

# INTELLIGENT INVESTING

## DAILY NEWSLETTER

STOCK MARKETS, CRYPTOS, GOLD, MINERS & OIL  
ETF, CRYPTO & MAGNIFICENT 7+ TRADE ALERTS



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# STOCKMARKET

**DOW Outlook: Intermediate term (weeks to months) BEARISH. Short term (days) BEARISH**

**Invalidation levels: 49815, 47428. Targets: 44000+/-1000, 45600+/-200**

The **W-b** will have to wait as we have a subdividing **W-a** on our hands. The Bulls failed to hold last week's low, so we're now expecting a retest of the October-November support range. See the chart below. This is why we stated yesterday, "We will focus only on the two options we presented yesterday for the S&P500 that can transpire over the foreseeable future. All other indexes will follow." The bearish option 2 transpired for the SPX (see page 6), so the DOW followed along. We expect one more up-down sequence (**W-8, 9**) before **W-a** is complete, unless the Bulls can produce a print above \$47400. That will greatly enhance **W-b**'s odds. The warning levels for the Bears remain at: **46615, 46913, 47428, 48220, and 49815.**



**SMALL Outlook: Intermediate term (weeks to months) BEARISH. Short term (days) NEUTRAL**

**Invalidation levels: 1627, 1537. Targets: 1450, 1450-1550**

The **W-b** will have to wait, as we most likely have a subdividing **W-a** on our hands. See the chart below. This is why we stated yesterday, "We will focus only on the two options we presented yesterday for the S&P500 that can transpire over the foreseeable future. All other indexes will follow." With the SPX down, the SMALL followed.

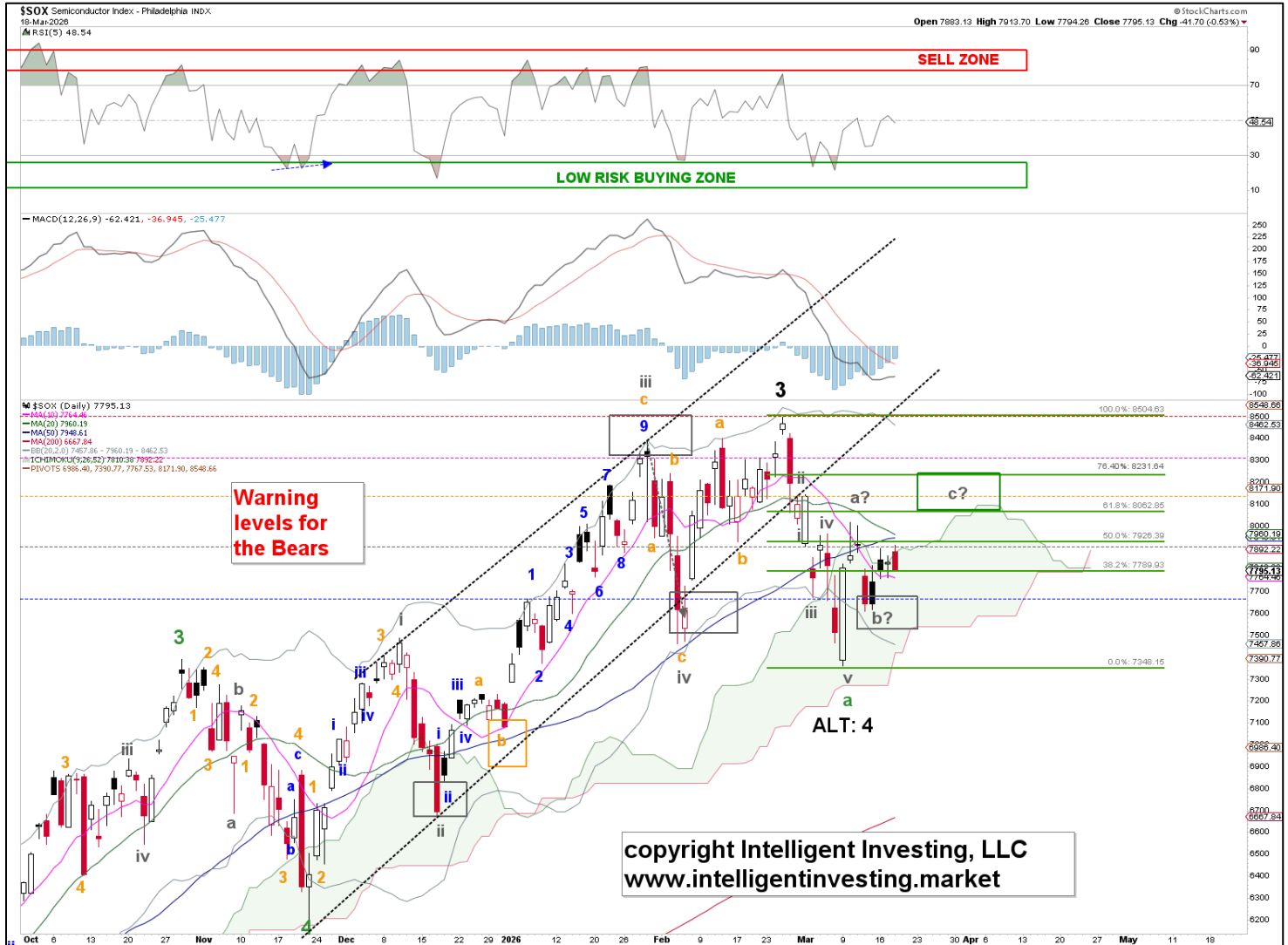
Since the decline is overlapping, we don't exactly know how many more up-down sequences to expect before **W-a** is complete, but unless the Bulls can produce a print above 1537, we anticipate the 9th wave (**ix**) to complete soon. That's an impulse and can be all of **W-c** of **W-a** or only **W-3** of an even larger ending diagonal. The warning levels for the Bears are now at: **1502, 1518, 1537, 1560, 1594**. Above 1537 will still greatly help determine that the **W-b** is underway.



