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ETF, CRYPTO & MAGNIFICENT 7+ TRADE ALERTS

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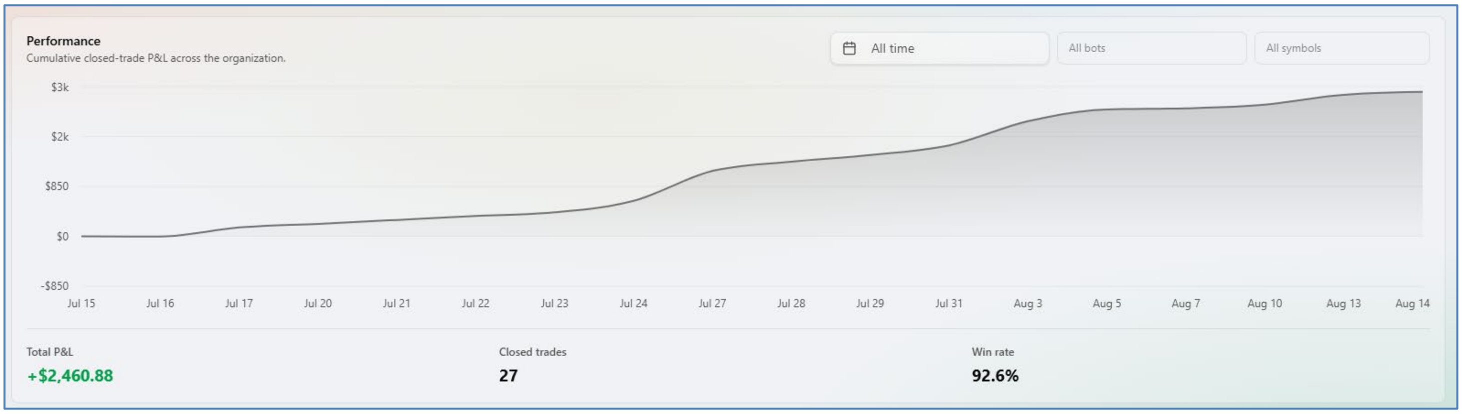

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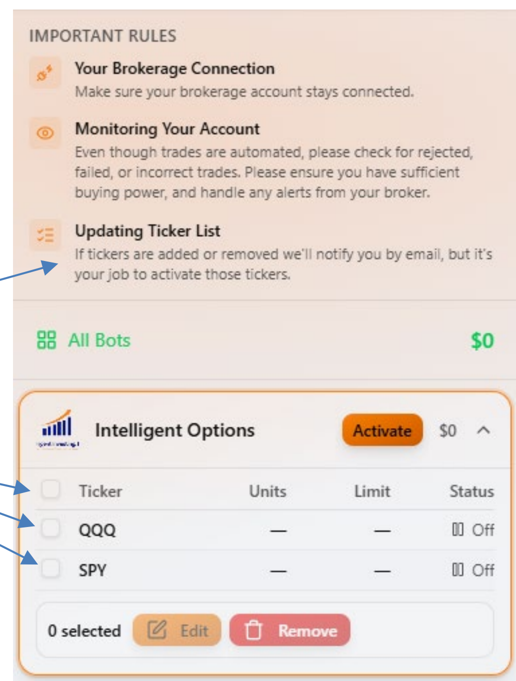

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STOCKMARKET

DOW JONES INDUSTRIAL AVERAGE (DOW) & NYSE

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BEARISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BEARISH

Zooming in a bit on the DOW, we see overlapping price action from the June 9 low, which suggests a possible ending diagonal: **1-2-3-4-5**. With the 5th wave matching seasonality?! See the SPX section. But below the July 29 low and a larger top, see the NYSE, is in. Indeed, the NYSE appears to be forming a very large ending diagonal since the 2022 low, with a smaller diagonal inside it preceding the 2025 Trump Tariff Tantrum Crash.

Since EDs are overlapping abc's, which really describes the price action well, we would reasonably expect a red **W-viii**, **ix** for **W-3**. But it is not necessary. Note that this "vagueness" is because the patterns are so overlapping and, as such, we agree with someone "famous" recently writing, "*across my literally tens of thousands of hours of watching price charts unfold in real-time, I haven't seen too many markets behave this consistently strangely, particularly from a pattern perspective. Micro-patterns that would resolve 90% of the time in a typical market never get resolved in this one. Obviously, you could say, "Well, this is just the 10% of the time they don't resolve," and I would agree if it only happened once or twice—but it's been continuous.*"

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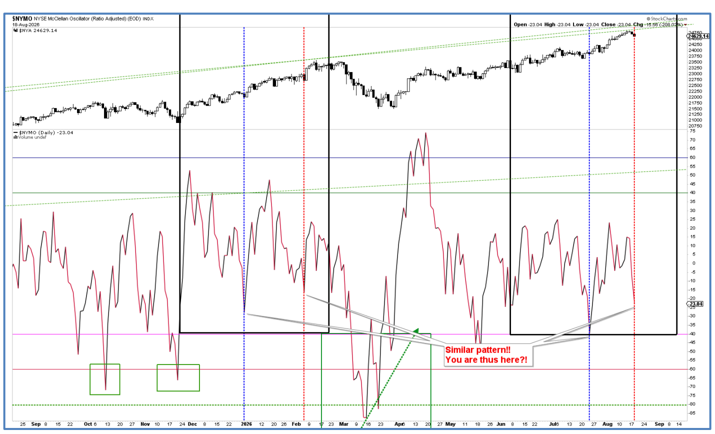
Radar lock (20%)	Shot across the bow (40%)	1st hit Caution (60%)	2nd hit critical (80%)	3rd hit, ship sinks (100%)

