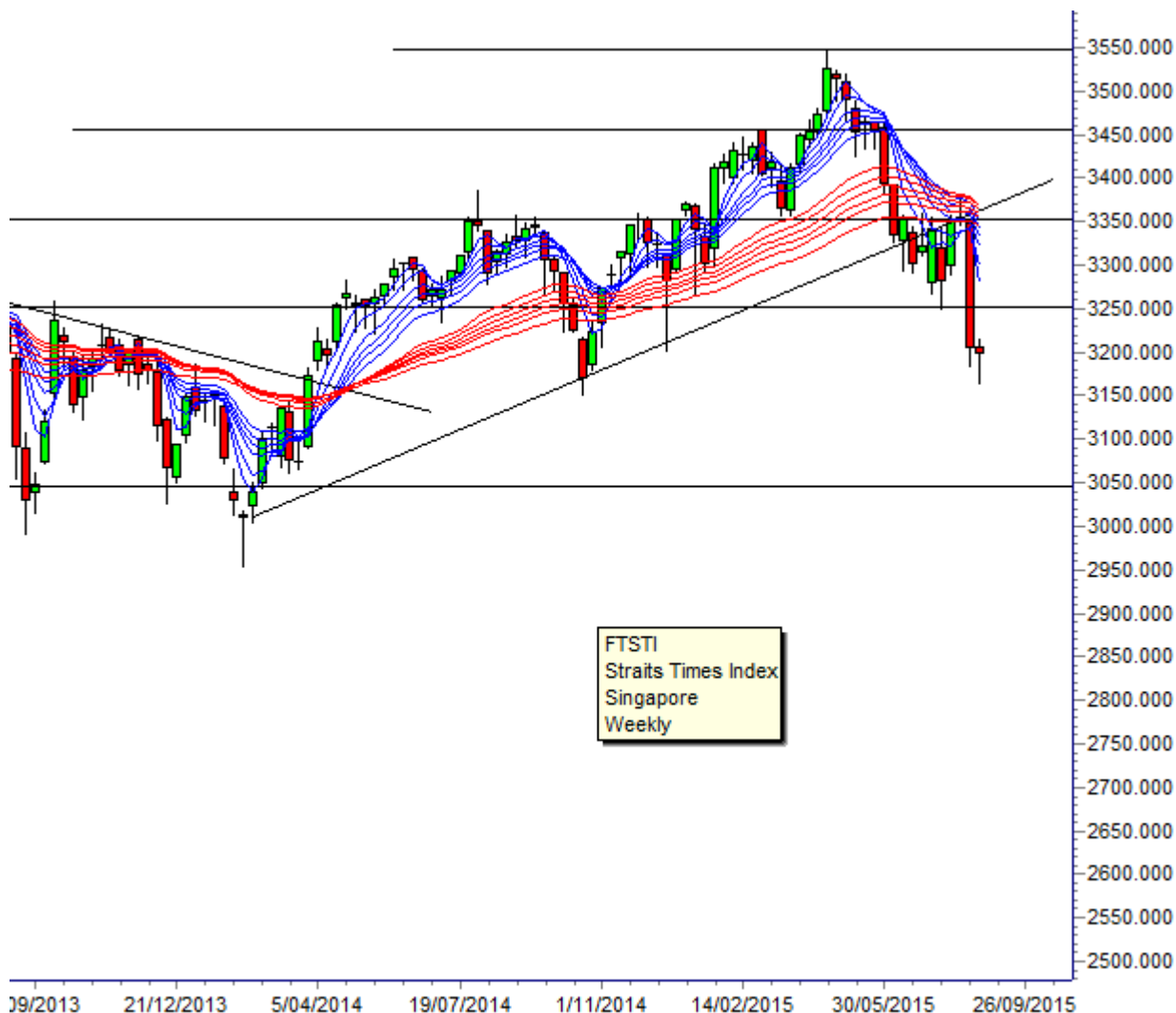


STRAITS TIMES INDEX, SINGAPORE

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The fall below the uptrend line signaled a major change in the trend. The change has been more sudden and more dramatic than expected. The strong historical support level near 3250 was ineffective. The market fell quickly below this level. There is minor support near 3150. Long term historical support is near 3050. Traders wait and watch for the development of consolidation patterns. This may include a W shaped double bottom as seen on the Shanghai Index.



SUBJECT SUMMARY

INDEX NOTES

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