**SOX Outlook: Intermediate term (weeks to months) BULLISH. Short term (days to weeks) BULLISH.**  
**Invalidation levels: 7363, 7363. Targets: 8850+, 8000-8200**

The warning levels for the bears remain at **7660, 7908, 8114, 8314, and 8498.** “

With recent price action, we still think that the **W-a** and **W-b** are complete and that **W-c** is underway. All contingent on the index holding last week's low.



**SP500 Outlook: Intermediate term (weeks to months) BEARISH. Short term (days to weeks) NEUTRAL**  
**Invalidation levels: 7122, 6631 & 6845. Targets: 5800+/-300, 6500 & max 7120.**



Yesterday, “We ... focus[ed] only on the two options we presented [on Monday] for the S&P 500 that can transpire over the foreseeable future.”

And we stated that “All other indexes will follow,” i.e., if the SPX is up, the other indexes will be up, and vice versa. Down it was, 😊 and **Option 2**, the “subdividing W-v of W-c of W-a of W-4” transpired.

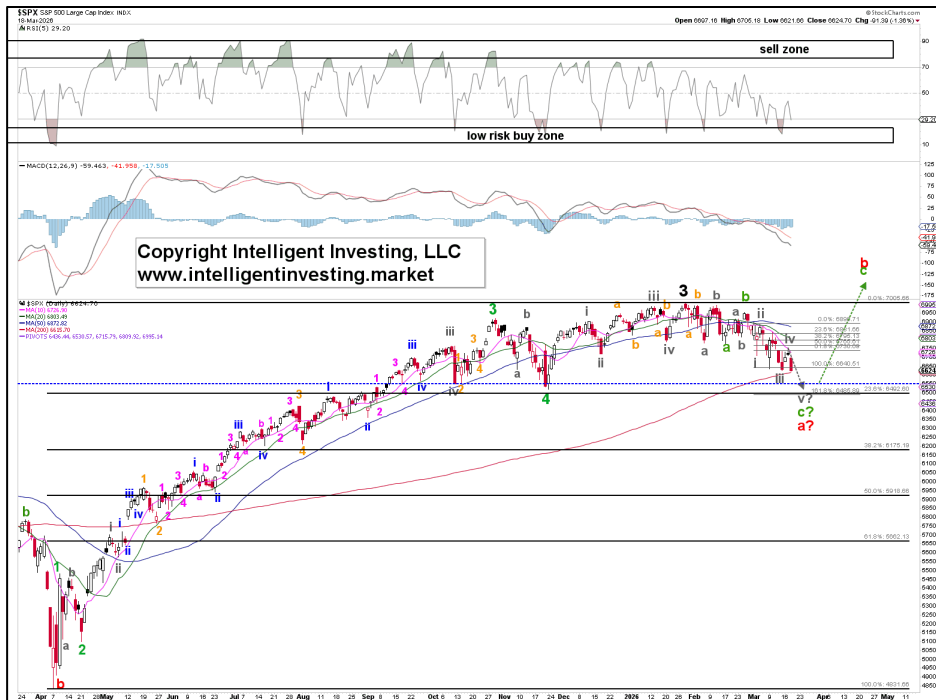
Excellent, that’s one option less, and the warning levels for the Bears remain at: **6661, 6705, 6745, 6780, 6845**. This option is thus off the table on a break above 6845.

