## **Morning Comment**

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## Dollar benefits from US court ruling on tariffs

Investor sentiment was holding a cautious tone throughout the European session yesterday, amid a barren data calendar. This was reflected by the Euro Stoxx 50 falling by 0.7%. Meantime in the US, risk appetite soured heading into the close. A hawkish tone to the latest Fed meeting minutes and reports that the US government had told firms to stop selling critical technologies (software for semiconductors, certain chemicals etc.) to China, weighed on sentiment. This saw the S&P 500 decline by 0.6% yesterday.

After the US market close, the US Court of International Trade blocked the White House from implementing some key aspects of its tariff policy. The administration has said it will appeal the decision. Regardless, the ruling resulted in an immediate boost to investor sentiment overnight, with benchmark Asian equity indices moving higher (Nikkei up 1.7%). Furthermore, equity futures across Europe and in the US are also pointing higher this morning.

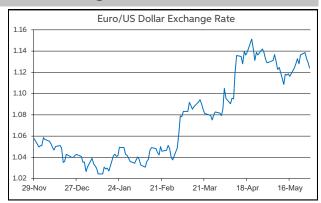
Currency-wise, the majors continued to operate in very narrow ranges throughout yesterday. However, the dollar took the ascendancy once again overnight, supported by the US court ruling and a slight firming in US futures after the release of the Fed meeting minutes. At the same time, currencies such as the euro, yen and Swiss franc - which had initially benefitted the most from US trade policy uncertainty - were on the defensive.

This is evidenced by EUR/USD opening this morning back below the midpoint of \$1.12-1.13, while USD/JPY is up in the top half of the ¥145-146 range. Elsewhere, GBP/USD is changing hands down in the lower half of the \$1.34-1.35 corridor. Meantime, EUR/GBP has declined further, albeit it is still in the upper region of 83-84p.

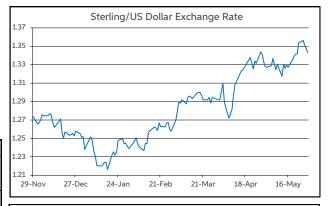
Looking ahead, today's market discourse will likely be dominated by the reaction to the US tariff policy ruling. The macro calendar is quiet. **Daniel Noonan Economist, AIB** 

Today's Opening FX Rates				
		% Change		
		Day *	End 2024	
EUR/USD	1.1242	-0.56	8.59	
EUR/GBP	0.8367	-0.27	1.14	
GBP/USD	1.3431	-0.29	7.35	
GBP/EUR	1.1945	0.27	-1.12	
USD/JPY	145.89	1.03	-7.18	
EUR/JPY	164.05	0.47	0.80	
* v Previous Day's European Open				
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Opening Interest Rates						
	Money Market			Swap Rates		
	Base Rate	1-Mth	3-Mth	1-Yr	2-Yr	5-Yr
USD	4.38	4.32	4.32	4.10	4.09	4.01
EUR	2.40	2.10	2.04	1.97	1.96	2.21
GBP	4.25	4.20	4.19	4.00	4.10	4.12









All rates quoted are indicative market rates

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## **Opening Levels**



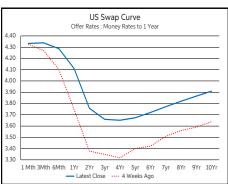
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EUR/GBP	0.8367
EUR/USD	1.1242
EUR/JPY	164.05
EUR/SEK	10.8839
EUR/DKK	7.4588
EUR/NOK	11.4647
EUR/CHF	0.9366
EUR/AUD	1.7502
EUR/HKD	8.8117
EUR/CAD	1.5566

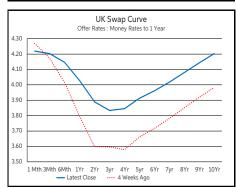
Sterling				
GBP/EUR	1.1945			
GBP/USD	1.3431			
GBP/CAD	1.8597			
GBP/NZD	2.2602			
GBP/JPY	195.94			
GBP/SEK	13.0051			
GBP/DKK	8.9083			
GBP/NOK	13.6989			
GBP/CHF	1.1186			
GBP/AUD	2.0904			

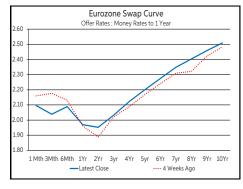
Dollar				
USD/JPY	145.89			
USD/CAD	1.3848			
USD/CHF	0.8329			
USD/CNY	7.1967			
USD/BRL	5.6377			
USD/RUB	80.1			
USD/INR	85.586			
AUD/USD	0.6422			
NZD/USD	0.5938			













Debt Markets				
			Change bps	
	Close	Day	4 Weeks	End 24
10 Year Yield %				
US	4.51	-4	+30	-7
Germany	2.53	-3	+4	+17
UK	4.67	-2	+18	+9
Ireland	2.83	-4	-2	+18
Belgium	3.07	-3	-1	+8
France	3.21	-3	-1	+2
Italy	3.53	-2	-8	+1
Spain	3.14	-4	-2	+8
Portugal	3.03	-4	-2	+18
Greece	3.31	-2	-6	+6
5 Year Swap %				
US	3.95	+2	+30	-34
Eurozone	2.20	-2	+3	-4
UK	4.15	+7	+26	-13
2 Year Swap %				
US	4.02	+1	+36	-32
Eurozone	1.95	+0	+2	-24
UK	4.11	+5	+26	-37
10 Year Governme	nt Bond Spread	s to Benchr	 nark bps	
Ireland	30	-2	-6	+1
Belgium	53	-0	-5	-9
France	68	+0	-5	-15
Italy	100	+1	-13	-16
Spain	61	-1	-7	-9
Portugal	50	-1	-6	+1
Greece	78	+1	-11	-11

Commodities						
		% Change				
	Close Day 4 Weeks End					
Brent Oil	64.09	-1.00	-0.25	-14.13		
West Texas Oil	71.65	-0.17	-1.90	-1.27		
Gold \$	3299.6	-1.29	-0.50	+25.75		

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