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Asia Market Update
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Range Europe / US Markets
(from Globex open)

	GOLD	SILVER	PLATINUM	PALLADIUM
OPEN	1280.90/10	14.84/86	861/63	1318/20
HIGH	1284.30/50	14.92/94	863/65	1324/26
LOW	1279.70/90	14.79/81	858/60	1317/19
LAST	1283.90/10	14.82/84	858/60	1317/19

MARKETS/MACRO

As has been the case for the week thus far, trade headlines again dominated market sentiment to see equities under pressure. Weakness was largely reserved for late in trade as investors took a risk-off position as we close in on Friday's potential tariff increase. The DJIA held onto a narrow gain to end just +0.01% higher at 25,967.33 points, while financials (-0.29%) led the laggards to see the S&P 500 down -0.16% at 2,879.42 points. The greenback firmed modestly on Wednesday (DXY +0.1%) after recovering from weakness in Asia, making ground against the pound (GBP/USD -0.5%), while holding relatively unchanged against the yen. Treasury yields recovered on Wednesday following a weak auction of 10-year notes. The two-year added 1.2bps to 2.295% and the 10-year climbed 3.6bps to 2.484%.

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Gold saw mixed price action during Asian trade today, reversing an early session bid tone in China to test toward support around USD \$1,280. Uncertainties surrounding trade relations between the U.S. and China continue to see participants trade with a risk-off skew, underpinning bullion, however more so to restrict declines rather than to break through top-side resistance. Interest out of Shanghai remained robust at an onshore premium toward USD \$12, however this failed to elicit bids and the yellow metal eased toward USD \$1,280 in early Shanghai trade. Bullion again fails to reclaim the USD \$1,285 pivot, with further ETF redemptions weighing upon price action. Supportive interest should remain around USD \$1,280 - \$1,275 as we head into Friday's tariff deadline, while top-side resistance is evident through USD \$1,292 - \$1,295. Data today includes U.S. PPI, U.S. trade balance, U.S. initial jobless claims, Bloomberg U.S. consumer confidence and U.S. wholesale inventories.

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