The **W-a** bottomed on Friday, and the **W-b** topped yesterday. We can also label it as a **W-iv** instead: see the 2<sup>nd</sup> chart.

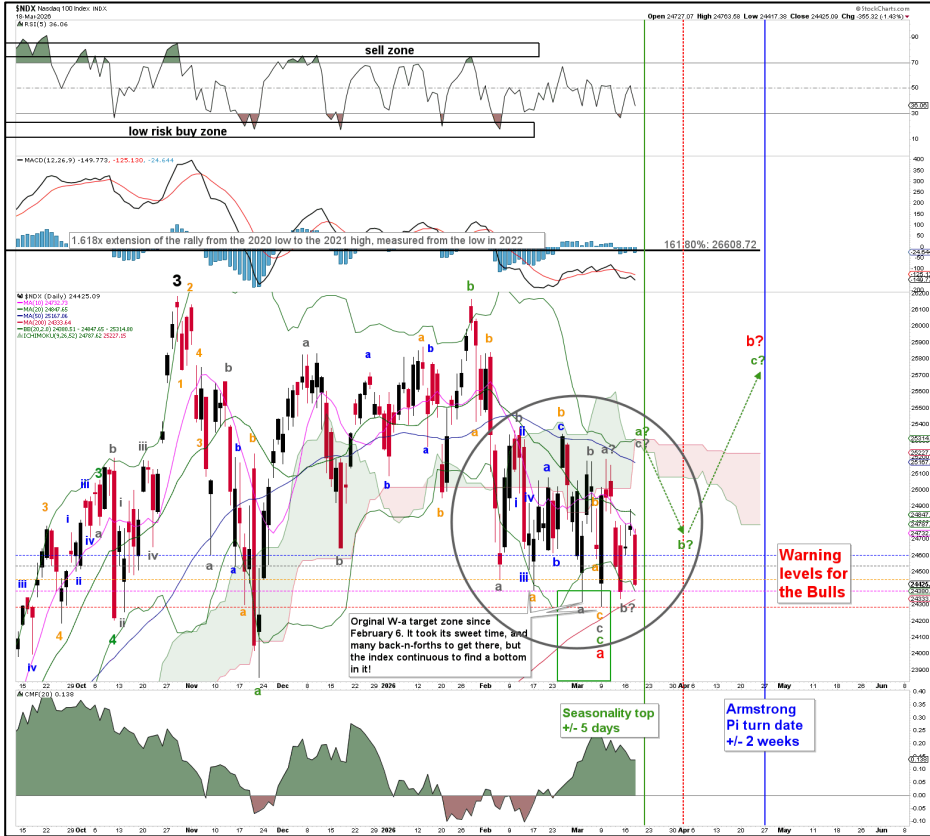
It’s a bit of a potato vs. potato as both **W-c** and **W-v** will then point lower to the ideal 6500-6585.

Note how the gray 161.80% extension in the 2<sup>nd</sup> chart aligns with the black 23.6% retracement. An ideal magnet?!

Lastly, yesterday we stated, “so we’re not yet certain which of the two it is. And when things are uncertain: trade accordingly!” For us personally, it means we are not involved in the markets. We’re gone fishing, so to speak.



**NDX Outlook: Intermediate term (weeks to months) BEARISH. Short term (days to weeks) NEUTRAL.**  
**Invalidation levels: 26610, 24289. Targets: 21750+/-500, 23800-26600.**



In today's update, we primarily want to highlight the excruciatingly overlapping price action this index has experienced since February, as shown by the gray circles in both charts.

We honestly don't know how to count this. If any of you have a better idea, please share: two know more than one 😊!

So, we can easily see lower prices deeper into the ideal green target zone for **W-a**, but a break above yesterday's high is enough to strongly suggest a counter-trend rally is underway.

Warning levels for the Bulls are at: **24606, 24533, 24455, 24380, 24289.**

Warning levels for the Bears are at: **24533, 24744, 24884, 25174, 25343.**



**Thus, below 24289 can target as low as 23800, while above 24884 can target as high as 26600+**

# CRYPTO CURRENCIES

**BTC Outlook: Intermediate term (weeks to months) BULLISH. Short term (days to weeks) NEUTRAL.**  
**Invalidation levels: 31839, 60069. Targets: 164K+, 60-90K**

Although not yet critical, today's deeper-than-expected drop increases the odds that our alternative EW count (we're still dealing with the **W-4, 5** scenario) is operable. See below. So, we must keep a watchful eye on our warning levels for the Bulls, which remain at **72290, 69210, 65631, 62551, 60069**.

