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Dear Subscribers,

It is still telling that US EQUITIES remain rightfully enthused by the US-Canada trade agreement that brings a consolidated North America back together as a trading block. US EQUITIES are also now back up well above the previous all-time high retested overnight into Tuesday morning and even slightly above the next Oscillator resistance. What is most interesting is this is after Tuesday afternoon's at least passingly blockbuster New York Times expose: Going back to childhood, Trump and his siblings were part of a major tax avoidance scheme run by his very successful New York real estate developer father Fred.

And this was a major report (https://nyti.ms/2yaKOHD for the editorial with links to the full investigative report.) We've heard estimates of 14,000+ words that would have filled many pages of the print edition had it been released in that form instead of online. Yet the US EQUITIES hardly blinked, and subsequently got their bid back overnight into this morning. Possibly that is due to the IRS and other authorities signing off on those income and inheritance tax filings many years ago (after Fred Trump passed away in 1999.)

However, while these facts may not trigger any criminal prosecution (as statutes of limitations have long since lapsed), there is the possibility of civil fines. Yet as with so many Trump peccadillos, the markets are not

concerned. While in yet another of his most braggadocious recent moments Trump has postulated that his impeachment would create a market crash and everyone being poor, this is obviously not the case at this point.

His ouster would not reverse the tax and regulatory reforms driving the US boom. Yet even if it might only trigger a temporary market spasm, this is why US midterm elections remain important: Even misdeeds that have passed the criminal statute of limitations can be used in the first phase of an impeachment proceeding in the House.

Market Quick Take

FRONT MONTH S&P 500 FUTURE still had higher resistance into the 2,840-50 area in early August. It was reinstated on the mid-August drop back below it. Yet not for long, even if subsequent initial recoveries stalled into the low end of that range. However, it was exceeded once again on the mid-August surge.

Higher resistance at the 2,878.50 January all-time high was exceeded in late August, and has held on subsequent selloffs. Next weekly Oscillator resistance into 2,895-2,900 was also overrun. Slipping below 2,895-2,900 congestion left it near-term resistance the September contract pushed above in mid-September.

And the 5.00 premium DECEMBER S&P 500 FUTURE looked that much better after September contract expiration. Higher resistance at the recent front month 2,917.50 high was exceeded, yet was dropped below again on the US-Canada trade concerns last Wednesday. It was reinforced by Oscillator resistance that rises to 2,930-35 this week: hence our concern a bit more upside confirmation is needed even if 2,917.50 is near-term support. 2,960-65 is next classical Oscillator resistance this week. If that is exceeded, the 'extended' Oscillator levels are interim 2,980 and the more major 3,000-05 (see www.Rohr-Blog.com Rohr ALERT!! sidebar link for the extended Oscillator thresholds table.)

The degree to which the forward looking trade considerations are still the broad market influence is being offset in the other asset classes to some degree by the return of some disarray in Europe on the recent Italian government budget proposals. Its shedding austerity to propose a bigger

budget deficit for a longer period weighed on ITALIAN GOVVIES and created a 'haven' bid in BUND and also the US DOLLAR. Yet as the Italian government is now retrenching from that radical proposal, it is weakening the haven bid in those markets.

And we remain convinced that in the near term the global economy will be strong enough to encourage EQUITIES and bring pressure back onto the GOVVIES. Yet recently it has been interesting to see GOVVIES rally right into US EQUITIES new highs.

Once again note both the very upbeat FOMC rate hike statement (http://bit.ly/2Oi7rUy for our lightly highlighted version) and even more so Chair Powell's upbeat press conference. He even responded to one question on the US economy growing faster than expected with the statement, "...and that's a good thing." Hardly sounds like the Fed is trying to derail either the economy or US EQUITIES.

There may be more insight on that in this afternoon's interview od Fed Chair Powell at The Atlantic Festival (as in The Atlantic magazine), as that will be the last major influence prior to the more prominent late week economic data. That is at 16:00 EDT today, and can be viewed live at ***https://www.theatlanticfestival.com/*** **(click on the start video arrow in the main festival display.)**

And spilling over from two weeks ago is still the OECD Interim Economic Outlook (http://bit.ly/2xQTogU.) In the event this always important view showed there are international trade stresses that could worsen. Yet it also crystalizes the prevailing cross current in noting that despite higher interest rates and trade concerns to date, the global economy led by US growth remains strong.

The bottom line is that US EQUITIES are leading the way up again while GOVVIES give back a bit of the recent 'haven' bid from Italy and intensified global trade concerns due to now resolved US-Canada issues.

We refer you back to our Friday September 21st emailed note for more of the critical levels on the price trends, which remain exactly the same other than the shifts in US EQUITIES Oscillator levels. We will be updating those after we hear Fed Chair Powell's interview today as the last major influence

prior to the more prominent late week economic data.

While still seeming a bit less relevant in the midst of obviously more major global trade cross currents, this week's Weekly Report & Event Calendar (accessible for Sterling and higher level subscribers) is available via the www.rohr-blog.com sidebar. Today began with still firm (even if mixed) global Services PMI's, with still a lot of central bank influence on the week (including the Fed's Powell again this afternoon), and other important data intensifying late week into the culmination in Friday's US and Canadian Employment reports.

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