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**June 17, 2015** – Yeah, yeah Greece. Tuesday saw another oversold bounce as the market looked forward – past Greece – to the Fed and clung to any positive news such as housing permits. Wow, housing permits!

Let's end the snark and get to the technicals. The rally was small and scored low volume. So much for any thought of a follow-through day on the S&P 500. And for the Dow, Monday's low actually undercut last week's low so the FTD countdown has to be reset. That is no way to form a bottom.

One observation to make is that there have been a lot of mergers and takeovers announced recently. That suggests buyers feel their stock is high priced and need to take advantage of it before it ends. Another angle is getting deals done before rates go up and financing is no longer so cheap.

Either case is in the bearish camp, in our opinion. But when we look at midcaps and smaller we cannot pull the trigger on outright bearishness. The microcap index shrugged everything off and actually closed at an all-time high yesterday. Since when are all-time highs bearish?

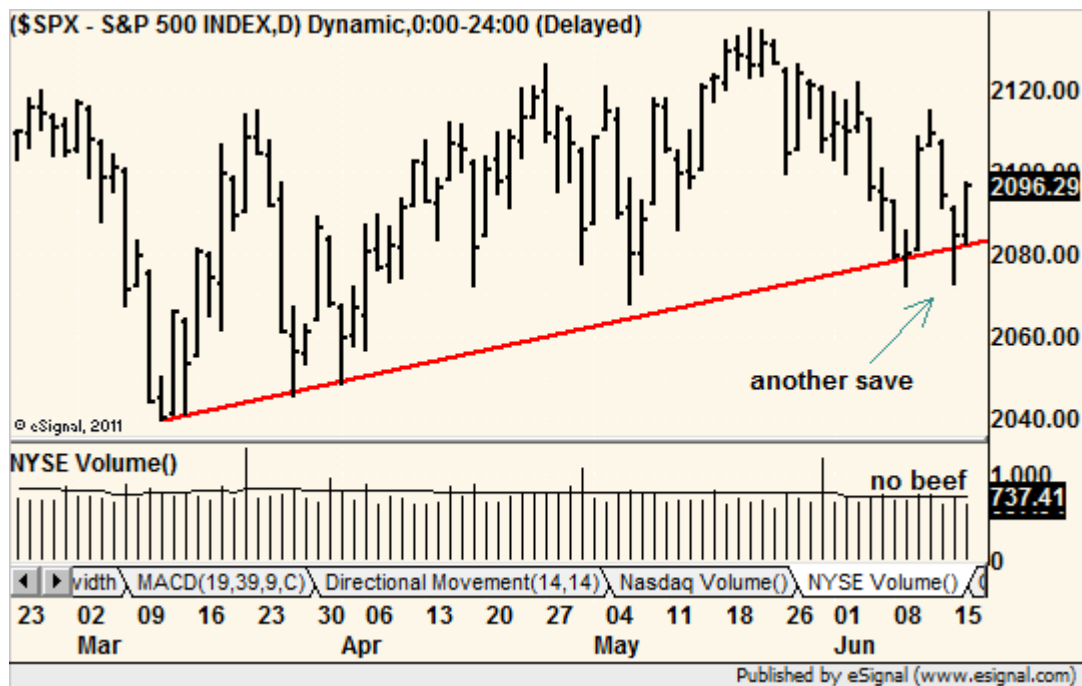
But that does not mean pulling the trigger on market-wide bullishness either. We still like cash with smatterings on both sides of the market aisle.