So, as long as the 50d SMA holds, BTC can now target "its *Ichimoku Cloud* (at 79K)", which coincides with the red downtrend line. Above that, it can "target at least the declining 200d SMA (now at 93753)." Based on simple symmetry, it can now target ~\$82.5K. Thus, the crypto is in a neutral regime short- to intermediate-term, as its price is now above its 50d SMA, within its Cloud, but below its 200d SMA.



**ETH Outlook: Intermediate term (weeks to months) BULLISH. Short term (days to weeks) BULLISH.**  
**Invalidation levels: 883, 1912. Targets: 6800+, 2600-3000**



even with today's bearish price action, we can still allow for the **W-3, 4** of W-iii of W-1/a scenario, as our focus remains on completing an impulse higher, as per the chart on the left, contingent on holding above the raised warning levels for the bulls at **2210, 2150, 2060, 2018, 1912.**

As long as the 50d SMA holds, ETH can now target "its *Ichimoku Cloud* (at 2600)", which coincides with the red downtrend line. Above that, it can "target at least the declining 200d SMA (now at 3225)." Based on a standard impulse pattern, it can now target ~2625. Thus, the crypto is in a neutral regime short- to intermediate-term, as its price is now above its 50d SMA, within its Cloud, but below its 200d SMA.



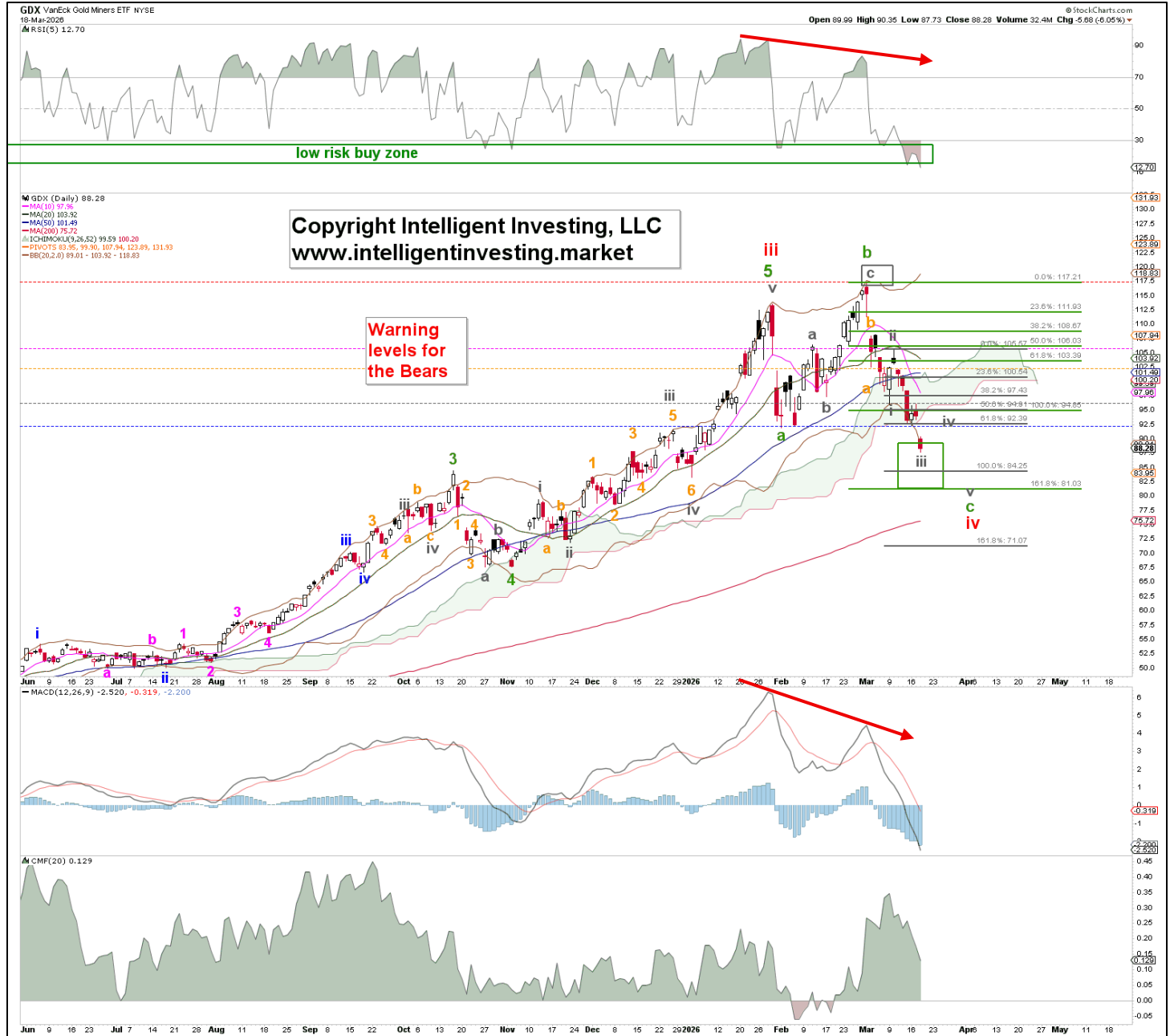
But today's price action does increase the odds for that pesky "**W-4, 5 scenario**," so we can't take it off the table... It will take a while before we can move it from alternative to preferred. So patience is still required. This, however, will not invalidate our bullish long-term picture.

