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China: 5% tax on aluminium imports?



Mining Journal citing smelter officials and traders as saying that China is expected to reinstate a 5% tax on imports of primary aluminium it had cancelled two years ago

from March 1st as stocks in the world's top aluminium market balloon. Traders said the tax may spur Chinese importers to cancel or delay tens of thousands tonnes of spot primary aluminium due to arrive in coming weeks. China produces more aluminium than it needs. But Chinese aluminium prices have surpassed the cost of imports after the State Reserves Bureau bought 290,000 tonnes from eight smelters in December as part of a plan to support smelters because of weak demand, spurring merchants and fabricators to import spot metal. A trader estimated Chinese importers had contracted to import about 40,000 tonnes of spot aluminium for delivery in late February and March. Smelter officials said rising imports would weigh on ..read more

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**Metal Prices**

Non Ferrous Metal prices  
LME official of 02/24/2009

	Cash (ASK)	3 months (ASK)
Aluminium	0	0
Aluminium alloy	0	0
Nickel	0	0
Lead	0	0
Copper	0	0
Tin	0	0
Zinc	0	0

**Technical analysis: by Kauffmann & Sons**



**Aluminium QUOTATION (USD)**

	3 MONTH		CASH		Support
	BID	ASK	BID	ASK	
Resistance					
1480	1340	1345	1310	1315	1320
1410					1250
	Totals		Movements		
STOCKS	3118925		30850		
RSI	36,46				
Short period trend			SIDE		
Medium period trend			DOWN		

ASK : the quoted market selling price.  
 BID: the quoted market buying price  
 CASH: the current price in the market for cash/spot contracts  
 3 MONTHS: the current price in the market for a delivery delayed of 3 months  
 SUPPORT: a price area where new buying is likely to come in and stem any decline  
 RESISTANCE: a price area where new selling will emerge to dampen a continued rise

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Uncsaal's Economic Study Committee offers its usual economic analysis "Il mercato dell'involucro edilizio in Italia - Serramenti metallici e facciate continue 2007 - scenari 2008" ("The building shell market in Italy – Metal windows and doors and curtain walls – Scenarios for 2008").

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