ELLIOTT WAVE Charts With Key Technical Indicators & Market Breadth Charts (McClellan Oscillator and Summation Index)

DOW

NYSE

NYMO



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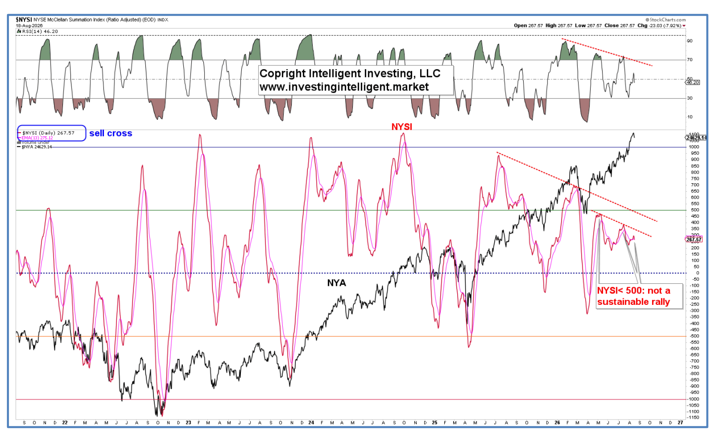

S&P500 (SPX)

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BEARISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BULLISH

WAVE LABEL KEY

[W-3]	[W-c]	[W-5	[W-iv, v]	7696+/-30
Major Impulse	Intermediate Impulse	Minor Impulse	Minute Impulse	7885-7995 Fib target zone

The rare (expanding) ending diagonal (EED) option has been eliminated because the decline is too deep. We are now left with two options as we track a possible five-wave decline from the recent ATH, which could be the **c-wave** of an irregular flat 4th wave (chart 1, gray **W-iv**) or the start of a larger decline (chart 2, **gray W-a/i**). Thus, a Bullish option remains alive: A final 5th wave, **W-v**, off the July 29 low can still reach the ideal target zone of 7885-7995 before a larger correction begins. The alternative (bearish) option is that the larger top may already be in, with the current structure looking like the early stages of that move lower. Thus, either a bounce (**W-b/ii**) or a new rally (**W-v**) appears imminent as this decline is wrapping up.

We have also updated the seasonality table, which shows it remains on track, with all turn dates still within the +/-5 trading days margin of error. Several of the averages fell on a Sunday this year, so the high or low is due the Monday after, as that's the nearest trading day.

Meanwhile, there have been 8 Hindenberg Omen Signals recently (possibly a 9th today), while the high-risk bond market is diverging, i.e., derisking. Combined with the EWP counts (either way), seasonality, non-confirming breadth, etc., a "storm" instead of a tailwind appears to be brewing.

ELLIOTT WAVE Hourly Charts With Key Technical Indicators & Seasonality

CHART 1

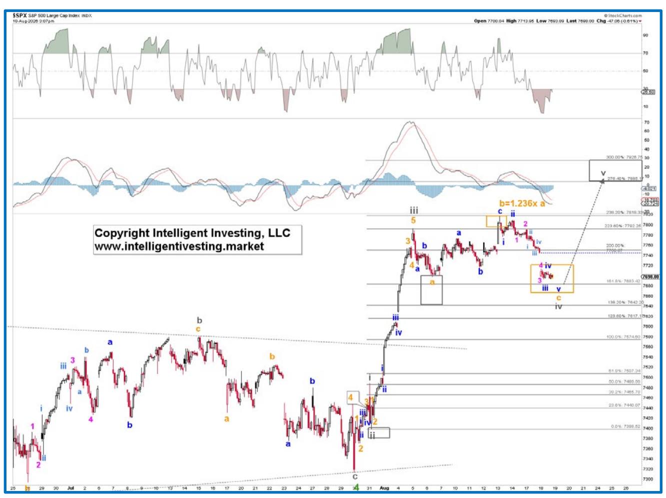

CHART 2

SEASONALITY

Mid-term Election Year Seasonality: closing price based			
Average		Current Market (+/-5 trading days)	
26-Jul	LOW	29-Jul	Jul 26 is a Sunday => Jul 27 = +2 days ☑
2-Aug	HIGH	4-Aug	Aug 2 is a Sunday => Aug 3 = +1 day ☑
6-Aug	LOW	6-Aug	on the day ☑
9-Aug	HIGH	13-Aug	Aug 9 is a Sunday => Aug 10 ☑
12-Aug	LOW	August 18, 19? W-4?, +5 trading days = OK	
24-Aug	HIGH	TBD	W-5?
30-Sep	LOW	TBD	Larger C-wave?