# GOLD, MINERS & OIL

**GDX Outlook: Intermediate term (months+) BULLISH. Short term (weeks) BEARISH.**

**Invalidation levels: 67, 117. Targets: 200+, 80-90.**

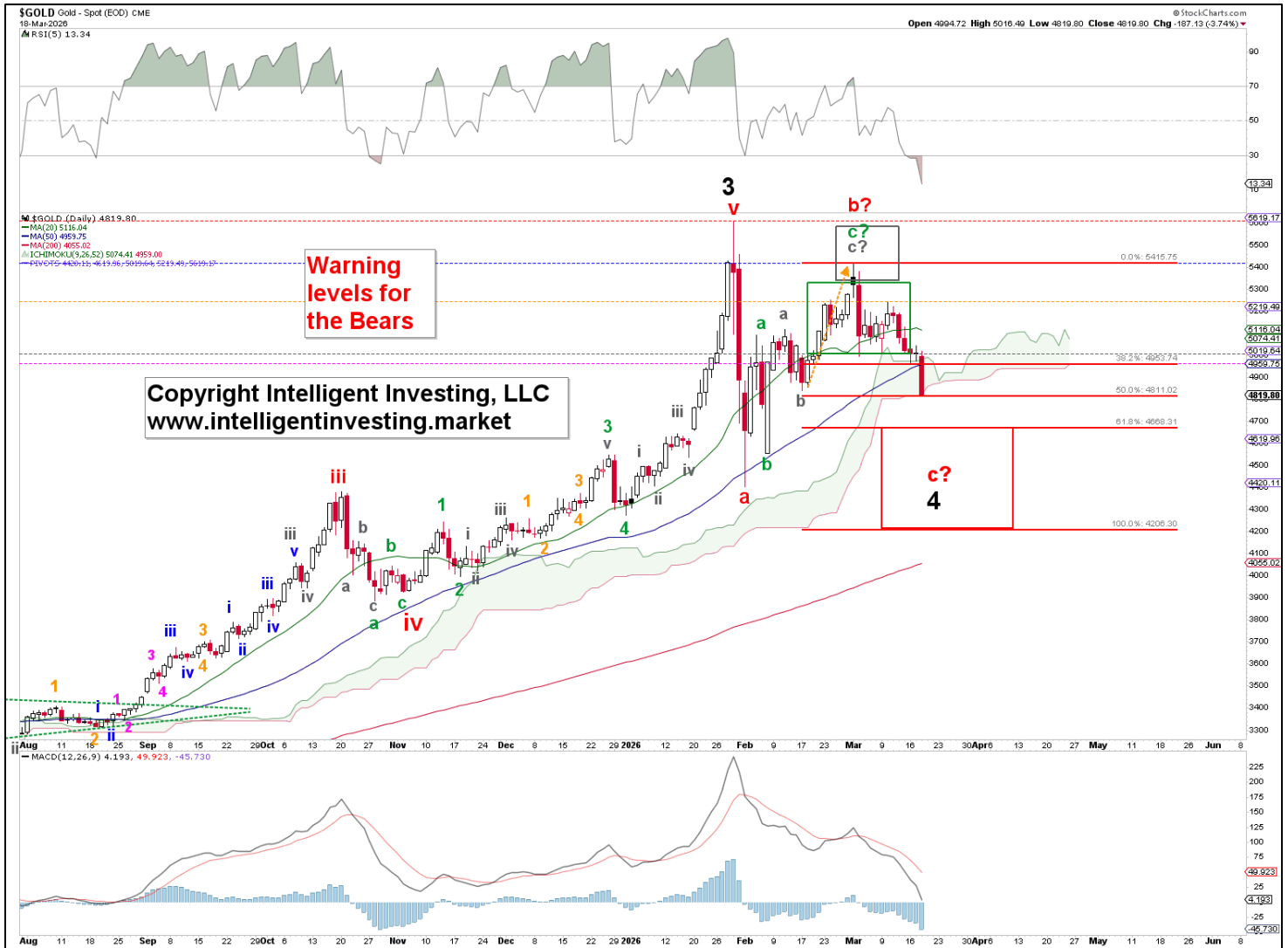
No change from a week ago, when we concluded: "Let's keep it very simple: **W-c** of **W-iv** should be underway, contingent on holding below at least 117." The **W-c** should ideally target 80-90, and it appears to be morphing into an ending diagonal, with **W-iii** of **W-c** likely bottoming out soon. Warning levels for the Bears are **96, 99, 106, 111, and 117.**



