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Comarch: Suspension of Coverage

Recommendation: suspended | current price: PLN 322.00

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Comarch (Fawer Szpigler)			
Rating	hold	hold	buy
Rating date	2024-05-06	2023-12-01	2023-10-02
Target price (PLN)	266.50	186.80	174.70
Price on rating day	242.50	176.00	141.00



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