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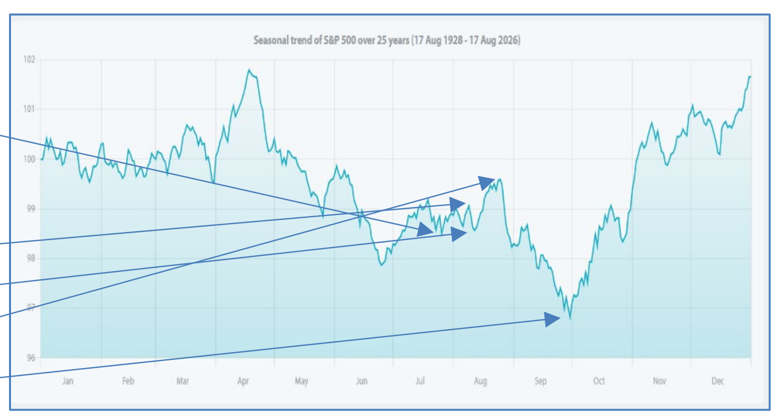

SEMICONDUCTOR INDEX (SOX)

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BEARISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BEARISH

WAVE LABEL KEY

[W-4?]	[W-iv?]	[W-c]?	[W-a/i]?	~8250
Major Corrective	Intermediate corrective	Minor Impulse	Minute Impulse	Fib target zone

Today's strong gap lower suggests the counter-trend rally is over, but we need to see a break below 10922 to be certain, with a serious warning for the Bulls below 11707. Above yesterday's high, we can still see ~13040-650 for a 62.8-76.4% retracement and an ugly subdividing W-b, where the recent top was only W-a, the current decline W-b, and W-c of W-b about to commence. Welcome to counter-trend rallies, which are the least reliable patterns after diagonals. And the market is full of both recently…

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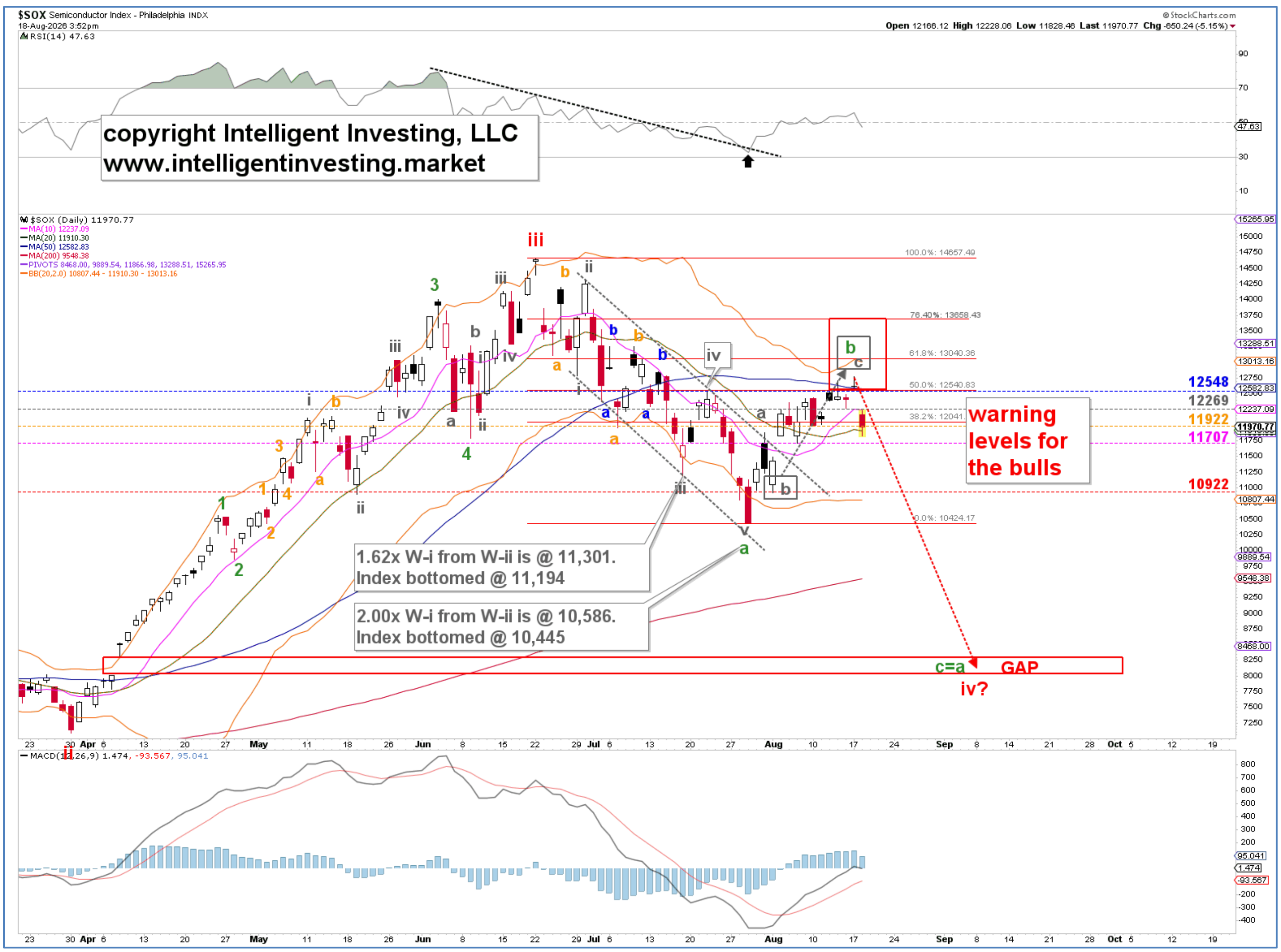

NASDAQ100/NASDAQ (NDX/NAS)

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BEARISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BEARISH

WAVE LABEL KEY

[W-4]	[W-c]?	[W-a/1]?	[W-a/i]?	24250-26500
Major Corrective	Intermediate corrective	Minor Impulse	Minute Impulse	Fib target zone