**GOLD Outlook: Intermediate term (months+) BULLISH. Short term (weeks) BEARISH.**

**Invalidation levels: 3260, 5608. Targets: 6500+, 4200-4700.**

No changes from last, as we have raised the downside target for **W-c** of **W-4** to \$4200-4700, contingent on holding below, at least, 5238. The warning levels for the bears are changed to **4967, 5015, 5238, 5419, and 5608.**



**GLD Outlook: Intermediate term (months+) BULLISH. Short term (weeks) BEARISH.**

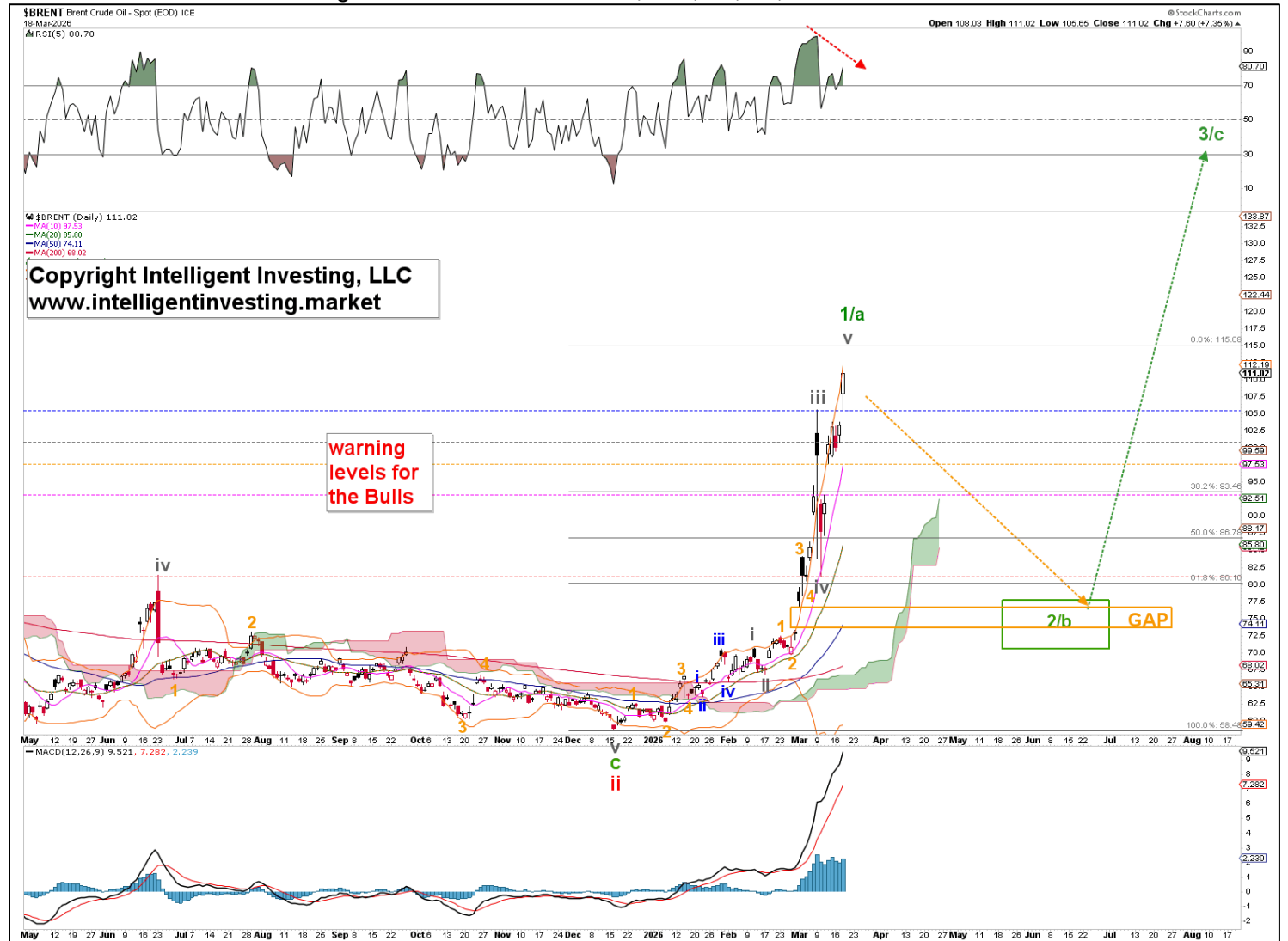
**Invalidation levels: 300, 492. Targets: 600+, 420+/-20.**

