



**From the Desk of Nick Nicolaas – (FDNN)  
Alert #43**

**(A Must Read Prior to Saturday March 22, 2008)**

March 17, 2008

**- Once again "What Will the Future Bring"?**  
**- Is the "Financial Tsunami" Cresting?**  
**- The next "Turnaround date" is Saturday March 22, 2008**

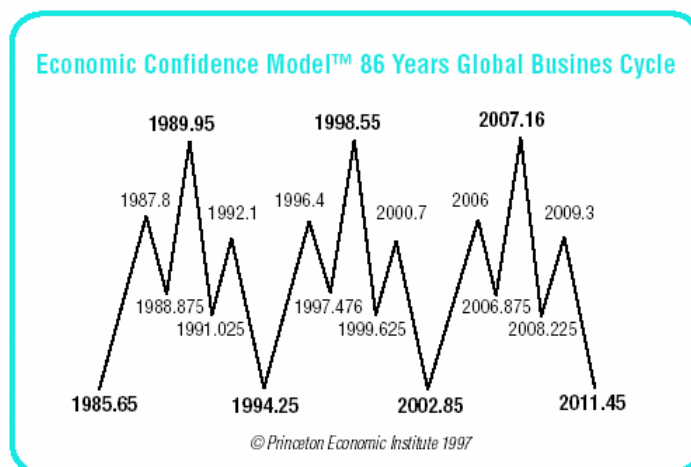
Dear Friends:

I will not go into the WHY'S because if you do not know WHY by now then you have not been paying attention to the HEADLINES since January 1, 2008 outlining the components of the Perfect Storm and Financial Tsunami in the making and if you have not been paying attention that means - - - you have no interest in your own financial well being and anything I write will be lost on you anyway. So this FDNN is for those that care and are concerned as to what the future may bring as it relates to their investment portfolios and their Peace of Mind. So let's cut to the chase:

**PREFACE**

On March 14, 2007 in "**FDNN – Alerts #35 (The Bull Stops Here) and #36 (The Sequel to The Bull Stops Here)**" dated February 18 and February 25, 2007, FDNN correctly predicted the February 27, 2007 Turnaround Date in the Financial Markets. That prediction based on the Martin Armstrong "Economic Confidence Model" and its 86 Years Global Business Cycle

**To View Martin Armstrong's essay  
"The Business Cycle and the Future" dated September 26, 1999**



**For clarity**, it is important that we again quote the paragraphs below which we wrote on March 14, 2007 (**FDNN – Alert #38**) which was written post February 27, 2007 Turnaround Date:

"We recommend that in order to protect yourself and your investment portfolio, you should be light in the Financial Markets (Treasury Bills are OK to park your cash, which is king, if you need to, it does not give you much interest but it is relatively safe) but as this Panic and Despair unfolds you should be heavily weighted in the commodities including the metals which are in a Secular Bull trend (the Trend is always your friend). As Ian Woods says "Long term we believe and have not changed our stance - - - **commodity based (particularly gold and silver) investments will be a great place to be**".

**We also wrote:**

"You should look at the 1927 Crash because there is a very good chance that the Financial Markets

today are unfolding in a similar fashion i.e. There will be Dead Cat bounces but there will be a massive Financial Market correction. When that happens "Gold will go to the moon" as did Homestake during that time in the late 1920's."

WELL FRIENDS, WE HAVE NOT CHANGED OUR MINDS SINCE OUR FDNN WARNINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2007. The universe unfolded as we expected and in mid August 2007 the markets corrected to the downside followed by another "dead cat bounce" to the upside in the fall. Then in the first week of trading in January 2008, the Dow, S&P and the Gold market gave us the signal that the Financial Tsunami was starting to crest and thus the signal that the financial markets were in deep trouble and that Gold would be our knight in shining armour.

**END**

Martin Armstrong also wrote on October 3, 1998:

"The interference by governments in the financial market place has now come to its zenith and has become economically very dangerous indeed. The unconscious printing of money by governments will have to come to an end. Because gold is the enemy of fiat currency, they have tried to keep gold from rallying. If it would not have been for the suppression by the Manipulators then gold would, by now, be much higher than what it is today. I totally agree with GATA that very soon the Manipulators will no longer be able to suppress gold in defense of their paper currency. Soon the only real currency, gold, will stand up with a vengeance and be counted."

