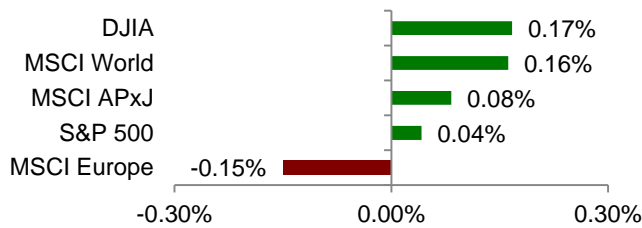


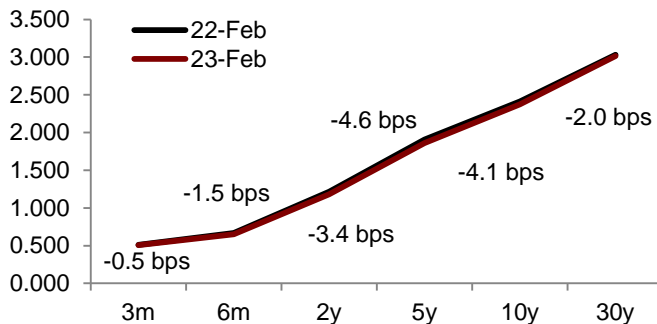
Both global equities and bonds rallied due to US Treasury Secretary's pronouncements about the highly anticipated tax plan. Likewise, local assets rose as investors priced in the less hawkish FOMC minutes.

- ✓ The **local equities index** marginally rose 0.43% today closing at 7,335.56 in light of positive sentiment on financial stocks.
- ✓ In the **local fixed income market**, prices of government securities rebounded as investors saw less risk of a March rate hike following the release of the Fed minutes. Yields fell by an average of 6.85 bps led by the 17.4 bps decline in the short end.

Global Equities

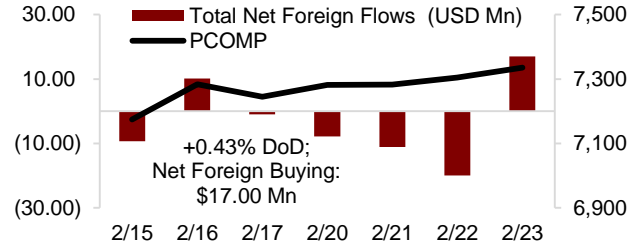


US Treasuries

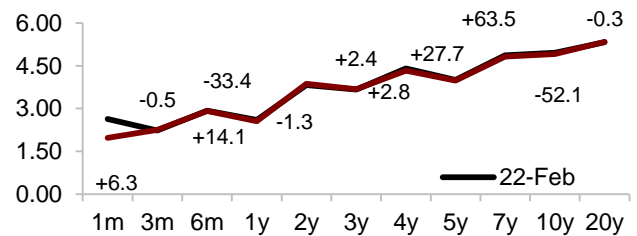


- ✓ The **Philippine peso** was unchanged at Php 50.23 as investors viewed upside and downside risks to be balanced.
- ✓ The **US dollar** weakened still due to the dovish bias of the FOMC minutes. The DXY index fell 0.17% to 101.05.

PSEi Snapshot



Local Bond Market Movement

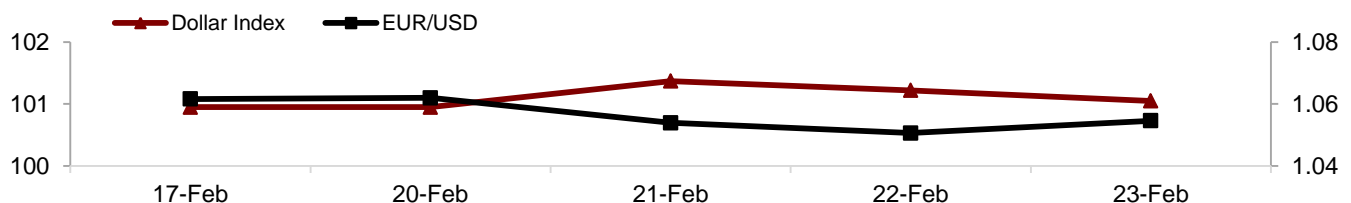


- ✓ **US equities** were up after US Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin reaffirmed Trump's plans on tax reform and deregulation. The Dow Jones Industrial Average continued its winning streak to close 0.17% higher.
- ✓ **European equities** closed slightly lower despite the release of corporate earnings results. Moreover, uncertainty over the Federal Reserve's rate hike timeline weighed down on stocks.
- ✓ **Asian equities** ended mixed as investors remained cautious after the release of the FOMC minutes which suggested a more dovish tone. Further, markets stayed on the sidelines amid the lack of market-moving data.
- ✓ **US Treasuries** rebounded after Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin mentioned about the tax plan and its timeline but failed to provide the much anticipated details. The 2-yr yield fell to 1.1825%, while the 10-yr yield declined to 2.3720%.

Foreign Exchange

USD/PHP	Previous Close	50.2300
	Close	50.2250
EUR/USD	Previous Close	1.0506
	Indicative Rate	1.0538

Foreign Exchange



Key Indicators

YIELDS AND PRICES	23-Feb-17	DoD	WoW	MoM	YTD
91-Day Philippine Treasury Bill Yield (PDST-R2)	2.25	0.02%	-0.02%	0.22%	-0.42%
1-Year Philippine Treasury Bill Yield (PDST-R2)	2.56	-0.04%	-0.54%	0.32%	0.19%
ROP2021 (Price)	106.49	0.03	0.16	0.18	(1.87)
ROP2034 (Price)	132.86	0.02	0.09	(0.65)	2.39
3-Month US Treasury Yield	0.51	-0.01%	-0.01%	0.02%	0.34%
3-Month German Treasury Bill Yield	(0.85)	-0.02%	0.03%	0.03%	-0.31%
Dubai Crude Oil Spot (\$/bbl)	54.32	0.44%	0.89%	2.66%	69.06%
Gold Spot (\$/oz)	1,249.78	0.99%	0.86%	2.60%	17.75%

Upcoming Economic Releases

Philippines

Date	Event	Period	Prior
2/27/2017	Bank Lending YoY	Jan	16.00%
2/27/2017	Money Supply M3	Jan	12.40%

Developed Markets

Date	Country	Event	Period	Prior
2/28/2017	US	GDP Annualized QoQ	4Q S	1.90%
2/28/2017	US	Core PCE QoQ	4Q S	1.30%
3/1/2017	US	ISM Manufacturing	Feb	111.8

Emerging Markets

Date	Country	Event	Period	Prior
3/1/2017	China	Manufacturing PMI	Feb	51.3
3/1/2017	Indo	CPI YoY	Feb	3.49%

Sources: BPI, Business World, PDI, Phil Star, Manila Bulletin, Reuters, Briefing, Bloomberg, CNN, Dow Jones, The Wall Street Journal, CNBC

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