No changes from last, as we have raised the downside target for **W-c** of **W-4** to \$405-430, contingent on holding below at least 469. The warning levels for the bears are changed to **450, 457, 469, 481, and 492.**



**BRENT Outlook: Intermediate term (months) BULLISH. Short term (days to weeks) BULLISH.**  
**Invalidation levels: 59, 81. Targets: 150+, 115+**

Our forecast that “*W-v of W-1 should be underway to ideally 110-115*” remains steadfast and correct, so all we need to do is raise the warning levels for the bulls to **106, 101, 98, 93, and 81**.



## ETF TRADE ALERTS\*

- Short-term System (EoD): Hold time is days to weeks. The trading signal is generated at the EoD.
- Intermediate-term System (EoW): Hold time is weeks to months. The trading signal is generated at the EoW.
- Long-term System (EoM): Hold time is months to years. The trading signal is generated at the EoM.

Green = BUY or SELL,

Purple = Open Position (HOLD),

Yellow = prior action . BUY or SELL),

White = Stay in cash

### DOW JONES\* (DIA, other ETFs are DDM, UDOW)

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### NDX\* (QQQ, other ETFs are QLD, TQQQ)

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### S&P500\* (SPY, other ETFs are SSO, SPXL)

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### SEMI-CONDUCTORS\* (SOXX, other ETFs are USD, SOXL).

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### S&P600 Small Cap\* (IWM, other ETFs are UWM, TNA).

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### Bitcoin\* (IBIT)

- Short-term On 03/18 HOLD the position bought 03/02. Buy signal was given at 39.19. UP 2.7%
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### Ethereum\* (ETHE)

- Short-term On 03/18: HOLD the position bought 03/02. Buy signal was given at 16.59. UP 7.1% (!)
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

## MAGNIFICENT 7+ TRADE ALERTS\*

- Short-term System (EoD): Hold time is days to weeks. The trading signal is generated at EoD.
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### AAPL\*

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### AMZN\*

- **Short-term On 03/18: SELL the position bought 03/17. Buy signal was given at 215.20. DOWN 2.5%.**
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### GOOG\*

- **Short-term On 03/18: HOLD the position bought 03/17. Buy signal was given at 309.41. DOWN 1.0%**
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### META\*

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### MSFT\*

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### NFLX\*

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- **Intermediate-term on 03/13: HOLD the position bought 02/27. Buy signal was given at 96.24. DOWN 0.9%**

### NVDA\*

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

### TSLA\*

- Short-term On 03/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new signal.
- Intermediate-term on 03/13: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

# CRYPTOS TRADE ALERTS \*

*This is a working document because cryptocurrencies trade 24/7, 365 days a year. Check back daily around 4:30 pm PST to see if any signals have been generated. We also aim to provide timely daily updates on weekends, but personal circumstances may prevent this. We appreciate your patience and understanding.*

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## **BinanceCoin (BNB)\***

- Short-term On 03/18: HOLD the position bought 02/25. Buy signal was given at 629.53. UP 3.4%
- Intermediate-term System: On 03/15: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

## **Bitcoin (BTC)\***

- Short-term On 03/18: HOLD the position bought 02/25. Buy signal was given at 67998.99. UP 4.8%
- Intermediate-term System On 03/15: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

## **ChainLink (LINK)\***

- Short-term On 03/18: HOLD the position bought 02/25. Buy signal was given at 9.27. DOWN 0.4%
- Intermediate-term System On 03/15: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

## **Ethereum (ETH)\***

- Short-term On 03/18: HOLD the position bought 02/25. Buy signal was given at 2057.64. UP 6.8%
- Intermediate-term System On 03/15 Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

## **Solana (SOL)\***

- Short-term On 03/18: HOLD the position bought 02/25. Buy signal was given at 88.06. UP 2.5%
- Intermediate-term System On 03/15: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

## **TRON (TRX)\***

- Short-term On 03/18: HOLD the position bought 03/04. Buy signal was given at \$0.2871. UP 5.9%
- Intermediate-term System On 03/15: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

