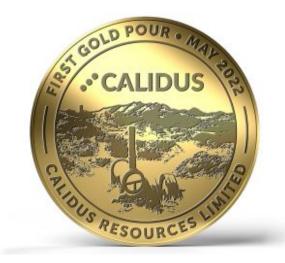
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Calidus Resources commemorative coin

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This row has been rumbling on all year, and reached the government imposed deadline of midnight December 14th without agreement. Talks even continues through until the following morning, but to no avail.

The Panamanian President informed the country with a TV address, so it does seem that he is standing firm, for now at least. The ramifications are the Panamanians lose one of their major tax contributors, and First quantum will lose a major copper mine.

The words "international arbitration" are not being used yet, so I suspect after some belligerence on both sides, they will come together, and a deal will be reached.

Companies we follow that made news last week

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The most significant was that **Ascot Resources** have fully funded the construction of their Premier Mine, located in the Golden Triangle of British Columbia. This removes the uncertainty created when Sprott Finance pulled out, leaving the project in limbo during a falling mining sector and finance harder to raise as a result.

Calidus Resources gave an upbeat update on their problems, but the market wasn't impressed as the stock has fallen since. They are working through their teething problems with mining specialists, but I guess the market wants to see the proof in the numbers, rather than words.

Maple Gold Mines reported some good gold intercepts from shallow depth at their Eagle Mine, located in Quebec.

For the full news releases please click on the links below.

Lithium Power's Maricunga Deal Imminent

Cornish Metals Issues 9 Month MD & A

Newcore Gold Enchi Work Update

Maple Gold Mines Intersected Near Surface Gold

Ascot Resources Announce Mine Financing

Calidus Resources Upbeat Presentation

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Market Data

Week on week price changes

(All US\$ unless stated)

Metal prices

Gold price in UK £	1457	-0.61%
Gold	1793	-0.22%
Silver	23.23	-1.06%

Palladium	1702	-12.99%
Platinum	993	-3.40%
Rhodium	12390	-5.71%
Copper	3.8	-1.81%
Nickel	12.98	-7.94%
Zinc	1.47	0.00%
Tin	10.73	-3.07%
Cobalt	23.24	-0.04%
Manganese	3.33	-0.60%
Lithium	74669	-3.48%
Uranium	48.15	-0.72%
Iron Ore	111.5	+2.01%
Coking Coal	275	-1.43%
Thermal coal	375	-1.06%
Magnesium	3291	-2.34%

Metal ETFs

GDX		28.6	-1.62%
GDXJ		35.23	-1.32%
Sil		28.11	-1.44%
SILJ		10.6	-1.12%
GOEX (PCX)	24.27	-2.57%
GLD		166.79	-0.16%
СОРХ		35.72	-2.27%

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