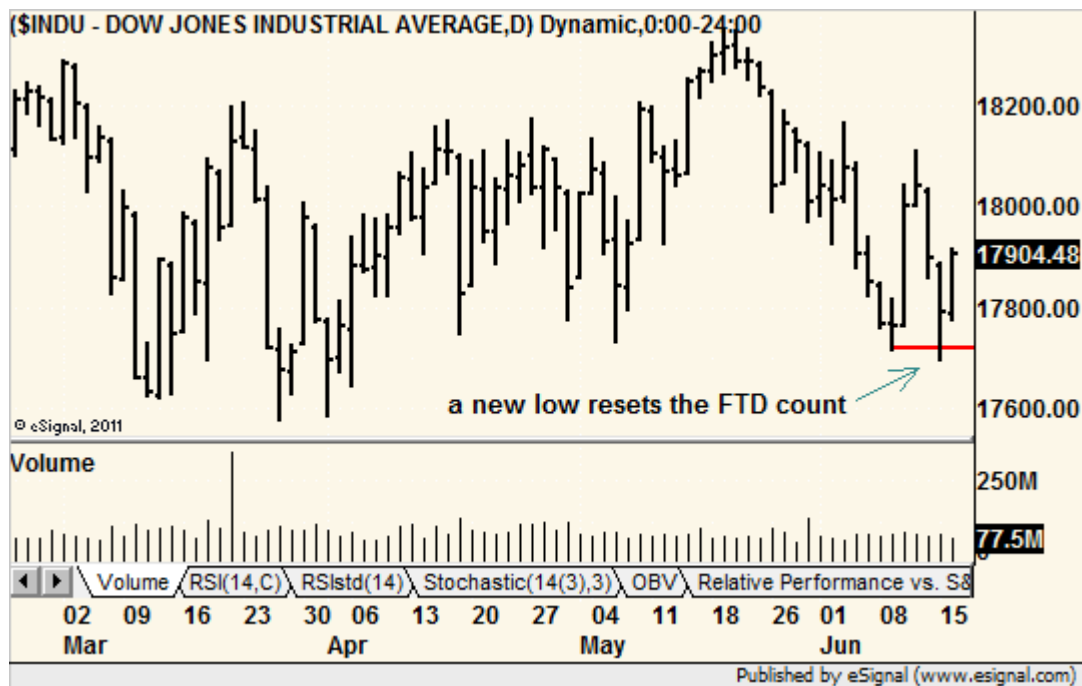
While we can explain away the rally yesterday with dovish Fed hopes and oversold bounces the bottom line is that the S&P 500 once again saved a trendline breakdown – which is shown in the daily chart below. That does take some of the power away from the bears but look at the red line above. The down trend is still intact. However, we now shift from trendline to horizontal support as the line in the sand below the market.

This is a waiting game (hence our cash). Elsewhere, the dollar, gold, oil and bonds are stuck in neutral short-term, as well. Talk about dog days and it is not even summer yet.