**END**

Friends, it is interesting to note that this Martin Armstrong paragraph above in October 1998 could have been written today as well. Please reread the last two sentences again and especially the last sentence "Soon the only real currency, gold, will stand up with a vengeance and be counted."

Well when gold broke \$256 to the upside that is exactly what happened.

The Manipulators finally have lost control and yes, I guarantee that they will come up with another scheme or two (I hope they will be good ones) to turn this Financial Tsunami but in the meantime Gold is winning the day.

After Julius Caesar's bloody assassination in March of 44 B.C., the Ides of March assumed a whole new identity. The phrase came to represent "a specific day of abrupt change" that set off a ripple of repercussions throughout Roman society and beyond. In Cicero's letters from the months after the Ides of March - - - He even says, "The Ides changed everything."

### **THE IDES ARE ONCE AGAIN UPON US!!!**

**March 22, 2008 is the next Turnaround Date  
(a specific day of abrupt change)!**  
**The Ides may once again change everything  
(What will March 22, 2008 bring?).**

With all that is going on, the odds are very high for a Major correction. Therefore our stance has not changed, especially now with all that is happening, the Financial Tsunami is starting to move towards its Zenith and we still VERY STRONGLY recommend, as before, that in order to protect yourself and your investment portfolio, you should be light in the Financial Markets (Treasury Bills are OK to park your cash, which is king (this does not give you much interest but it is relatively safe). The Panic and Despair is unfolding as we write this. It is still our view that you should be heavily weighted in the commodities including the metals which are in a Secular Bull trend (the Trend is always your friend). Again I quote Ian Woods who says "Long term we believe and have not changed our stance - - - so again we say **commodity based (particularly gold and silver) investments will be a great place to be**".

As the Financial Tsunami crests the commodities may be hit as well which will represent "ANOTHER BUYING OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME". Remember the commodities may only be hit for a short period of time. We do not know exactly how long, so you have to make your own decisions with regard this buying opportunity but regardless - - - you have to be in it for the long-term and do not try to guess what the bottom may be (I have never met anyone who bought at the exact bottom yet). When the commodity markets swing up and you are not in it - - - then you probably miss out on the first 40 or 50% on the upswing. Those of you that are already in it and have seen the value in your portfolios in the Junior metal companies go down, do not Panic with the rest of the herd and start selling near the bottom. You do not have to bite the bullet and sell. Just be calm and stay the course. If have some extra cash then average down.

Consider not only the Senior Gold, Silver and Metal companies to invest in but also the Junior and Exploration companies like those we represent at Mining Interactive Corp. ([see: www.mininginteractive.com](http://www.mininginteractive.com)) because these are the kind of companies that represent best leverage in your commodity and metal portfolio.

The Turnaround day March 22, 2008 is a Saturday. Good Friday is the day before and Easter Sunday and Monday thereafter This then represents another riddle i.e. the markets are closed on Saturday as well as Friday plus Sunday and in some markets, such as in Europe Monday as well. But one thing is sure from our perspective when we start the workweek after Easter - - - "It Will Be a Different Financial World than we have Today". We are not sure at all exactly what will happen on this Easter Weekend" but we are basically saying:

**"HEADS UP PEOPLE, BE CAREFUL OUT THERE!!"**

Some people have said that these "Turnaround Dates" are hogwash (snake oil) and maybe they are but, all FDNN has done is to look at these turnaround dates as a warning that the Ides of March might be upon us and that these individual dates each represent "a specific day of abrupt change" that set off a ripple of repercussions throughout our society and beyond. Well thank you very much Martin Armstrong for giving FDNN advance notice of "abrupt changes" because it has allowed FDNN to focus on the road ahead.

In any event, do protect yourself. Remember this is a Secular Bull Market in the Commodities and in order to protect your wealth

**"You've Got To Be In That Market - - - To Win It!"**

Happy Easter Egg and Commodity Hunting - - - - Stay tuned!!

Regards,

*Nick L. Nicolaas*

PS. From everything that Martin Armstrong wrote this is what I think was the most profound as it relates to the wars being fought today:

"When the wealth of a nation is squandered by its own government, or through external forces, there has been no single greater cause of war throughout history. When economics are devastated, people become angry. When people become angry, they go to war".



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