QUOTES OF THE DAY

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#	SCORE	SPEAKER	QUOTE / TIME ET / VENUE	CONTEXT	AFFECTS	VERIF.	SRC
1	19 5/4/5/5	**Donald Trump** U.S. President POLITICS/GEOPOLITICS	**"No, but I would do it... We would have it to talk about nuclear weapons and denuclearization."** ~3:30 PM (South Lawn) · Remarks to reporters outside the White House; Rapid Response 47 clip	Rate-path/geopolitics: open to Trump-Xi-Putin APEC sideline on denuclearization; Ukraine optional. Markets price alliance and oil risk, not a signed deal.	**EUR, defense Europe (LMT, RTX), BZ/CL, UST 10Y, gold (GC), risk premium**	2+ OUTLETS	1,2,3,4
2	18 5/4/4/5	**Jensen Huang** CEO, NVIDIA TECH/AI	**"That knowledge belongs to you. It cannot be replaced. AI can only augment your capability, it will not replace your capability. Take advantage of the technology. It's a new instrument."** ~afternoon Berlin (Invest in Germany Summit) · Stage discussion with Chancellor Merz; NVIDIA blog Oct 19	Physical AI / industrial AI: Joint Declaration of Intent with Germany on factory/robot models. NVDA platform into Mittelstand. Green Monday chip rebound backdrop.	**NVDA, European industrials (SIEGY), autos (MBG.DE), semis (SMH), EUR**	PRIMARY	5,6,7
3	18 5/5/4/4	**Elon Musk** CEO, Tesla and SpaceX TECH/AI	**"Next year, I will give one of my SpaceX shares to every kid in America. This will be the first of many."** 3:52 AM · X post	Private-share distribution as 'universal high income' framing. Trump later tied it to TRUMP ACCOUNTS. Pre-SpaceX Oct 20 and Tesla Oct 21 earnings narrative.	**TSLA, SpaceX (private), retail wealth narrative, AI abundance narrative**	PRIMARY	8,9,10
4	18 5/4/5/4	**Donald Trump** U.S. President POLITICS/GEOPOLITICS	**"Zelensky is a man that should've had this war settled a long time ago. ... I think it's time for somebody else to negotiate on behalf of Ukraine."** ~3:40 PM (South Lawn) · Remarks to reporters; Rapid Response 47 clips	Negotiation-agent risk: U.S. pressure on Kyiv while diesel waiver/refinery-strike framing continues. Defense and EUR into open.	**defense Europe (LMT, RTX), EUR, BZ/CL, HO**	2+ OUTLETS	11,3,12
5	17 4/3/5/5	**Jamie Dimon** CEO, JPMorgan Chase ECONOMY/MARKETS/FED	**"You know, look, the American economy is kind of booming right now. It's good times. ... Corporations are not overleveraged. Consumers are not leveraged. Unemployment is really low."** ~morning (WSJ Leadership Institute) · WSJ Leadership Institute interview / podcast published Oct 19	Boom framing vs sticky CPI and midterm polls. AI capex as near-term spending (maybe inflationary now, deflationary later). Index-level into Oct 28 FOMC.	**SPX, NDX, JPM, UST 2Y/10Y, AI capex complex (NVDA, META, AMZN)**	2+ OUTLETS	13,14,15
6	16 4/3/4/5	**Kevin Hassett** Director, National Economic Council ECONOMY/MARKETS/FED	**"People are really euphoric about how well the economy is doing, and they're spending more. And of course, that's the kind of thing the Fed needs to pay attention to."** ~morning (Squawk Box) · CNBC Squawk Box	Demand-pull from 'euphoria' as a Fed-watch input after 3.7% CPI. Boom narrative vs Conference Board confidence lows. Oct 28 FOMC.	**UST 2Y/10Y, SPX, XLF, Fed funds path (ZQ/SR3)**	2+ OUTLETS	16,17,18,1
7	16 5/3/4/4	**Friedrich Merz** Chancellor of Germany POLITICS/GEOPOLITICS	**"Please open your doors for AI to make use of your data. This is a real secret and a real advantage for Germany to make use of all the data which is already available in our companies."** ~afternoon Berlin (Invest in Germany Summit) · Stage with Jensen Huang; NVIDIA blog Oct 19	Industrial-data sovereignty: Mittelstand data as input to physical AI models with NVIDIA. EUR/industrial AI narrative.	**NVDA, SIEGY, European industrials, EUR**	PRIMARY	5,6
8	16 4/3/5/4	**Volodymyr Zelensky** President of Ukraine POLITICS/GEOPOLITICS	**"You can't think about making money with Russia as long as it continues its asinine war. We ask that sanctions on Russia stay in place as long as the killings continue. We ask America to be strong, and we ask it to apply the Lindsey Graham law."** 12:51 PM · X post (official English)	Sanctions/export-flow politics after a park café shahed kill (Angelina, ~1). Counterweight to diesel-waiver and trilateral-without-Kyiv talk.	**defense Europe (LMT, RTX), HO, BZ/CL, EUR, sanctions narrative**	PRIMARY	20,21
9	15 4/3/4/4	**Volodymyr Zelensky** President of Ukraine POLITICS/GEOPOLITICS	**"I met in Kyiv with a team from the American defense company Lockheed Martin, which helps us save lives. Its Patriot systems and F-16 aircraft play an important role in defending against Russian ballistic missiles and jet-powered "shaheds." And things are not easy with either right now."** 1:11 PM · X post (official English)	Air-defense supply: interceptor ramp and F-16 maintenance in Ukraine. LMT contract narrative.	**LMT, RTX, defense Europe**	PRIMARY	22

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10	14 5/3/3/3	**Satya Nadella** CEO, Microsoft TECH/AI	**“I recently wrote about why we need to treat models as insider risks, with security controls sitting outside the model itself. Today, we're putting that principle into practice by expanding Project Perception with new capabilities to help continuously assess agent risk, adapt permissions, and contain threats.”** 9:05 AM · X post linking Microsoft blog	Agentic AI security: models as insider risk. Enterprise IT/governance spend angle ahead of AI earnings week.	**MSFT, cybersecurity (CRWD, PANW), enterprise software**	PRIMARY	23,24

Score axes P/N/R/M = Speaker power / Novelty / Reach / Market relevance, 1-5 each. Ties: market, then power, then novelty, then earlier time.

UNCONFIRMED, NOT RANKED · Matthew McConaughey: X trending summary only. No primary video transcript verified in window for exact longer quote. Hook phrase only; Kyrie Irving: Trending summary only. No primary transcript pulled; Benjamin Netanyahu: Translations need the speaker's official English version or mark unconfirmed. Phone-call video with Trump is Sunday endorsement follow-up

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