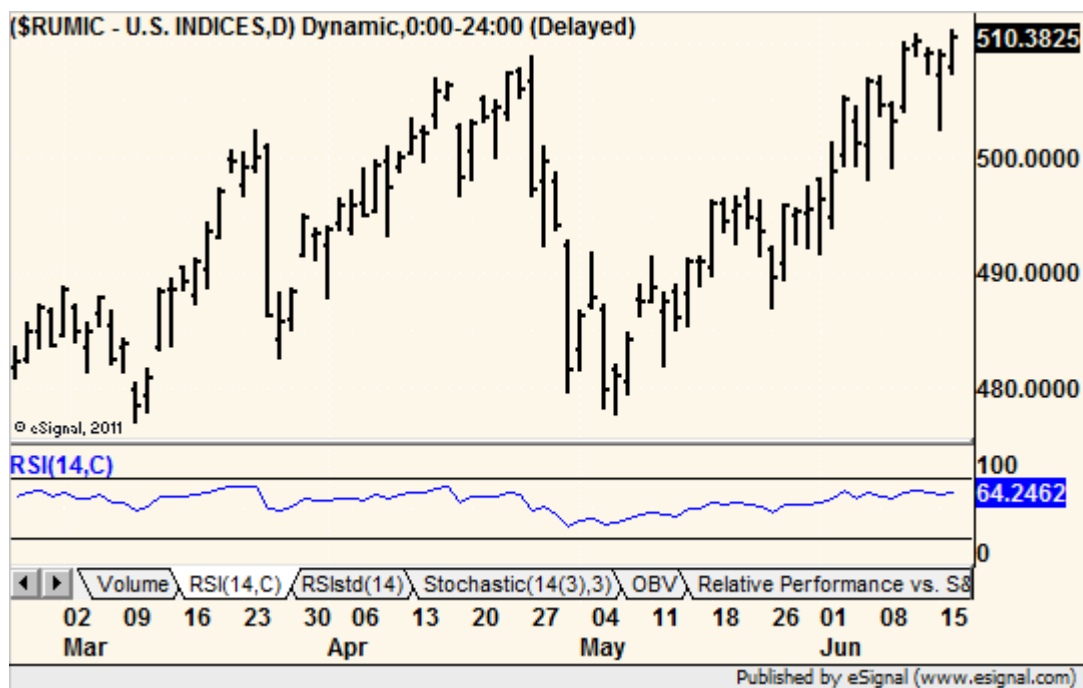
## Index Charts of the Day



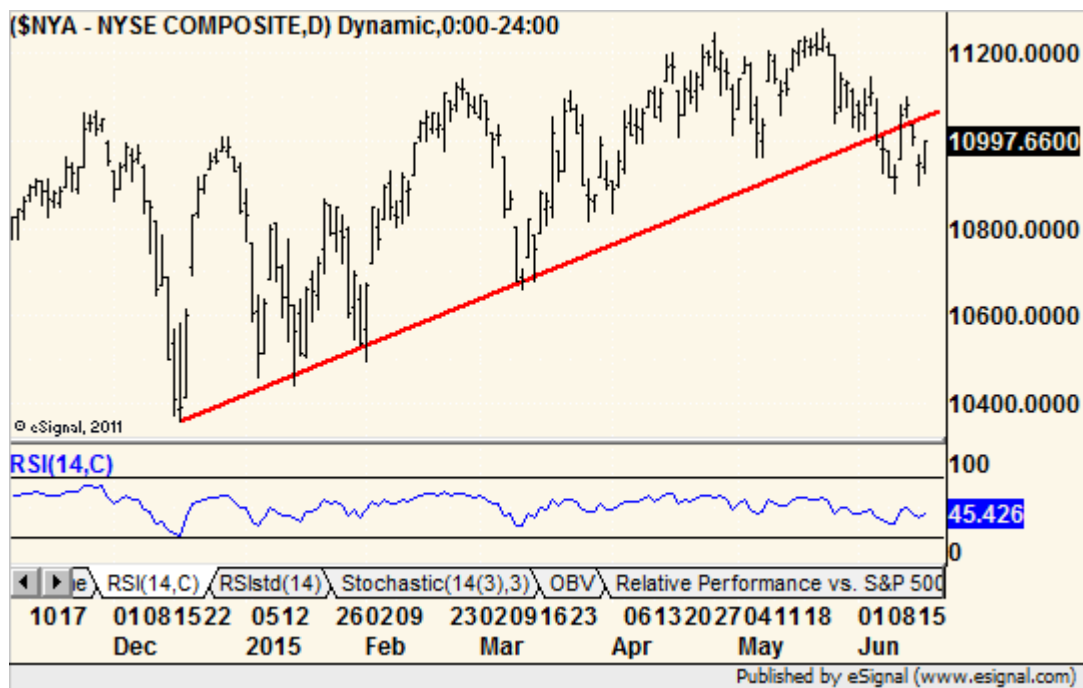
No breakdown yet again but this time there was no volume on the bounce.



A quick glance here looks like a jumble. Maybe this is the bottom of a range and the next mini-trend will be up but momentum indicators (not shown) do not agree.



Microcaps scored a new record high close. Wow!



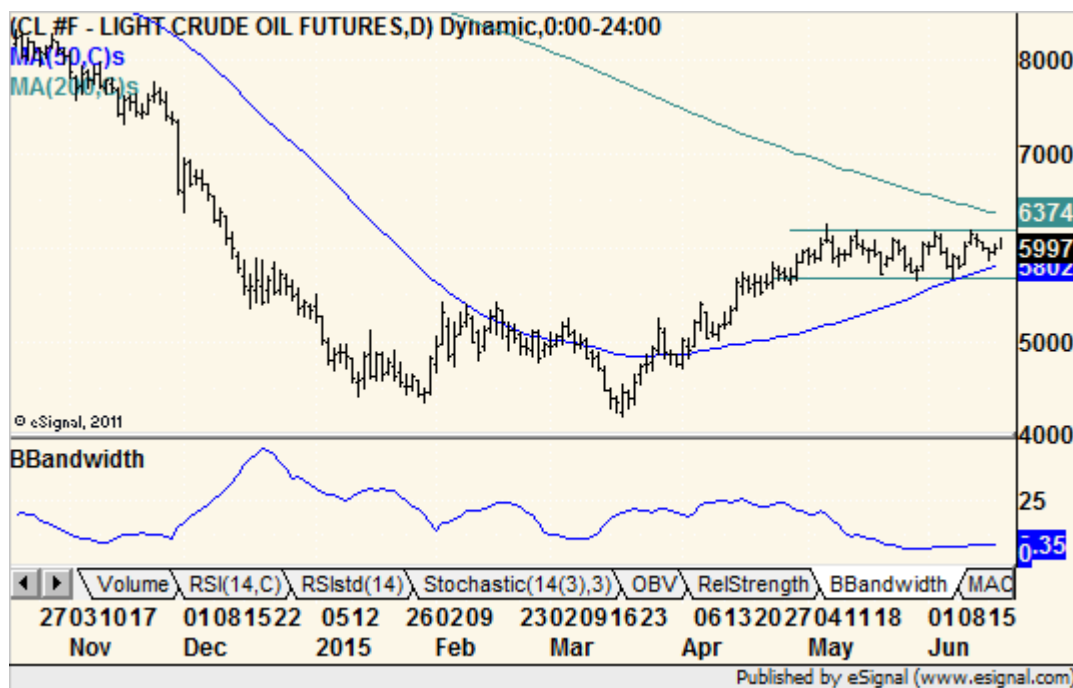
The NYSE is still broken.