Today’s strong gap lower suggests the counter-trend rally is over, but we need to see a break below NDX27954 to be certain, with a serious warning for the Bulls below NDX28606. Above yesterday’s high, we can still see ~NDX30725 for an almost 100% retracement as a B-wave of a larger flat 4th wave, where the recent top was only **W-a**, the current decline **W-b**, and **W-c** of **W-b** about to commence. Welcome to counter-trend rallies, which are the least reliable patterns after diagonals. And the market is full of both recently…

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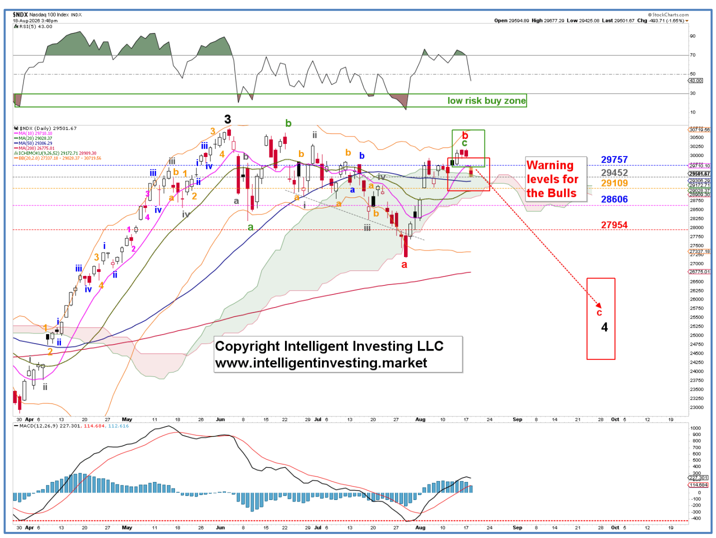

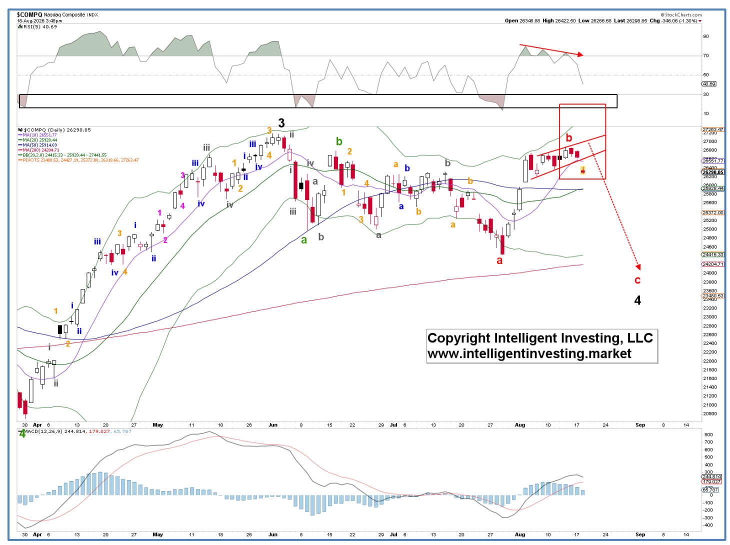

CRYPTO CURRENCIES

BITCOIN (BTC)

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BULLISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BULLISH

NO CHANGES FROM YESTERDAY DUE TO TODAY'S FOLLOW THOUGH, I.E., HIGHER PRICES: AS LONG AS $62418 AND ESPECIALLY $62217 HOLD WE CAN ALLOW FOR HIGHER PRICES.

WAVE LABEL KEY

[W-v] Intermediate Impulse wave	[W-3] Minor Impulse	[W-iii, iv, v] Minute Impulse	75000-77000 Fib target zone

CURRENT WAVE POSITION

W-ii has likely completed as well. Note the Bollinger bands are very tight: a big move is coming. As long as the warning levels hold, we expect the W-iii of W-3 to be underway.

