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INDOFOOD'S 2003 FINANCIAL RESULTS

The attached press release was published today by Indofood, in which the First Pacific Group holds an economic interest of 51.6 per cent.

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

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Press Release

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- GROSS PROFIT UP 10% TO RP.4.5 TRILLION ;
- EBIT GREW 7% TO RP.2.0 TRILLION

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Indofood announced today its consolidated operating results for the year ended Dec.31, 2003, with net sales of Rp.17.9 trillion (FY02 : Rp.16.5 trillion) an increase of 9% over 2002. Gross profit and operating income (EBIT) grew respectively, 10% and 7% to Rp4.5 trillion (FY 02 : Rp.4.1 trillion) and Rp.2.0 trillion (FY02 : Rp.1.9 trillion).

Mrs. Eva Riyanti Hutapea, President Director of Indofood highlighted the 2003 financial results, as follows :

- Sales revenues of Noodles, Flour and Edible Oil & Fats (branded & commodity) contributed 85% of the consolidated net sales, or respectively, 33%, 28% and 24%. Noodles division recorded growth of 4% in sales revenues to Rp.6.0 trillion (FY02 : Rp.5.8 trillion), Flour sales improved slightly to Rp.6.1 trillion (FY02 : Rp. 5.9 trillion), while Edible Oil & Fats (branded & commodity) recorded sales of Rp. 5.4 trillion (FY02 : Rp.5.7 trillion);
- Despite tougher competition in the domestic noodles industry, total sales volume of noodles was maintained at 9.8 billion packs (FY02 : 9.8 billion packs). Flour sales volume declined 5% to 2.2 million tons (FY02 : 2.3 million tons) in the face of lower industry growth during 2003;
- 3. Gross profit up 10% to Rp.4.5 trillion (FY02 : Rp.4.1 trillion) mainly due to selling price increases, which supported the increase of EBIT by 7% to Rp.2.0 trillion (FY02: Rp.1.9 trillion). While gross margin slightly grew to 25.0% (FY02 : 24.7%), increases in fuel, salary costs and selling expenses (particularly advertising and promotion expenses) caused the EBIT margin to decline slightly to 11.2% (FY02 : 11.4%). Increased advertising & promotion expenses were mainly due to the brand building programs and other promotions to counter the increasing competition;
- 4. Net income declined 25% to Rp.603 billion (FY02 : Rp.803 billion) due mainly to 22% increases in interest expenses and other financing charges to Rp.996 billion (FY02 : Rp.817 billion) and net loss on foreign exchange of Rp.102 billion recorded during 2003 (compared to net foreign exchange gains of Rp.216 billion in 2002), because of the rupiah appreciation of 5.6% from Rp.8,940 per US. Dollar as of Dec.31, 2002 to Rp.8,465 as of Dec.31, 2003. The average exchange rate during the year was Rp.8,574 from an average of Rp.9,264 in 2002. The increase in interest expenses during the period was attributable to the replacement of maturing US.Dollar debts (obtained before the monetary crisis in 1997 which carried lower interest rates) with the US.Dollar 280 million Eurobond, bearing a 10.375% coupon rate and additional working capital loans obtained in late September 2002, which had a full year effect in 2003;

- 5. Export revenues during the year increased 40% to US.Dollar 364 million (FY02 : US.Dollar 259 million);
- As at Dec.31, 2003, the Company's US.Dollar denominated debts reduced to approximately US.Dollar 400 million (Dec.31' 02: US.Dollar : 458 million), of which 77% will mature in 2007. To provide hedging for these loans, as of Dec.31, 2003, Indofood had Principal Only Swap (POS) contracts of US.Dollar 310 million. The outstanding Rupiah debts as of Dec.31, 2003 amounted to approximately Rp.4.1 trillion (Dec.31'02 : Rp.4.1 trillion);
- At the end of Dec.2003, total assets were Rp.15.31 trillion (Dec.31'02 : Rp.15.25 trillion), including cash & cash equivalents of Rp.1.5 trillion (Dec.31' 02 : Rp.1.4 trillion), while shareholders' equity amounted to Rp.4.1 trillion (Dec.31'02 : Rp.3.7 trillion) :
- 8. The Debt Equity ratio as of Dec.31, 2003 improved to 1.8 times (Dec.31'02 : 2.2 times), while Net Gearing ratio improved to 1.5 times (Dec.31 '02 : 1.8 times).