## The Radar Screen

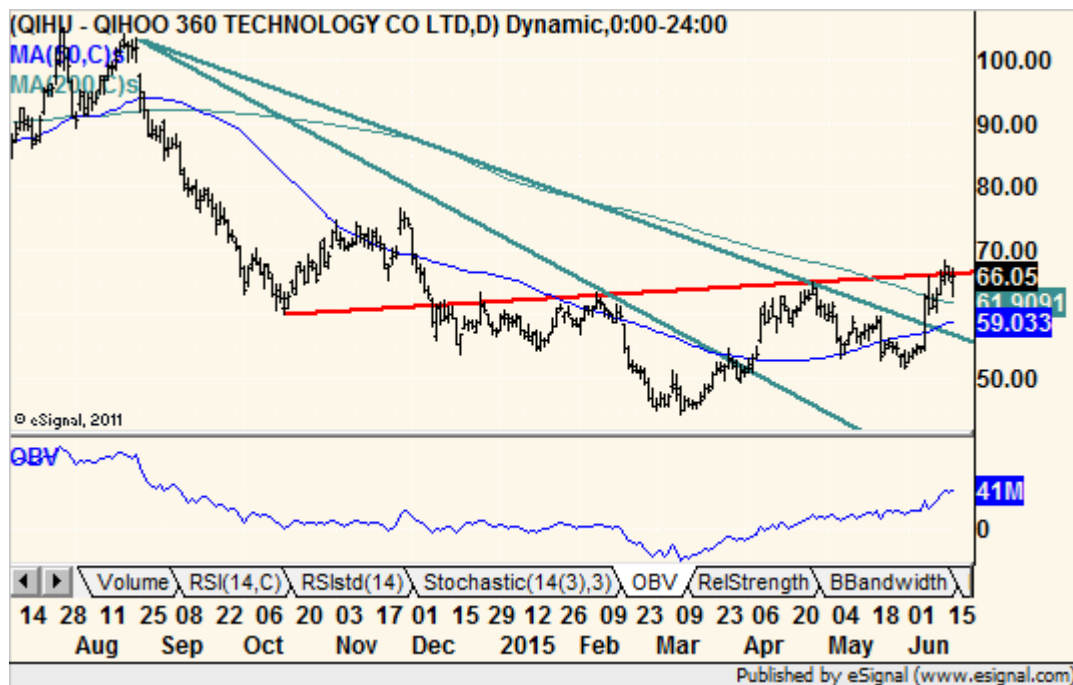
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<b>Bullish Implications</b>		
<b>Microsoft</b> – If you are looking for a reason to buy Mr. Softee, this is it. A move above the six-week flag pattern after support already held would be a very good signal. It may not happen for a while but buy 47. <u>This may be lowered tomorrow</u>		6/12
<b>Bearish Implications</b>		
<b>Yum Brands YUM</b> – Restaurant with bearish RSI divergence. Sell close under 90 as that breaks support.		5/29
<b>Unknown Implications</b>		
<b>none</b> –		
<b>Holding Tank</b> - red shade leans bearish, green shade leans bullish		
<b>Long-term setups</b> – <b>LGF</b> (breakout), <b>SFUN</b> (breakout), <b>AGU</b> , <b>MOO</b>		6/3
<b>Manpower MAN</b> – Not exactly a weekly cup-with-handle but it has the same feel. Watching for now.		6/9
<b>Buckle BKE</b> – A retailer with potential. Needs a flag breakout. <u>Arguably done</u>		6/5
<b>Sector Watch</b> (observations that may spark ideas)		
<b>SPDR Insurance ETF KIE</b> – Absolute and relative breakout. This seems to be led by stocks already in rallies and not new ones breaking out to join them. That suggests trend following and not bottom fishing is a better plan if you are interested. <b>Nice move up</b>		6/11
<b>Nasdaq biotech ETF IBB</b> – Still holding on but with a bearish stochastics divergence		6/11
<b>Updates</b>		
<b>none</b> –		