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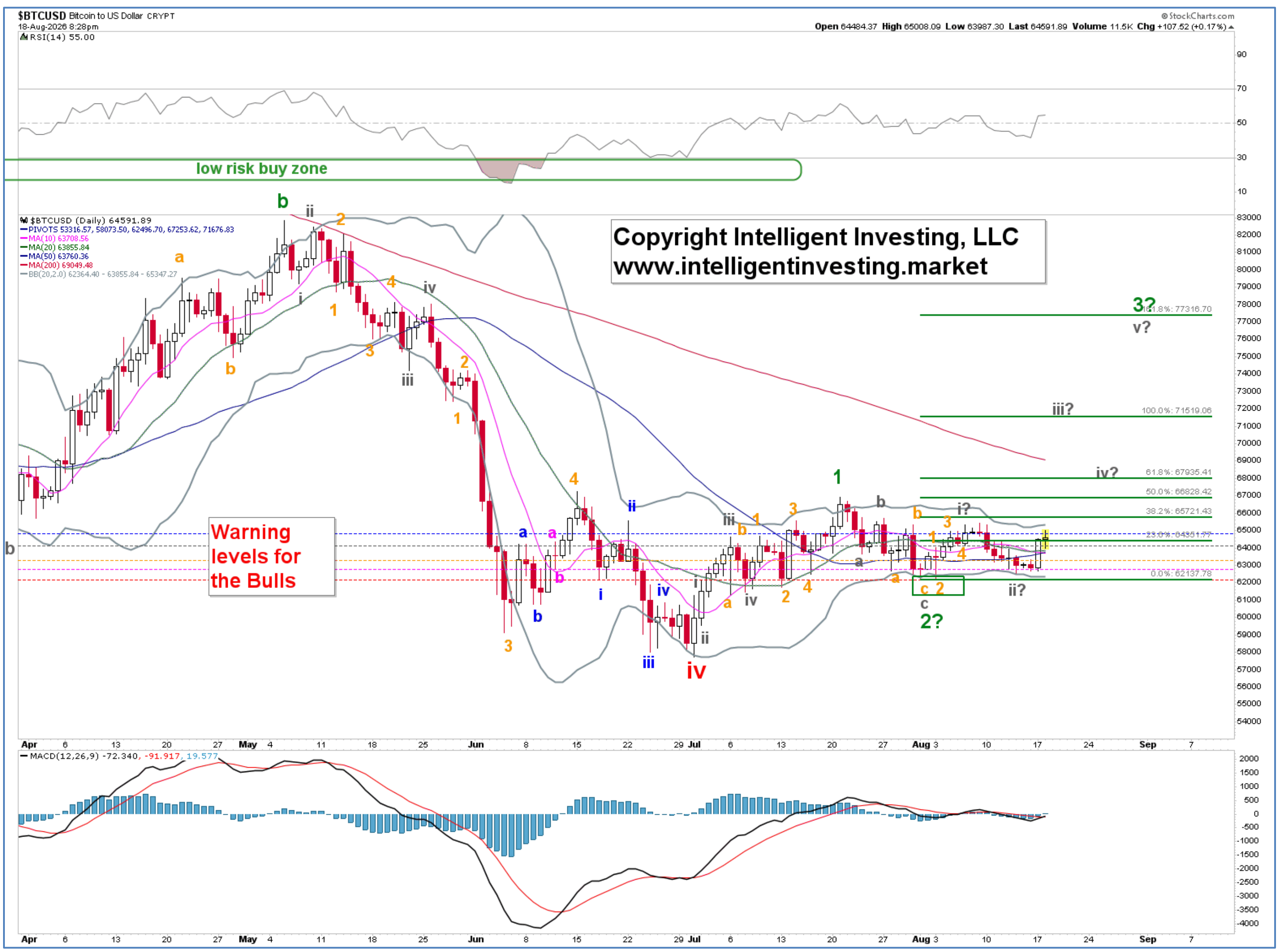
ELLIOTT WAVE Chart With Key Technical Indicators



ETHEREUM (ETH)

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BULLISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BULLISH.

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WAVE LABEL KEY

[W-5] Major Impulse Wave	[W-i] Intermediate Impulse	[W-1] Minor Impulse	[W-iii] Minute Impulse	[W-3,4,5] Micro Impulse	$2475-2580 Fib target zone

CURRENT WAVE POSITION

W-2 has likely completed. Note the Bollinger bands are very tight: a big move is coming. As long as the warning levels hold, we expect the W-3 of W-iii to be underway.

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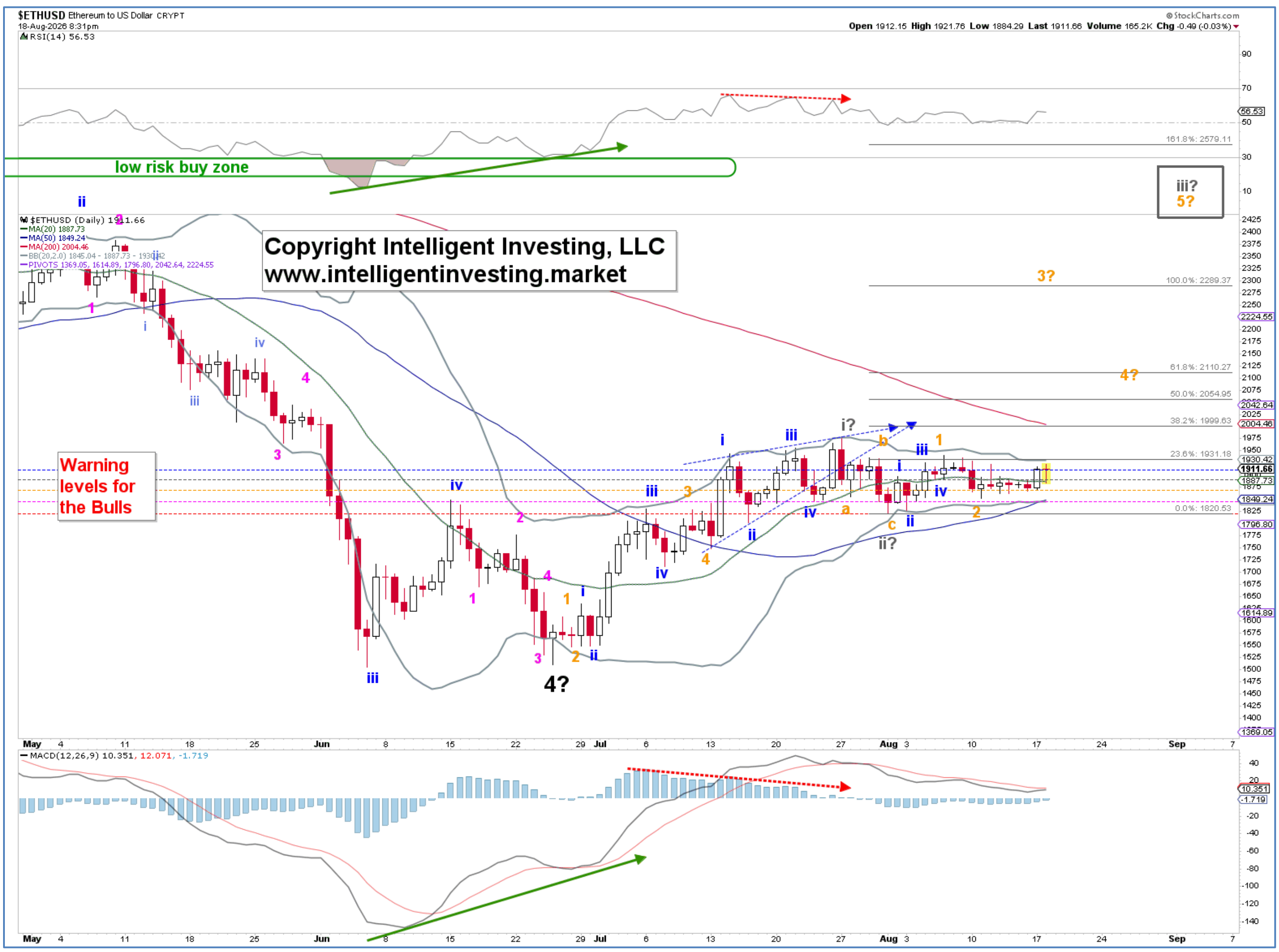

