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INDOFOOD 2002 FINANCIAL RESULTS

The attached press release was published today by Indofood.

Indofood is the leading processed-foods group in Indonesia. It is based in Jakarta, and is listed on the Jakarta and Surabaya stock exchanges. The principal businesses of Indofood are Noodles, Flour, and Edible Oils & Fats, and it also has interests in Distribution, Food Seasonings, Baby Foods and Snack Foods. Further information on Indofood can be found at www.indofood.co.id.

As at 31 December 2002, First Pacific's economic interest in Indofood was 51.9 per cent.

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Press Release

INDOFOOD 2002 FINANCIAL RESULTS

- NET SALES INCREASED 12% TO RP.16.5 TRILLION;
- GROSS PROFIT UP 5% TO RP.4.1 TRILLION;
- NET INCOME GREW 8% TO RP. 802.6 BILLION :

Eva Riyanti Hutapea, CEO and President Director of Indofood announced today the Company's consolidated operating results for the year ended December 31, 2002, which recorded net sales of Rp.16.5 trillion (FY01: Rp.14.6 trillion) an increase of 12% over 2001, whereas net income grew 8% to Rp802.6 billion (FY 01: Rp.746.3 billion).

Following are Hutapea's comments on the 2002 financial results:

- 1. Sales revenues of Noodles, Flour and Edible Oil & Fats (branded & commodity) contributed 86% of the consolidated net sales, or respectively, 35%, 29% and 22%. These divisions recorded improvements in sales revenues with Noodles sales of Rp.5.7 trillion (FY01: Rp. 5.2 trillion), a 10% year-on-year improvement, Flour sales of Rp.4.8 trillion (FY01: Rp.4.4 trillion), and Edible Oil & Fats (branded & commodity) of Rp.3.6 trillion (FY01: Rp.2.7 trillion).
- 2. Sales volumes of noodles grew by 8.4% to 9.8 billion packs (FY01 : 9.0 billion packs) and flour volumes were up 8.9% to 2.3 million tons (FY01 : 2.2 million tons);
- 3. Gross profit slightly increased by 5% to Rp.4.1 trillion (FY01: Rp.3.9 trillion). However due to increases in the cost of raw materials, particularly CPO (Crude Palm Oil) & wheat and increases in utilities & wages, gross margin decreased slightly to 24.7% (FY01: 26.4%). This pressure on gross margin, plus the increased fuel, salary costs and selling expenses (which includes advertising and promotion expenses) reduced EBIT margin to 11.4% (FY01: 13.9%). Increased advertising & promotion expenses were due to the brand building programs and the innovative campaign for promoting high-end premium products:
- 4. The growth in net income was due mainly to the strengthening of the Rupiah relative to the US Dollar. The Rupiah appreciated from Rp.10,400 as of Dec.31, 2001 to Rp.8,940 as of Dec.31, 2002, whereas the average exchange rate during the year was Rp.9,264 from an average of Rp.10,266 in 2001, resulting to net foreign exchange gains of Rp.216.2 billion. In 2001, we recorded net foreign exchange losses of Rp.369.6 billion;
- 5. As at December 31, 2002, the Company's US.Dollar denominated outstanding debts amounted to approximately US.Dollar 458 million (Dec. 31, 2001: US. Dollars 346 million), of which US.Dollar 310 million will mature in 2007. To provide hedging for these loans, Indofood had Principal Only Swap contracts of US.Dollar 310 million as at December 31, 2002 in addition to export revenues totaling

- US.Dollar 259 million (FY01: US.Dollar 174 million) during the year. Rupiah outstanding debts as of Dec.31, 2002 amounted to approximately Rp.3.5 trillion (Dec.31, 2001: Rp.2.2 trillion);
- 6. At the end of December 2002, total assets were Rp.15.3 trillion (Dec.31'01: Rp.13.0 trillion), including cash & cash equivalents of Rp.1.4 trillion (Dec.31, 2001 : Rp.834.4 billion), while shareholders' equity amounted to Rp.3.7 trillion (Dec.31'01 : Rp.3.6 trillion) :
- 7. The Debt-Equity ratio as of December 31, 2002 was 2.1 times (2001 : 1.6 times), while its Net Gearing ratio stood at 1.6 times (2001 : 1.3 times). Excluding the treasury stocks relating to the share buy- back program, the Debt Equity and Net Gearing ratios as of December 31, 2002 stood at 1.7 and 1.4, respectively.