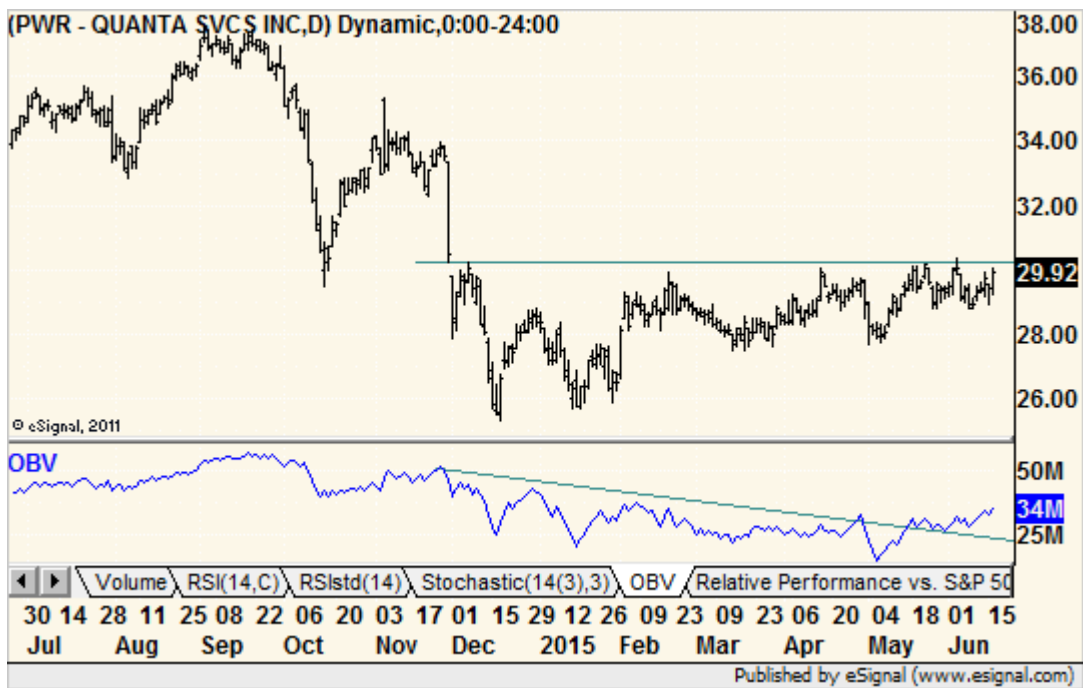
## Market Highlights



**Crude Oil** – Look at this squeeze between averages, Bollinger Bands (lower indicator) and trading range. Something has to give soon.



**Qihoo 360 Technology** – We saw this Chinese Internet mentioned on StockTwits with a 29% short interest. The chart does look rather bottom-y with fan lines and an inverted head-and-shoulders. But do we want to buy something in China when it looks like a bubble will pop there? More on fan lines in Today's Lesson, below.



**Quanta Services** – Because we cannot resist showing nice setups even if they do not agree with our market view. Note the trend break in on-balance volume.