GOLD, MINERS & OIL

GOLD MINERS (GDX)

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BULLISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BULLISH

WAVE LABEL KEY

[W-5]	[W-i]	[W-1]	[W-iii]	[W-5]	~$98+/-4
Major Impulse wave	Intermediate Impulse	Minor Impulse	Minute Impulse	Micro Impulse	Fib target zone

CURRENT WAVE POSITION

W-4, could still be underway, morphing into a complex flat, and W-5 of W-iii should still follow.

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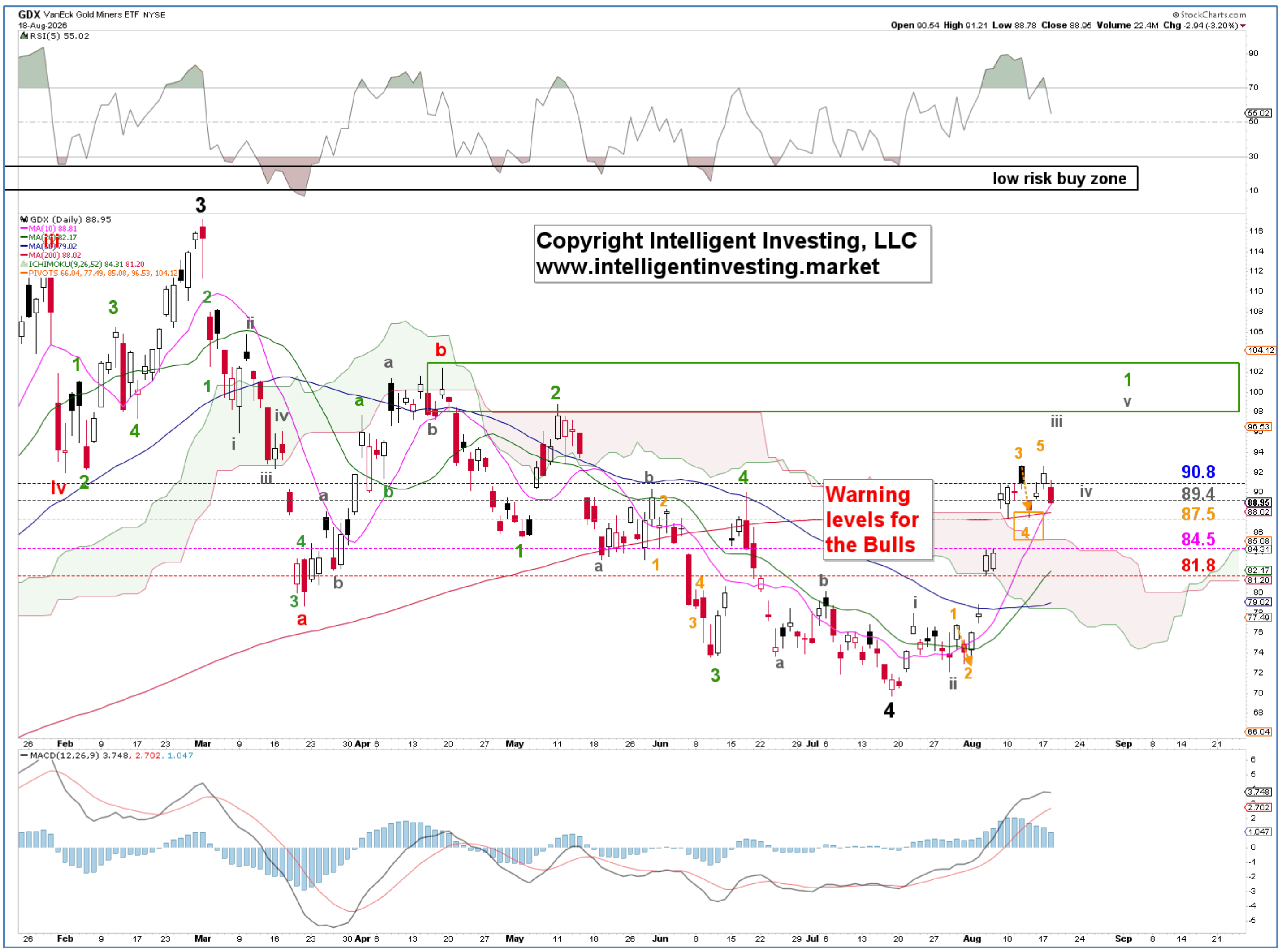

GOLD (GLD)

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BULLISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BULLISH

WAVE LABEL KEY

[W-5]	[W-i]	[W-3]	[W-iv, v]	$4,750+/-50
Major Impulse wave	Intermediate Impulse	Minor Impulse	Minute Impulse	Fib target zone

CURRENT WAVE POSITION

W-iv could still be underway, morphing into a larger flat, and W-v of W-3 of W-i still has to follow.