Hutapea also reported that in November 2002 Indofood successfully completed its program to buy back 10% of the paid-up capital at a total cost of Rp.741.1 billion, which was recorded as a reduction to Company's Equity in accordance with the prevailing Generally Accepted Accounting Principles.

Hutapea stated that Indofood remains strongly committed to constant innovation both in its products and in the Company's overall marketing strategy. She added :"The broadening of our market orientation will not be limited to the concept of producing quality food in its staple function, but also producing other foods related to lifestyle, occasion, spirit and mind. Going forward, major activities of Indofood will focus, among others: to increase assets productivity and efficiency, to continue the brand management and to leverage sales and distribution network. I believe these initiatives will bring Indofood to the next levels of performance".

The Board of Directors will propose dividend payments of 30% of its 2002 earnings at the coming Annual General Meeting (AGM) later this year.

Jakarta, March 24, 2003

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

(Amounts in Thousands Rupiah, except per Share Data)

	ASSETS	
	2002	2001
	Rp	Rp
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,368,445,833	834,385,979
Short-term investments	383,036,737	119,324,551
Time deposits	184,222,500	380,616,600
Accounts receivable		
Trade		
Third parties - net	1,234,136,394	849,408,930
Related parties	89,652,554	79,985,354
Non - trade		
Related parties	93,411,196	108,294,987
Others - net	163,269,702	92,213,438
Inventories - net	2,743,304,033	2,137,103,435
Advances and deposits	569,628,039	466,217,009
Prepaid taxes	244,335,050	157,206,260
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		22,239,958
Total Current Assets	7,147,003,162	5,246,996,501
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Currency swap assets - net	1,212,515,891	1,527,741,717
Long - term receivables		
Third parties	345,594,200	-
Related parties	39,678,000	296197305
Deferred tax assets - net	27,998,467	25,670,710
Investments in shares of stock	23,689,241	24,543,033
Plantations		
Matured plantations - net	141,250,957	150,484,047
Immature plantations	29,442,827	17,227,445
Property, plant and equipment - net	5,661,423,827	5,427,878,252
Deferred charges - net	211,681,386	93,524,621
Other non-current assets	411,237,995	168,837,953
Total Non-Current Assets	8,104,512,791	7,732,105,083
TOTAL ASSETS	15,251,515,953	12,979,101,584

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Continued) DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

(Amounts in Thousands Rupiah, except per Share Data)

LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY

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	Rp	Rp
CURRENT LIABILITIES	ıτρ	Nβ
Short-term bank loans and overdraft	624,232,632	623,474,149
Trust receipts payable	662,045,872	254,249,673
Accounts payable	, ,	, ,
Trade		
Third parties	1,128,490,519	1,338,203,600
Related parties	33,273,613	53,993,140
Non - trade		
Related parties	882,007	1,424,812
Others	127,394,177	264,283,577
Accrued expenses	341,652,581	415,646,835
Taxes payable	221,102,826	194,237,343
Current maturities of long-term debts		
Loans	1,176,326,651	2,894,667,729
Obligations under capital leases	25,901,366	15,165,033
Total Current Liabilities	4,341,302,244	6,055,345,891
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Long-term debts - net of current maturities		
Loans	1,980,791,194	1,242,767,330
Bonds and guaranteed notes payable - net	3,681,507,609	981,100,000
Obligations under capital leases	55,479,695	41,404,584
Sub total	5,717,778,498	2,265,271,914
Deferred tax liabilities - net	547,628,450	277,391,305
Other non-current liability - net	106,430,813	60,695,718
Total Non-Current Liabilities	6,371,837,761	2,603,358,937
MINORITY INTERESTS IN NET ASSETS OF SUBSIDIARIES	875,678,446	758,816,200

CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Continued) DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

(Amounts in Thousands Rupiah, except per Share Data)

	2002	2001
	Rp	Rp
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Capital stock - Rp 100 par value		
Authorized - 30,000,000,000 shares		
Issued and fully paid - 9,384,900,000 shares in 2002		
and 9,156,000,000 shares in 2001	938,490,000	915,600,000
Additional paid-in capital	1,139,061,368	963,760,000
Treasury stock - 915,600,000 shares in 2002		
and 125,368,500 shares in 2001	(741,069,341)	(77,612,911)
Differences arising from restructuring transactions among		
entities under common control	(917,740,765)	(917,740,765)
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments in marketable		
securities - net	(7,781,337)	5,150,092
Differences arising from foreign currency translation	(381,440)	-
Retained earnings		
Appropriated	30,000,000	25,000,000
Unappropriated	3,222,119,017	2,647,424,140
Total Shareholders' Equity	3,662,697,502	3,561,580,556
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	15,251,515,953	12,979,101,584

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME

FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2002 AND 2001

(Amounts in Thousands Rupiah, except Earnings per Share)

	2002	2001
	Rp	Rp
NET SALES	16,466,285,005	14,644,598,015
COST OF GOODS SOLD	12,398,733,770	10,776,075,123
GROSS PROFIT	4,067,551,235	3,868,522,892
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Selling	1,298,122,878	1,158,024,174
General and administrative	889,292,672	676,039,055
Total Operating Expenses	2,187,415,550	1,834,063,229
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	1,880,135,685	2,034,459,663
OTHER INCOME (CHARGES)		
Interest income	181,905,685	170,351,972
Interest and other financing charges Gains (losses) on foreign exchange - net of losses (gains)	(816,690,820)	(637,160,003)
on changes in fair values of currency swap assets	216,168,863	(369,563,886)
Others - net	(43,435,500)	78,252,108
Other Charges - Net	(462,051,772)	(758,119,809)
INCOME BEFORE TAX EXPENSE	1,418,083,913	1,276,339,854
TAX EXPENSE		
Current	(228,434,456)	(214,855,648)
Deferred	(267,909,014)	(146,274,255)
Total	(496,343,470)	(361,129,903)
INCOME BEFORE MINORITY INTERESTS IN NET EARNINGS OF SUBSIDIARIES	921,740,443	915,209,951
MINORITY INTERESTS IN NET EARNINGS		
OF SUBSIDIARIES - Net	(119,107,616)	(126,181,255)
INCOME BEFORE TRANSITION ADJUSTMENT ON ADOPTION OF NEW ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE	802,632,827	789,028,696
TRANSITION ADJUSTMENT ON ADOPTION OF NEW ACCOUNTING PRINCIPLE - Net of Tax Effect		(42,698,973)
NET INCOME	802,632,827	746,329,723
EARNINGS PER SHARE		
Income from Operations	212	223
Net income	90	82

Jakarta, March 24, 2003 The Board of Directors PT INDOFOOD SUKSES MAKMUR Tbk

- Notes: 1. The above financial information for the year ended December 31, 2002 is derived from the consolidated financial statements that have been audited by Prasetio, Sarwoko & Sandjaja, Registered Public Accountants, who have issued an unqualified opinion in its report dated March 7, 2003, while the financial information for the year ended December 31, 2001 is derived from the consolidated financial statements that have been audited by Prasetio, Utomo & Co., who have issued an unqualified opinion in its report dated February 11, 2002.
 - 2. Earnings per share is computed based on the weighted average number of outstanding shares during the year.
 - 3. The foreign exchange rates used as at December 31, 2002 and 2001 were Rp 8,940 and Rp 10,400 to US\$1, respectively.