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costs, as it attempts to improve its lending reputation among corporate customers.

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Failed OPEC talks force up oil prices

A DIVIDED OPEC has failed to agree to boost output to cool high oil prices, jolting markets and sparking criticism from the West.

The Vienna meeting broke up on Wednesday without agreement even as traders had speculated the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries would boost production quotas to help calm markets and help revive flagging economic growth.

OPEC kept its official output target at 24.84 million barrels per day, where it has stood since January 2009.

New York's main contract, light sweet crude for delivery in July, closed at \$US100.74 (\$95.29) a barrel, a rise of \$US1.65 from Tuesday.

The US, meanwhile, warned global oil supply was not meeting demand.

Roland Jackson

PNG gun deal closer

WEAPONS developer Metal Storm said yesterday it was one step closer to finalising a \$US336 million arms deal with the Papua New Guinea Government.

The Brisbane-based firm said the PNG National Security Advisory Council had approved the destruction of obsolete weapons, paving the way for it to buy 500 semi-automatic shotguns and 50,000 rounds of non-lethal ammunition.

Metal Storm had secured its first product sale last August when the PNG Department of Correctional Services ordered the lightweight 12-gauge

weapons. But the Government's failure to ratify the sale stalled the deal and delayed a start on production.

Metal Storm had hoped to deliver 50 of the guns and pocket a \$US673,000 deposit by March this year. The delays come as Metal Storm's financial difficulties continue.

The company, which has \$108.6 million in accumulated losses, reported a negative \$2 million in cash flow in the first four months of 2011.

Shares in the firm closed at half a cent yesterday, up a tenth of a cent.

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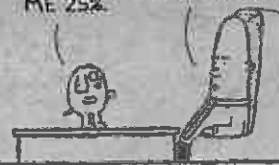
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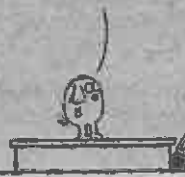


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