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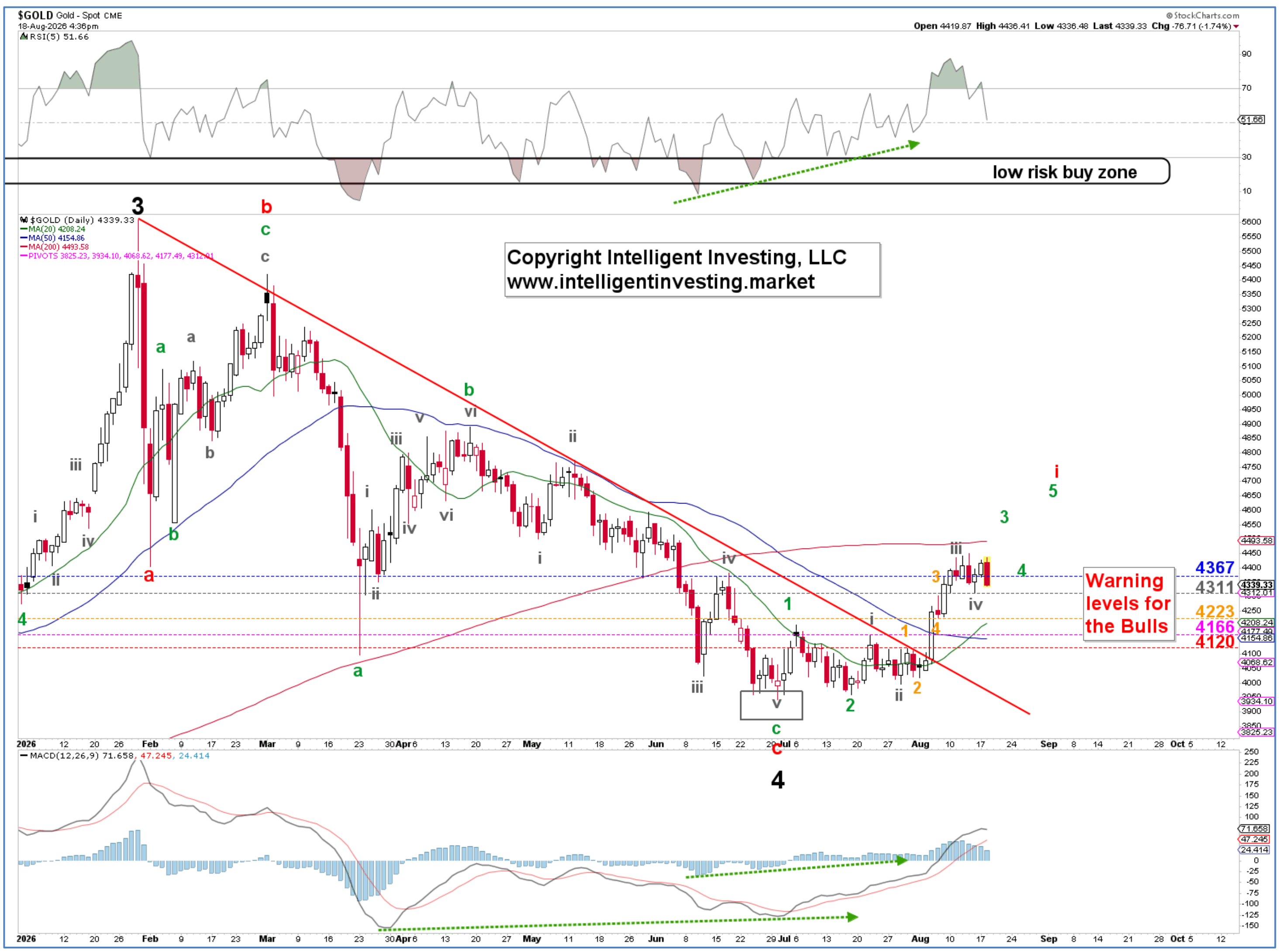

BRENT, WTIC (OIL, UCO, USO).

Outlook: Medium term (weeks to ~6 months) BULLISH. Short-term (days to ~2 weeks) BULLISH

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WAVE LABEL KEY

[W-3/c] Major Impulse wave	[W-i Intermediate Impulse	[W-3]? Minor Corrective	[W-i]? Minute Corrective	$94-98 (BRENT) $88-90 (WTIC) Fib target zone

CURRENT WAVE POSITION FOR BRENT

W-i of W-3 of W-i should now be underway.

