

Tokyo stocks open 1.25% higher
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Tokyo stocks opened 1.25% higher today after US stocks soared on investor confidence that the Ukraine crisis will not worsen.

The Nikkei-225 index was up 184.47 points at 14,905.95 at the start, tracking gains on Wall Street yesterday.

The broad-based S&P 500 advanced 1.53% to 1,873.91, hitting its second record close in three days.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average surged 1.41% to finish at 16,395.88.

The dollar was at 102.21 yen (RM3.27281) early today, compared with 102.24 yen in New York yesterday afternoon.

The euro fetched US\$1.3738 (RM4.49696) and 140.41 yen against US\$1.3740 and 140.49 yen.

On Tuesday, Russia pulled back troops from the border with Ukraine and President Vladimir Putin played down the option of sending forces into the ex-Soviet state. – AFP, March 5, 2014.

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