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Question: What are the Possible Impacts of the 2020 US-Iran Conflict on US Financial Markets?

As we saw last week, the entire world was shocked to receive the news that a U.S airstrike ordered by President Donald Trump had killed a top Iranian general, Qasem Soleimani in Baghdad.

However, the US Defense Department has released a statement in reaction to the incident which opined that the attack was done at the order of the U.S President and that it was done to prevent future attacks. The President of the United States stated Soleimani is responsible for the death of several American citizens. Subsequently, this move by President Trump has heightened tensions in the U.S and the Middle East as citizens in these countries expressed fear of World War III.

The assassination of Qasem Soleimani has not only raised tensions on the global security but it has also affected the prices of financial assets and commodities. The US-Iran conflict could result in unsteady movement in the prices of certain financial assets. The US financial markets reacted swiftly to the death of Iranian warlord Qasem Soleimani as the price of oil and gold prices fluctuated.

Also, the price of Gold reached its highest peak for the last six and a half years while the prices of oil, treasury bond spiked. On the other hand, the prices of stocks fell, and interest rates dropped in the wake of the U.S-Iran crisis. This isn't the first time the stock markets fell in a crisis such as this. There was a sharp decline in the prices of stocks when the United States was attacked by terrorists on Tuesday, September 11th, 2001. The drop in the US stocks is a great opportunity for investors to get stocks for cheap rate.

The Iranian government has vowed to avenge the attack, and this will not only affect the US financial markets, but it could hurt the global economy in general. It is likely that Iran would revenge the attack, however, their method of retaliation remains unknown. Iran could close the Strait of Hormuz, more than 20% of the world's marine oil goods pass through this channel. Should this happen, the price of oil and cargo transport would be affected.

There are lots of uncertainties surrounding the next line of action from the Iranian camp. This incident could increase the prices of commodities like oil, gold and may result in drop of American financial assets. Therefore, investors may be prompted to go for low-risk assets, and this will deter investors from investing in the U.S economy.

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