## TRADING IS BORING – JUST THE RULES, MA'AM\*

- Short-term results are (more) random than intermediate- to long-term. Focus accordingly.
- An "edge" appears only through repetition.
- Thus, a trader's job is not to win, but to relentlessly repeat the same actions.
- Therefore, a trader doesn't wait for opportunities driven by the urge and desire to trade.
- Your responsibility is to follow the rules, and nothing more.
  - Thus, you act only because
    - "The opportunity has arrived,"
    - "It's the rule,"
    - "There is no choice but to act."
- You don't have the authority to decide "*whether or not to follow that rule.*"
- Avoid setting a daily profit target.
  - It is irrelevant to you and beyond your control.
- If you are going to reflect, focus on failing to follow the rules. That will teach you!
- A trading system with a 50-50 win/loss ratio (WLR) and a 2-1 win/loss percentage (% WLP) is still more effective than one with a 90-10 (WLR) and a 1-5 (WLP).
  - It's not about how many trades you win.
  - It's about cutting losers and allowing winners to run.

Did you make a "good trade" today? Well, kudos to you, but if you only looked at the trade's profit to decide whether it was good, you did it all wrong. Specifically, your P/L is unrelated to that assessment. A profit gained by breaking your rules is the worst trade because it creates a false sense of success in your mind. Conversely, a loss that occurs while perfectly following your rules is a valuable learning experience that helps build a long-term edge.

Unless you can accept this, you haven't truly started trading.

Lastly, the 1<sup>st</sup> rule in trading is to always minimize your losses! Profits are secondary... Know the difference.

\*adapted from "Yumi 🌸🌸, @samuraipips358"

\*\*NOT TRADING ADVICE

## \*BACKTESTED TRADING SYSTEM PERFORMANCES

Our new trading systems work best by applying the compounding principle, which involves reinvesting some or all of your profits in the next trade. The more you compound, the better the returns will be. Please review the tables below.

Do not trade positions bought without the system's signals using the system's trading signals. Additionally, please refrain from entering a position when the trade is already in progress; wait for a new trading signal.

These systems operate entirely independently of our analyses. Do not try to combine or correlate them. They track prices and trends based on several parameters, triggering buy, sell, or hold signals via if/then conditions. Sometimes our analysis is correct while the system is wrong, or vice versa. Or both can be right or wrong. Therefore, these systems complement our analyses and represent the ultimate trading experience: simply execute the signal. Refer to the previous page for what trading really is: a mindless, boring process of execution. Nothing more, nothing less.

**The code for these trading systems is available for purchase. Please contact us for pricing details. It is written in Pine Script and can be directly integrated into TradingView, Alpaca, or Interactive Brokers (IBKR), allowing it to manage all your trading needs. Any AI, such as GROK or ChatGPT, can quickly translate code into another language if necessary.**

Year: 2025	SYSTEM					
Index	Short-term	Intermediate-term	Long-term*	Buy-n-Hold (2025)	Long-term**	Buy-n-Hold (2023-25)
SPX	8.5%	16.3%	15.8%	16.4%	43.5%	77.6%
NDX	10.5%	19.4%	18.3%	20.2%	69.1%	128.6%
DOW	4.5%	14.9%	9.0%	13.0%	27.2%	45.1%
SOX	20.9%	64.7%	27.7%	42.2%	85.8%	175.4%
* Only one trade (long entry) was executed in 2025						
**Backtesting from 01-01-2023, as the first long trade closed in March 2025 but was entered in 2023						

Year: 2025	SYSTEM			
STOCK	Short-term	Intermediate-term	Long-term*	Buy-n-Hold (2025)
AAPL	-11.4%	1.8%	18.0%	9.1%
AMZN	-1.5%	-8.7%	46.2%	5.2%
GOOGL	37.4%	89.6%	91.2%	66.0%
META	16.7%	17.6%	119.0%	13.1%
MSFT	9.1%	13.0%	26.2%	15.6%
NFLX	12.9%	11.1%	116.2%	5.3%
NVDA	14.1%	51.5%	157.6%	38.9%
TSLA	18.1%	26.4%	100.9%	11.4%

Year: From Inception	SYSTEM			
Index	Short-term	Intermediate-term	Long-term	Buy-n-Hold
SPX	278587.0%	211376.0%	319189.0%	154122.2%
NDX	1484.0%	6417.0%	11477.0%	20375.2%
DOW	2233433.0%	202999.0%	90204.0%	117126.8%
SOX	6265.0%	5739.4%	16174.8%	3226.1%

*\*Past performance is no guarantee of future results. The trading systems' signals are derived from data believed to be accurate, but such accuracy or completeness cannot be guaranteed. It should not be assumed that such signals, past or future, will be profitable, equal past performance, or ensure future performance or trends, primarily since a human writes these emails and may contain errors and omissions. LAST GENERATED 03/13/2026.*

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