

Company financial statements

Compagnie Financière Richemont SA

Income statement

for the year ended 31 March

	Notes	2009 CHF m	2008 CHF m
Income			
Dividend income		589.2	373.1
Interest income		26.6	31.7
Other income		3.0	3.9
		618.8	408.7
Expenses			
General expenses	2,3	35.9	14.3
Profit before taxation		582.9	394.4
Taxation		2.2	3.0
Net profit		580.7	391.4

Balance sheet

at 31 March

	Notes	2009 CHF m	2008 CHF m
Long-term assets			
Investments	4	1 077.2	702.2
Property, plant and equipment		0.1	0.1
		1 077.3	702.3
Current assets			
Current accounts receivable from Group companies		1 729.3	1 570.5
Other receivables		0.1	0.2
Cash and cash equivalents		0.6	1.1
		1 730.0	1 571.8
		2 807.3	2 274.1
Shareholders' equity			
Share capital	6	574.2	574.2
Legal reserve	7	117.6	117.6
Reserve for own shares	8	262.4	104.1
Retained earnings	9	1 835.8	1 466.9
		2 790.0	2 262.8
Current liabilities			
Accrued expenses		9.8	4.6
Taxation		5.0	3.3
Current accounts payable to Group companies		0.1	1.1
		14.9	9.0
Long-term liabilities	5	2.4	2.3
		2 807.3	2 274.1

Notes to the Company financial statements

at 31 March 2009

Note 1 – General

Basis of preparation of the financial statements

The financial statements represent the financial position of Compagnie Financière Richemont SA ('the Company') at 31 March 2009 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, prepared in accordance with Swiss law.

Risk Management Disclosure

Compagnie Financière Richemont SA is fully integrated in the Group risk management process which gives consideration to both strategic and operational risks. All identified risks are quantified according to their probability of occurrence and potential impact, and subsequently prioritised by Group Management. A consolidated risk report, which includes action plans prepared by the Group executive directly responsible for addressing the risk, is reviewed annually by the Audit Committee and the Board of Directors.

Note 2 – General expenses

General expenses include personnel costs of CHF 3.6 million (2008: CHF 3.5 million).

Note 3 – Board and executive compensation disclosures

Details of compensation required by the Swiss Code of Obligations, art. 663 and following, can be found in note 33 to the consolidated financial statements.

Note 4 – Investments

These comprise investments in subsidiary companies, which are stated at cost.

Company	Domicile	Purpose	2009 ownership	2008 ownership	2009 CHF m	2008 CHF m
Richemont SA	Luxembourg	Investment holding company	–	100%	–	700.0
Columbus VC Sàrl	Switzerland	Investment holding company	100%	100%	2.0	2.0
Richemont Securities AG	Switzerland	Depository/issuer of Richemont South African Depository Receipts	50%	100%	0.1	0.1
Richemont Holdings AG	Switzerland	Investment holding company	100%	100%	0.1	0.1
Richemont International SA	Switzerland	Operating company	100%	–	385.0	–
Richemont International Holding SA	Luxembourg	Investment holding company	100%	–	459.0	–
Richemont Finance SA	Luxembourg	Investment holding company	100%	–	189.0	–
Richemont Luxury Group Ltd	Jersey	Investment holding company	100%	–	42.0	–
					1 077.2	702.2

During the year Richemont restructured its businesses and created a new, separately-listed vehicle to hold its former non-luxury goods interests. The Company's former wholly-owned subsidiary, Richemont SA, Luxembourg transferred its luxury goods assets to the Company by way of a reduction in capital and changed its name and legal status to Reinet Investments S.C.A. ('Reinet'). Reinet is now listed independently from the Company on the Luxembourg Stock Exchange. For full details regarding the restructuring, please refer to note 27 in the consolidated financial statements.

During the year the Company transferred 50 per cent of its interest in Richemont Securities AG to Reinet; Richemont Securities AG operates South African Depository Receipt programmes for both Richemont and Reinet.

Note 5 – Long-term liabilities

Long-term liabilities include retirement benefit obligations in the amount of CHF 2.2 million.