The Board of Directors will propose dividend payments which will at least be equal to last year.

As announced on Dec.16, 2003, Mrs. Eva Riyanti Hutapea has decided to step down as President Director of Indofood with effect from the next Annual General Meeting (AGM) of Indofood. In order to ensure a smooth transition, the Board of Commissioners (BOC) have agreed that during this transitional period, Mr. Anthoni Salim, who is currently Commissioner of Indofood will be delegated by the BOC to provide the Board of Directors (BOD) with all assistance it may require. In connection with this, an Executive Committee (Excom) has been formed, with Mr. Salim as the Chairman.

In his capacity as Excom Chairman, Mr. Salim reiterated that Indofood is strongly committed to remain focused in its efforts to increase assets productivity and efficiency, to improve its leverage position, to enhance its brand equities through constant product innovation, improvement in its overall marketing strategy and effective use of its extensive sales and distribution network. Indofood will also continue and enhance its costs cutting programs. He added : "I am confident that with these initiatives, Indofood will reach a higher level of performance and strengthen its leading position in the processed food industry in the short and medium-term."

Jakarta, March 1, 2004

PT INDOFOOD SUKSES MAKMUR TBK THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

(Amounts in Thousands Rupiah, except Share Data)

	2003	2002
	Rp	Rp
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash and cash equivalents	1,529,698,139	1,368,445,833
Short-term investments	537,310,044	383,036,737
Time deposits	-	184,222,500
Accounts receivable		
Trade		
Third parties - net	1,552,503,439	1,234,136,394
Related parties	88,762,830	89,652,554
Non-trade		
Related parties	85,068,581	93,411,196
Others - net	279,853,132	163,269,702
Inventories - net	2,218,209,967	2,743,304,033
Advances and deposits	398,392,197	569,628,039
Prepaid taxes	322,478,839	244,335,050
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	94,213,430	73,561,124
Total Current Assets	7,106,490,598	7,147,003,162
NON-CURRENT ASSETS		
Currency swap assets - net	1,141,518,102	1,212,515,891
Long-term receivables		
Third parties	361,504,244	345,594,200
Related parties	63,932,000	39,678,000
Deferred tax assets - net	57,904,440	27,998,467
Investments in shares of stock	20,232,941	23,689,241
Plantations		
Matured plantations - net	128,821,029	141,250,957
Immature plantations	43,457,052	29,442,827
Property, plant and equipment - net	5,825,950,827	5,661,423,827
Other non-current assets	559,043,227	622,919,381
Total Non-Current Assets	8,202,363,862	8,104,512,791
TOTAL ASSETS	15,308,854,460	15,251,515,953

PT INDOFOOD SUKSES MAKMUR Tbk AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS (Con't) DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002

(Amounts in Thousands Rupiah, except Share Data)

LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
	2003	2002		
	Rp	Rp		
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Short-term bank loans and overdraft	513,311,121	624,232,632		
Trust receipts payable	274,362,887	662,045,872		
Accounts payable				
Trade				
Third parties	1,574,696,223	1,128,490,519		
Related parties	25,598,631	33,273,613		
Non-trade		000 007		
Related parties	4,165,411	882,007		
Others	119,255,588 341,213,814	127,394,177 341,652,581		
Accrued expenses Taxes payable	260,598,684	221,102,826		
Current maturities of long-term debts	200,390,004	221,102,020		
Loans	529,039,830	1,176,326,651		
Obligations under capital leases	21,950,551	25,901,366		
Total Current Liabilities	3,664,192,740	4,341,302,244		
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NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Long-term debts - net of current maturities				
Loans	1,090,727,250	1,980,791,194		
Bonds and guaranteed notes payable - net	5,030,239,696	3,681,507,609		
Obligations under capital leases	32,554,241	55,479,695		
Sub-total Deferred tax liabilities - net	6,153,521,187 605,553,891	5,717,778,498 547,628,450		
Other non-current liability - net	129,062,523	106,430,813		
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Total Non-Current Liabilities	6,888,137,601	6,371,837,761		
MINORITY INTERESTS IN NET ASSETS OF SUBSIDIARIES	662,643,219	875,678,446		
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Capital stock - Rp 100 par value				
Authorized - 30,000,000,000 shares				
Issued and fully paid - 9,443,269,500 shares in 2003				
and 9,384,900,000 shares in 2002	944,326,950	938,490,000		
Additional paid-in capital	1,181,379,256	1,139,061,368		
Treasury stock - 915,600,000 shares	(741,069,341)	(741,069,341)		
Differences arising from restructuring transactions among entities under common control	(917,740,765)	(917,740,765)		
	(317,740,703)	(917,740,705)		
Unrealized gains (losses) on investments in marketable	44 059 667	(7 704 997)		
securities - net Differences arising from foreign currency translation	11,058,667 (899,441)	(7,781,337)		
Retained earnings	(033,441)	(381,440)		
Appropriated	35,000,000	30,000,000		
Unappropriated	3,581,825,574	3,222,119,017		
Net Shareholders' Equity	4,093,880,900	3,662,697,502		
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY	15,308,854,460	15,251,515,953		

PT INDOFOOD SUKSES MAKMUR Tbk AND SUBSIDIARIES

CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME FOR THE YEARS ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2003 AND 2002 (Amounts in Thousands Rupiah, except Earnings per Share)

	2003	2002
	Rp	Rp
NET SALES	17,871,425,474	16,466,285,005
COST OF GOODS SOLD	13,405,368,541	12,398,733,770
GROSS PROFIT	4,466,056,933	4,067,551,235
OPERATING EXPENSES		
Selling	1,473,914,495	1,298,122,878
General and administrative	983,347,496	889,292,672
Total Operating Expenses	2,457,261,991	2,187,415,550
INCOME FROM OPERATIONS	2,008,794,942	1,880,135,685
OTHER INCOME (CHARGES)		
Interest income	179,637,334	181,905,685
Interest and other financing charges	(995,622,366)	(816,690,820)
Gains (losses) on foreign exchange - net of losses		
on changes in fair values of currency swap assets	(102,040,067)	216,168,863
Others - net	(59,634,671)	(43,435,500)
Other Charges - Net	(977,659,770)	(462,051,772)
INCOME BEFORE TAX EXPENSE	1,031,135,172	1,418,083,913
TAX EXPENSE		
Current	(282,183,994)	(228,434,456)
Deferred	(28,019,468)	(267,909,014)
Total	(310,203,462)	(496,343,470)
INCOME BEFORE MINORITY INTERESTS		
IN NET EARNINGS OF SUBSIDIARIES	720,931,710	921,740,443
MINORITY INTERESTS IN NET EARNINGS		
OF SUBSIDIARIES - Net	(117,450,407)	(119,107,616)
	603,481,303	802,632,827
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EARNINGS PER SHARE		
Income from Operations	236	212
Net Income	71	90
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Notes:

- 1. The above financial information for the years ended December 31, 2003 and 2002 are derived from the consolidated financial statements that have been audited by Prasetio, Sarwoko & Sandjaja, Registered Public Accountants, who have rendered an unqualified opinion in its report dated February 20, 2004.
- 2. Earnings per share is computed based on the weighted average number of outstanding shares during the years.
- 3. The foreign exchange rates used as at December 31, 2003 and 2002 were Rp 8,465 and Rp 8,940 to US\$ 1, respectively.

Jakarta, March 1, 2004

The Board of Directors **PT INDOFOOD SUKSES MAKMUR Tbk**