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(Bloomberg) -- Copper and aluminum extended their retreat as US President Donald Trump continued his fraught push to reach a peace deal with Iran, while a pullback in technology stocks also weighed on sentiment.

Israel and Lebanon agreed to a conditional ceasefire, in what could be a possible step toward a broader resolution of the Middle East war. But that prospect remains uncertain as it will need Hezbollah to stop fighting. Metals have given up some of the big gains they made earlier this week.

“Near-term price direction is likely to remain sensitive to macro risks, with uncertainty in the Middle East acting as a headwind,” analysts from ING Groep NV said in a note.

A reversal in equities — especially for technology stocks — may also add to pressure on metals. Copper has benefited from investor enthusiasm for artificial intelligence trades, because of the metal’s use in power infrastructure. South Korea’s Kospi, an AI bellwether, dropped as much as 2.6% on Thursday, after the S&P 500 snapped a nine-day winning streak.

Copper fell 0.2% to \$13,804 a ton as of 11:44 a.m., after shedding 1.5% on Wednesday amid renewed fighting in the Middle East, including strikes by Iran on Kuwait and Bahrain. Aluminum dipped 0.1% to \$3,700.50 a ton after falling 1.3% from a four-year high.

# Copper Morning Technical (4-hour)



Support	Resistance	Current Price	Bull	Bear
S1	R1	13,804	RSI above 50	Stochastic overbought
S2	R2			
S3	R3			

**Synopsis - Intraday**

Source Bloomberg

- Price is above the EMA support band (Black EMA's)
- The RSI is at 50 (50)
- Stochastic is overbought
- Price is below the daily pivot point USD 13,879
- Technical Outlook Previously: Cautious on downside moves.
- Bullish Elliott wave extension
- We noted yesterday that we had previously been cautious on higher moves due to the overlapping waves. However, the move above USD 13,908 meant that the probability of price trading to a new low had started to decrease. The upside thrust on the 1st and 2nd of this month implied that the move was motive, while the overlapping waves looked to have been part of a lower timeframe wave extension; indicating throwbacks should in theory be countertrend, providing the USD 13,665 support is not breached.
- Price has entered a corrective phase, we are above the EMA support band with the RSI neutral at 50, intraday price and momentum are aligned to the sell side.
- A close on the 4-hour candle above USD 13,879 with the RSI at or above 63 will mean price and momentum are aligned to the buy side. Downside moves that hold at or above USD 13,665 will support a bull argument, below this level will the technical will have a neutral bias.
- Technical Outlook: Cautious on downside moves.
- The throwback yesterday is finding support at a previous resistance area around the 13,750 level, creating an intraday hammer candle. This is a single candlestick pattern that has formed at support; however, it is on low volume and will need to see high volume bullish confirmation candles to confirm an increase in buy side pressure. Intraday Elliott wave analysis continues to suggest that downside move should be considered as countertrend, providing the USD 13,665 support is not breached. We identify USD 13,939 as a key upside resistance, if rejected it will signal price could be entering a more complex corrective phase.

# Aluminium Morning Technical (4-hour)



	Support	Resistance	Current Price	Bull	Bear
S1	3,668	R1	3,718		RSI below 50
S2	3,646	R2	3,751	3,694.5	
S3	3,607.5	R3	3,780		

## Synopsis - Intraday

Source Bloomberg

- Price is between the EMA support band (Black EMA's)
- RSI is below 50 (47)
- Stochastic is below 50
- Price is below the daily pivot point USD 3,718
- Technical outlook Previously: Bullish Elliott wave extension
- We noted yesterday that the close and hold above the Harami pattern had resulted in the futures trading to a new high, signaling a bullish Elliott wave extension. The RSI had also made a new high alongside price, the bullish momentum confirmation supported the Elliott wave extension, warning downside moves had a higher probability of being countertrend. Price was coming under light pressure on the open, we identified USD 3,668 as a key support level, throwbacks that breached this level would reduce the probability of price trading to a new high.
- Price has entered a corrective phase with the futures finding light support where the bearish Harami pattern formed previously. We are between the EMA support band with the RSI below 50, intraday price and momentum are aligned to the sell side.
- A close on the 4-hour candle above USD 3,718 with the RSI at or above 64 would mean price and momentum are aligned to the buyside. Downside moves that hold at or above USD 3,668 will support a bull argument, below this level the technical will have a neutral bias.
- Technical outlook: Positive reversal pattern
- Elliott wave analysis continues to suggest that downside moves should be considered as countertrend while price is finding support on the Haram pattern from the 28/26 of May. Low volume in the Asian day session means that we need to see more from the technical to confirm support is forming. However, we do have a positive reversal pattern in play, meaning we continue to have a cautious approach on lower moves while above USD 3,668.

# Zinc Morning Technical (4-hour)



Support	Resistance	Current Price	Bull	Bear
S1	R1	3,624	RSI above 50	Stochastic overbought
S2	R2			
S3	R3			

## Synopsis - Intraday

Source Bloomberg

- Price is between the EMA support band (Black EMA's)
- RSI is below 50 (47)
- Stochastic is above
- Price is below the daily pivot point USD 3,620
- Technical outlook Previously: Downside moves considered as countertrend
- The broader trend remained bullish with throwbacks considered as countertrend yesterday, while our lower timeframe Elliott wave analysis implies corrections should in theory hold above USD 3,571 in the near-term. A breach in the USD 3,571 support would reduce the probability of price trading to a new high within this phase of the cycle, suggesting we could be entering a higher timeframe corrective phase. We highlight USD 3,619 as an area of interest, as it looks to be an upper channel resistance on the weekly timeframe. We should note that there have breaches in the support and resistance on the channel; however, there has been only one close above the resistance line since June 2025.
- Having traded to a low of USD 3,615 the futures traded to a high of USD 3,658, resulting in a quicker completion of the lower timeframe cycle than expected. Price is between the EMA support band with the RSI below 50, intraday price and momentum are aligned to the sell side.
- A close on the 4-hour candle above USD 3,620 with the RSI at or above 64 will mean price and momentum are aligned to the buyside. Downside moves that hold at or above USD 3,542 will support a bull argument, below this level the technical will have a neutral bias. Note: key Fibonacci support is now lower as it is adjusted to be in line with the higher timeframe cycle.
- Technical outlook. Downside moves considered as countertrend
- Although the lower timeframe cycle has completed, we maintain our view that downside moves should be considered as countertrend, providing throwbacks hold above the USD 3,542 support. A breach of the USD 3,542 level would signal a deep pullback, warning the probability of price trading to a new high will begin to decrease.