Note 6 – Share capital

	2009 CHF m	2008 CHF m
522 000 000 'A' bearer shares with a par value of CHF 1.00 each, fully paid	522.0	522.0
522 000 000 'B' registered shares with a par value of CHF 0.10 each, fully paid	52.2	52.2
	574.2	574.2

Note 7 – Legal reserve

The legal reserve of CHF 117.6 million (2008: CHF 117.6 million) is not available for distribution.

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Note 8 – Reserve for own shares

The reserve is created in respect of Richemont 'A' shares purchased by Richemont Employee Benefits Limited ('REBL'), a subsidiary company.

Prior to the restructuring mentioned in note 4, a Richemont 'A' unit was composed of one 'A' bearer share issued by the Company and one participation certificate issued by Richemont SA, Luxembourg. At the time of formation of Richemont, 25 per cent of the value of an 'A' unit was attributed to the 'A' bearer share issued by the Company and 75 per cent to the participation certificate issued by Richemont SA. The remaining 75 per cent of the cost of shares sold was transferred from a reserve for own participation certificates in the balance sheet of Richemont SA. Accordingly, the reserve for Richemont 'A' units repurchased was accounted for as to 25 per cent in the balance sheet of the Company and 75 per cent in that of Richemont SA.

As a result of the restructuring, the Richemont 'A' units were separated into the shares of the Company and shares of Reinet. Reinet subsequently distributed a part of its holding of shares in BAT to its shareholders. The Richemont 'A' units having been de-twinned, the reserve for own shares in the Company's balance sheet now represents the cost value of the Company's shares only.

As a consequence of the restructuring, REBL acquired shares of BAT and Reinet which it holds as assets to hedge its obligations to option-holders.

During the year, REBL acquired 1 706 974 'A' units through the exercise of call options (2008: 3 000 000 'A' units) and a further 3 649 884 'A' shares were purchased in the open market (2008: none).

During the year, 705 657 'A' units and 265 521 'A' shares (2008: 2 682 893 'A' units) were sold to executives under the Richemont share option plan by REBL.

At 31 March 2009, following these transactions, REBL held 17 529 155 Richemont 'A' shares (2008: 13 143 475 Richemont 'A' units) with a cost of CHF 262.4 million (2008: CHF 416.5 million). The reserve for own shares of CHF 262.4 million (2008: CHF 104.1 million) represents 100 per cent of this amount. In 2008 this represented 25 per cent of this cost, the remaining 75 per cent being recorded in the balance sheet of Richemont SA. In terms of the reserve for own shares established in respect of purchased units and shares, a net amount of CHF 158.2 million has been transferred into the reserve (2008: CHF 6.1 million) during the year.

During the year, REBL purchased call options to acquire 1 000 000 'A' shares and entered into a forward contract to acquire up to an additional 3 000 000 'A' shares (2008: Call options to acquire 3 523 077 'A' units were purchased) in order to hedge obligations under the Richemont share option plan. Following the restructuring of 20 October 2008, outstanding call options to acquire 7 240 677 'A' units were converted into call options to acquire 12 612 223 'A' shares.

Note 9 – Retained earnings

	2009 CHF m	2008 CHF m
Balance at 1 April of prior year retained earnings	1 466.9	1 131.4
Dividend paid	(53.6)	(49.8)
Net transfer to reserve for own shares	(158.2)	(6.1)
Balance at 1 April, after appropriations	1 255.1	1 075.5
Net profit	580.7	391.4
Balance at 31 March	1 835.8	1 466.9

Note 10 – Commitments and contingencies

At 31 March 2009 the Company had issued guarantees in favour of Group companies for credit facilities up to a maximum of € 455.0 million.

At 31 March 2008 the Company had given no guarantees.

The directors believe that there are no contingent liabilities.

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Note 11 – Significant shareholders

Pursuant to the requirements of the Swiss Federal Act on Stock Exchanges and Securities Trading and the associated ordinances, the Company received formal notification in December 2000 from Compagnie Financière Rupert that it held 522 000 000 'B' registered shares, representing 50.0 per cent of the voting rights in the Company. In addition, Compagnie Financière Rupert has indicated that parties related to it held or controlled 162 664 'A' bearer shares (either directly or through the medium of South African Depository Receipts), representing 0.02 per cent of the voting rights in the Company as at 31 March 2009.