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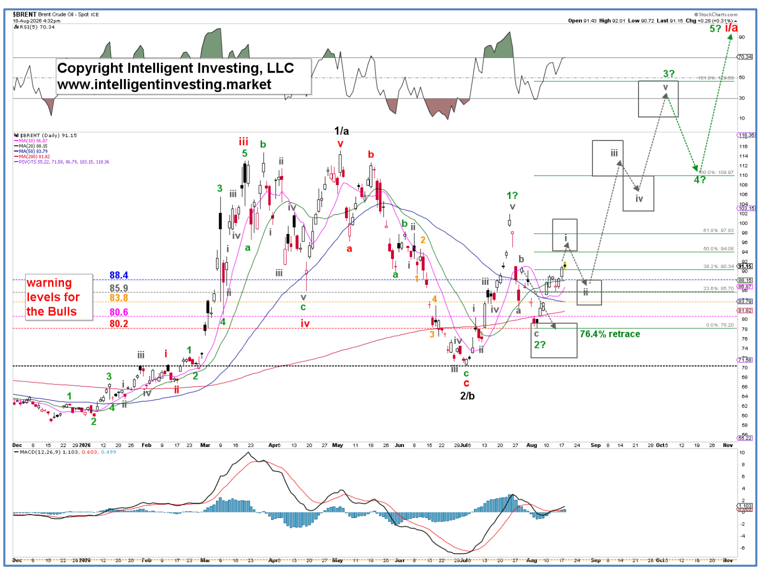

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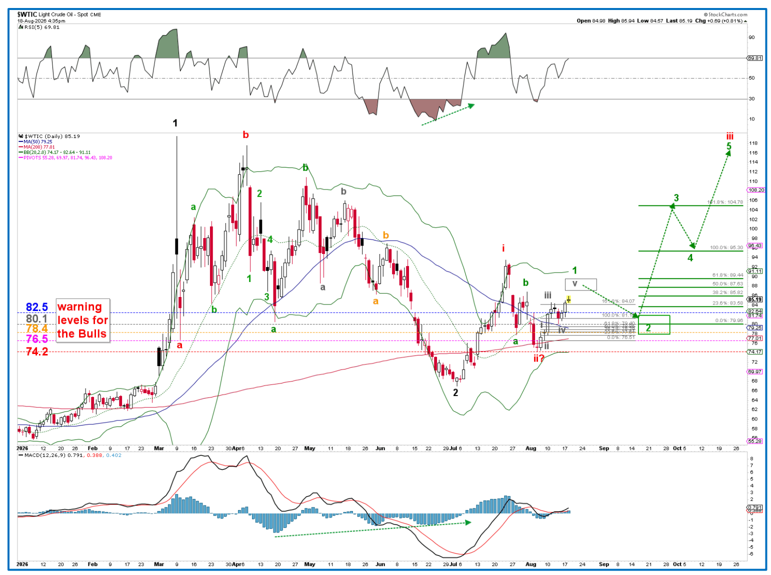

ETF TRADE ALERTS*

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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 08/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 04/17 at 49447.43. UP 8.4%

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

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/03 at 28776. UP 2.4%.
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 08/07. Signal given at 29772. UP 0.9%

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

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 07/31 at 7489. UP 2.7%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 04/17 at 7126.06. UP 14.2%(!)

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

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/04 at 12719. DOWN 1.4%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal

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

- Short-term on 08/18: SELL the position bought 08/03 at 1798. DOWN 0.3%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 04/10 at 1584.15 UP 15.3% (!)

Bitcoin* (IBIT)

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/06 at 36.49. UP 0.3%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal

Ethereum* (ETHE)

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/06 at 15.28. UP 0.1%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 07/24 at 15.02. UP 1.3%

MAGNIFICENT 7++ TRADE ALERTS*

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AAPL*

- Short-term on 08/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 07/02 at 308.63. DOWN 0.9%

AMZN*

- Short-term on 08/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 07/31 at 271.58. DOWN 3.2%

GOOG*

- Short-term on 08/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

META*

- Short-term on 08/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

MSFT*

- Short-term on 08/18: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 07/31 at 464.72. UP 6.4%

NFLX*

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 07/28 at 72.39. UP 7.6%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

NVDA*

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/03 at 206.64. UP 6.3%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: HOLD the position bought 08/07 at 223.96. UP 0.7%

SPCX*

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/07 at 133.11. UP 7.3%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

TSLA*

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/07 at 328.58. UP 2.6%
- Intermediate-term on 08/14: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

CRYPTOS TRADE ALERTS *

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BinanceCoin (BNB)*

- Short-term on 08/18: SELL the position bought 07/26 at 573. UP 3.6%
- **Intermediate-term on 08/16: BUY a position. Signal given at 602.53.**

Bitcoin (BTC)*

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/06 at 64269. UP 0.5%.
- Intermediate-term on 08/16: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

ChainLink (LINK)*

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/10 at 8.29. UP 14.2%
- Intermediate-term on 08/16: HOLD the position bought 07/26 at 8.6. UP 6.5%

Ethereum (ETH)*

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/06 at 1902. UP 0.6%
- Intermediate-term on 08/16: HOLD the position bought 07/26 at 1912. DOWN 3.9%

Solana (SOL)*

- Short-term on 08/18: HOLD the position bought 08/17 at 75.84. UP 1.2%.
- Intermediate-term on 08/16: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

TRON (TRX)*

- **Short-term on 08/18: BUY a position. Signal given at 0.333.**
- Intermediate-term on 08/16: Stay in cash and wait for a new buy signal.

*BACKTESTED TRADING SYSTEM PERFORMANCES

Our new trading systems work best when you apply the compounding principle, which involves reinvesting some or all your profits into 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 analysis. Do not try to combine or correlate them. They track prices and trends across several parameters, triggering buy, sell, or hold signals based on 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 integrated directly with TradingView, Alpaca, or Interactive Brokers (IBKR), enabling 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%

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