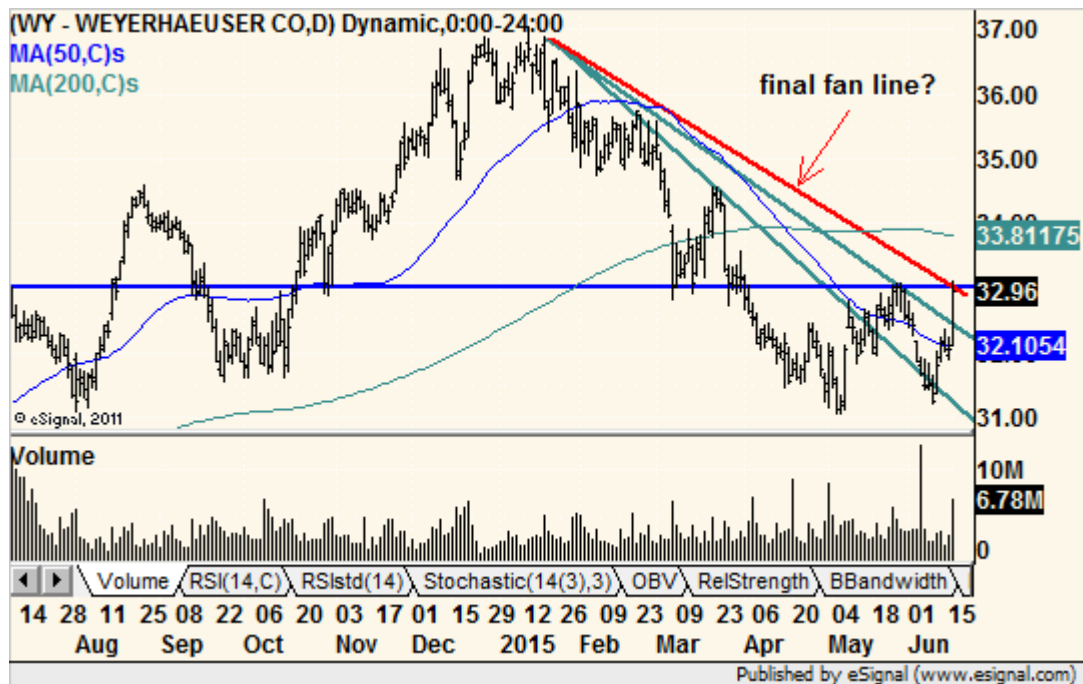


**IBM** – Back on the Radar. If you liked the **MSFT** setup then this one is similar. Big tech.

## Today's Lesson

In this section, we take a look at a topic in technical analysis in real-time, not textbook time.

### Combining Analyses – Double bottom and fan lines



**Weyerhaeuser** – At first glance it was a trend break with big range and big volume. But it is still below the 200-day average and resistance as shown.

What if it pauses here to form the third fan line (in a set of three) and then breaks out above the double bottom? That would be a whole lot more powerful.

Two-pager on fan lines, [click here](#).

## Advice Tracker

This is a list of stocks that have triggered buys or sells and not a recommended portfolio. We will track them with suggested strategies but specific stops and position closes are up to the subscriber. Symbols in **red** mean that the position was stopped out. Stops in **red** were changed. Any position that moves in the desired direction and then reverses by 5% from the extreme that day is an automatic stop out. This is to compensate for the inability of this once per day newsletter to alert subscribers to the reversal.

	<u>Symbol</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>Last</u>	<u>P/L</u>	<u>Stop</u>	<u>Price in</u>	<u>Date in</u>	<u>#Days</u>
<u>Long</u>	<b>COF</b>	CAPITAL ONE FINL CORP	88.07	6.4%	85.00	82.80	5/6	41
	<b>KEY</b>	KEYCORP NEW	15.44	4.7%	14.75	14.75	5/11	36
	<b>KBE</b>	SPDR S&P BANK ETF	37.03	7.1%	35.50	34.58	5/11	36
	<b>GM</b>	GENERAL MTRS CO	35.61	-1.4%	34.75	36.11	5/28	19
	<b>XLNX</b>	XILINX INC	46.80	-1.8%	45.75	47.68	5/28	19
<u>Short</u>	<b>FLS</b>	FLOWSERVE CORP	53.37	3.8%	56.50	55.40	5/12	35
	<b>ALL</b>	ALLSTATE CORP	67.33	0.0%	68.00	67.30	6/1	15
	<b>MAR</b>	MARRIOTT INTL INC NEW	76.73	-0.2%	80.00	76.55	6/12	4
	<b>HST</b>	HOST HOTELS & RESORTS	19.95	-1.0%	20.75	19.75	6/15	1
	<b>HA</b>	HAWAIIAN HOLDINGS INC	23.25	-1.2%	24.00	22.96	6/15	1

Notes: No changes.

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