Also pursuant to the requirements of the Swiss Federal Act on Stock Exchanges and Securities Trading and the associated ordinances, the Company has received two formal notifications of significant shareholdings. In 2008, Public Investment Corporation Limited, Pretoria, which invests funds on behalf of South African public sector entities, notified the Company that accounts under its management held Richemont South African Depository Receipts equivalent to 32 633 436 'A' shares, representing 3.13 per cent of the voting rights in the Company. In 2009, REBL notified the Company that it had acquired 'A' shares and the right to acquire further 'A' shares equivalent to 34 144 378 'A' shares or 3.27 per cent of the voting rights in the Company. REBL acquires 'A' shares to hedge obligations arising from the Group's long-term stock option plan.

Richemont Securities AG, a subsidiary of the Company, acts as depository in respect of Richemont South African Depository Receipts ('DRs'), which are traded on the JSE Limited (the Johannesburg Stock Exchange). DRs trade in the ratio of ten DRs to each Richemont 'A' share. In its capacity as Depository and on behalf of the holders of DRs, Richemont Securities AG holds one 'A' share in safe custody for every ten DRs in issue. Richemont Securities AG's interest in Richemont 'A' shares is therefore non-beneficial in nature.

All dividends attributable to the 'A' shares held in safe custody are remitted by Richemont Securities AG individually to holders of DRs and Richemont Securities AG acts as the approved representative of DR holders in voting at shareholders' meetings of the Company. DR holders may provide Richemont Securities AG with voting instructions as to their holdings of DRs and Richemont Securities AG may only vote on behalf of those DR holders from whom it has received such instructions.

At 31 March 2009, Richemont Securities AG held 202 787 387 Richemont 'A' shares (2008: 170 753 803 shares), representing some 39 per cent (2008: 33 per cent) of the 'A' shares, in safe custody in respect of DRs in issue.

Proposal of the Board of Directors for the appropriation of retained earnings at 31 March 2009

	CHF m
Available retained earnings	
Balance at 1 April 2008	1 466.9
Dividend paid	(53.6)
Net transfer to reserve for own shares	(158.2)
Net profit	580.7
	1 835.8

Proposed appropriation

The proposed dividend payable to Richemont shareholders will be CHF 0.30 per Richemont share. This is equivalent to CHF 0.30 per 'A' bearer share in the Company and CHF 0.03 per 'B' registered share in the Company. It will be payable to Richemont shareholders on 14 September 2009 in respect of coupon number 12, free of charges but subject to Swiss withholding tax at 35 per cent, at the banks designated as paying agents.

The available retained earnings remaining after deduction of the dividend amount will be carried forward to the following business year.

The Board of Directors

Geneva, 13 May 2009

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Report of the statutory auditors

Report of the statutory auditors to the general meeting of Compagnie Financière Richemont SA, Geneva

Report of the statutory auditors on the financial statements

As statutory auditors, we have audited the financial statements of Compagnie Financière Richemont SA, which comprise the balance sheet, income statement and notes (pages 108 to 111), for the year ended 31 March 2009.

Board of Directors' responsibility

The Board of Directors is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements in accordance with the requirements of Swiss law and the Company's articles of incorporation. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining an internal control system relevant to the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error. The Board of Directors is further responsible for selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

Auditor's responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Swiss law and Swiss Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers the internal control system relevant to the entity's preparation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control system. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of the accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements for the year ended 31 March 2009 comply with Swiss law and the Company's articles of incorporation.

Report on other legal requirements

We confirm that we meet the legal requirements on licensing according to the Auditor Oversight Act ('AOA') and independence (article 728 CO and article 11 AOA) and that there are no circumstances incompatible with our independence.

In accordance with article 728a paragraph 1 item 3 CO and Swiss Auditing Standard 890, we confirm that an internal control system exists which has been designed for the preparation of financial statements according to the instructions of the Board of Directors.

We further confirm that the proposed appropriation of available earnings complies with Swiss law and the Company's articles of incorporation. We recommend that the financial statements submitted to you be approved.

PricewaterhouseCoopers SA

David Mason
Audit expert
Auditor in charge

Fabienne Mathieu

Geneva, 13 May 2009