8046)

Up 1.28 percent to \$HK0.79 per share

Binhai Investment Company Ltd (Code: 8035)

Down 8.33 percent to \$HK0.275 per share

Golden Meditech Company Ltd (Code: 8180)

Up 10.87 percent to \$HK1.53 per share

Enviro Energy International Holdings Ltd (Code:
8182)

Up 11.32 percent to \$HK0.59 per share

Shandong Weigao Group Medical
Polymer Company Ltd (Code: 8199)

Down 2.62 percent to \$HK17.10 per share

As for The GEM's double-digit movers of the day, they included:

Name of Company	Code	Increase (%)	Decrease (%)	Closing Price (\$HK)
abc Multiactive Ltd	8131		14.80	0.19
Aptus Holdings Ltd	8212	12.90		0.35
BIG Media Group Ltd	8167	18.60		0.166
China Chief Cable TV Group Ltd	8153	11.70		0.43
CIG Yangtze Ports plc	8233	21.30		0.57
Dahe Media Company Ltd	8243		12.00	0.242
Enviro Energy International Holdings Ltd	8182	11.30		0.59
FAVA International Holdings Ltd	8108	11.90		0.16
Golden Meditech Company Ltd	8180	10.90		1.53
Grand T G Gold Holdings Ltd	8299	11.80		0.161
Linefan Technology Holdings Ltd	8166	17.30		0.95
Northeast Tiger Pharmaceutical Company Ltd	8197		10.10	0.125
Shenzhen Neptunus Interlong Bio-technique Company Ltd	8329	55.60		1.40
Tai Shing International (Holdings) Ltd	8103	25.60		0.49

For the week, ended June 5, 2009, the tally for the second, most-important equity market of Asia was:

The Hang Seng Index	Plus	2.80 percent
The Growth Enterprise Index of The GEM	Plus	1.96 percent

On The Tokyo Stock Exchange, its TOPIX Index moved up about 0.61 percent to 916.56 points.

Declining counters just outdistanced advancing ones by the slim ratio of about 1.001:One.

The Nikkei-225 Stock Average rose about 1.02 percent to ¥9,768.01.

The tally for the largest and most-important equity market of Asia for the week ended June 5, 2009, was:

The TOPIX Index	Plus	2.08 percent
The Nikkei-225 Stock Average	Plus	2.58 percent

On other Asian equity markets, this was how the situation looked, last Friday night:

The HKSAR	Hang Seng Index Plus 0.96 percent to 18,679.53 The Growth Enterprise Index Plus 1.78 percent to 569.91
Indonesia	Plus 2.27 percent to 2,078.93
Japan	TOPIX Index Plus 0.61 percent to 916.56 Nikkei-225 Stock Average Plus 1.02 percent to 9,768.01
Malaysia	Plus 1.08 percent to 1,075.50
The Philippines	Plus 1.38 percent to 2,528.68
The PRC	Shanghai Composite Index Minus 0.48 percent to 2,753.89 Shenzhen Composite Index Minus 0.41 percent to 917.21
Singapore	Plus 1.42 percent to 2,396.35
South Korea	Plus 1.20 percent to 1,394.71
Taiwan	Minus 0.28 percent to 6,767.10
Thailand	Plus 1.85 percent to 604.57

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