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### **FFF** Economy

China.org.cn

MOC denies US allegation, says China abides by WTO rules

China's Ministry of Commerce said on Thursday that its designated model zones for exporters meet WTO rules.

**International Business Times** 

Britain Headed For Negative Inflation; Situation To Improve By End Of Year: Bank Of England

The Bank of England (BoE) warned Thursday that inflation is likely to fall below zero. However, it said there was no threat of persistent deflation.

### **<b>Description Currencies**

#### **FX Street**

EUR/USD in highs after US data

The shared currency is pushing higher following the US data releases, with EUR/USD hitting session tops around 1.1370/80.

### **RTT News**

Dollar Drops After Weak Retail Sales, Rising Jobless Claims

The U.S. dollar declined against its major counterparts in European deals on Thursday, as data showed that U.S. jobless claims continued to rebound in the week ended February 7 and retail sales fell more than anticipated in January.

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#### Bloomberg

Retail Sales Decline Doubles Expectations at -0.8%

Retail sales declined by twice as much as expected, falling 0.8 percent in January, while initial jobless claims spiked up 25,000 to 304,000 for the week.

### CNBC

### Weekly jobless claims up 25K to 304,000

CNBC's Rick Santelli breaks down the latest unemployment numbers and January's retail sales results.

# **Politics**

WBP Online

Finland's PM Stubb Optimistic About Greek Deal

Finnish Prime Minister Alexander Stubb said on Thursday that Athens has only two options - sticking to the bail-out conditions or a 'dirty exit' from the...

Business Insider

► <u>The Ukraine peace deal ignores a crucial problem that must be</u> <u>solved</u>

The new agreement in Minsk fails to resolve one of the central issues at stake, namely the presence of thousands of Russian troops on Ukrainian...

## **>>>** Markets

**Business Recoreder** 

London copper edges up in thin trade ahead of Lunar New Year

London copper firmed in thin trade on Thursday as demand slowed ahead of the Lunar New Year and as talks over Greece's debt crisis stalled.

**Market Watch** 

Gold prices up as World Gold Council sees demand rise last year

Gold prices rose on Thursday, alongside gains for equities and a pullback for the U.S. dollar, though fresh data confirmed a drop in demand for the precious metal last year.

# **>>>** Opinions

Andrew P. Napolitano

Is our Constitution just a worthless piece of paper?

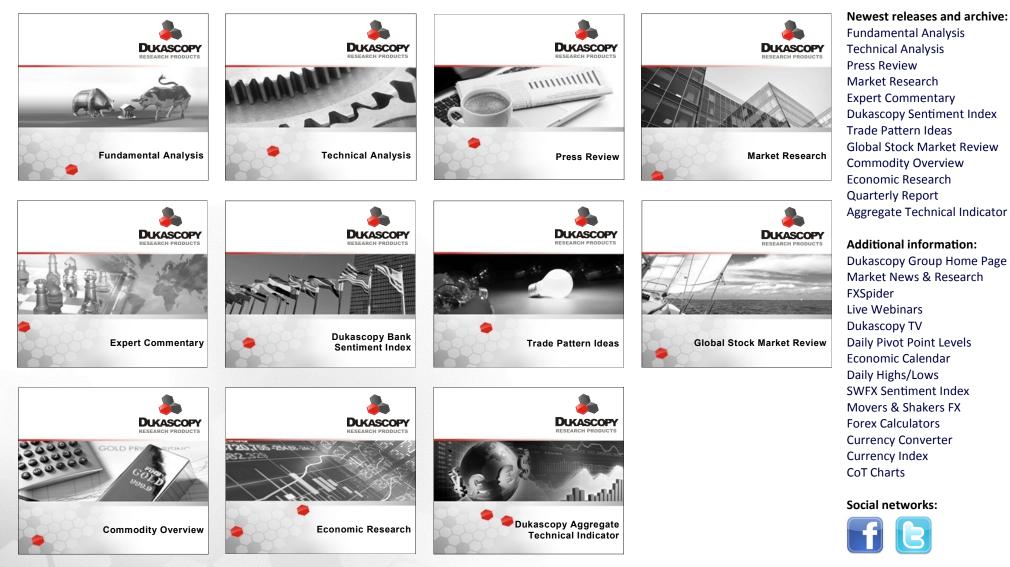
During his presidency, Congress enacted the Patriot Act. This legislation permits federal agents to write their own search warrants when those...

**Matthew Weller** 

► USD/SEK: Riksbank's Negative Interest Rates And QE Drive SEK Down

On Tuesday, we previewed today's high-stakes Riksbank meeting, concluding, "Sweden's 0% interest rate may actually look attractive compared to the negative interest rates in the eurozone and Denmark.





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