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# UNAUDITED QUARTERLY UPDATE FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 31 MARCH 2023

L'Occitane International S.A. (the "Company") is pleased to present the unaudited 2022/2023 ("FY2023") quarterly update of the Company and its subsidiaries (the "Group") for the three months ended 31 March 2023 ("FY2023 Q4") and twelve months ended 31 March 2023 ("FY2023 12M"). This announcement is made pursuant to Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571 of the Laws of Hong Kong) and Rule 13.09 of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

#### **Highlights**

- The Group's sales exceeded the €2 billion mark in FY2023 12M, growing 17.9% at reported rates or 13.4% at constant rates. Like-for-like sales growth was 8.4% in FY2023 Q4, a significant improvement from -1.7% in the three months ended 31 December 2022 ("FY2023 Q3").
- The strong growth in FY2023 12M was driven by the outstanding performance of Sol de Janeiro and solid growth of ELEMIS, while the improved momentum in FY2023 Q4 was driven by the early positive signs in China and the travel retail and cruise ship channels.
- Sol de Janeiro sustained its strong momentum with stellar growth of 135.2% in local currency in FY2023 12M as the fastest-growing brand. ELEMIS returned to growth of 8.9% at constant rates while Others grew by 7.3% at constant rates. L'OCCITANE en Provence was flattish at -0.5% in FY2023 12M, mainly due to the difficult conditions in China for most of the year and the divestiture of Russia. Excluding the China and Russia markets, L'OCCITANE en Provence grew by 6.8% in FY2023 12M and 9.9% in FY2023 Q4.
- The Americas was once again the best performing region with a growth of 62.8% at constant rates in FY2023 12M, mostly driven by Sol de Janeiro. APAC returned to growth in FY2023 12M, thanks to the travel retail channel and the improved conditions in China in FY2023 Q4.
- Wholesale continued to be the fastest-growing channel with a 50.9% increase in FY2023 12M. Retail declined by 2.0%, mainly affected by the divestiture of Russia, the store closures in China as a result of COVID-19 outbreaks, and trading with fewer retail stores worldwide. Excluding the China and Russia markets, the retail channel grew 7.2%. Online channels grew 4.8% at constant rates, mainly due to Sol de Janeiro.

## Performance by Brand

The following tables present the net sales and net sales growth by brand for the periods indicated:

			Growth at	Growth at
	FY2023 Q4	FY2022 Q4	reported rates	constant rates
	€'million	€'million	%	%
L'OCCITANE en Provence	304.6	306.3	-0.6	0.8
ELEMIS	74.4	63.2	17.8	18.1
Sol de Janeiro <sup>(1)</sup>	100.2	26.1	284.0	267.5
Others <sup>(2)</sup>	45.4	39.4	15.2	14.3
Total	524.5	434.9	20.6	20.6
			Growth at	Growth at
	FY2023 12M	FY2022 12M	Growth at reported rates	
	FY2023 12M  €'million	FY2022 12M  €'million		
L'OCCITANE en Provence	€'million	€'million	reported rates	constant rates %
L'OCCITANE en Provence ELEMIS			reported rates %	constant rates
	€'million 1,421.2	€'million 1,389.2	reported rates % 2.3	constant rates % -0.5
ELEMIS	€'million 1,421.2 255.9	€'million 1,389.2 226.3	reported rates % 2.3 13.1	constant rates % -0.5 8.9
ELEMIS Sol de Janeiro <sup>(1)</sup>	€'million 1,421.2 255.9 267.0	€'million 1,389.2 226.3 26.1	reported rates % 2.3 13.1 N/A	constant rates % -0.5 8.9 N/A

<sup>(1)</sup> Sol de Janeiro's quarterly sales in FY2023 are restated as follows: Q1 €42.6 million (+€1.8 million), Q2 €56.0 million (+€2.1 million), Q3 €68.3 million (+€4.1 million), due to a reclassification of sales in the marketplace channel to properly record the sell-out sales value.

## Performance by Region

The following tables present the net sales, net sales growth and same store sales growth by region for the periods indicated:

		FY2023 Q4  €'million	FY2022 Q4  €'million	Growth at reported rates %	Growth at constant rates %
APAC		208.4	205.3	1.5	4.3
Americas		196.3	106.0	85.3	77.5
EMEA		119.8	123.7	-3.1	-1.3
Total		524.5	434.9	20.6	20.6
	FY2023 12M	FY2022 12M	Growth at reported rates	Growth at constant rates	Same store sales growth
	<b>FY2023 12M</b> €'million	FY2022 12M €'million			
APAC	€'million 896.2	€'million 875.4	reported rates % 2.4	constant rates % 0.5	sales growth %
Americas <sup>(1)</sup>	€'million 896.2 695.0	€'million 875.4 385.3	reported rates % 2.4 80.4	constant rates % 0.5 62.8	sales growth % -4.3 8.1
	€'million 896.2	€'million 875.4	reported rates % 2.4	constant rates % 0.5	sales growth %

<sup>(1)</sup> Includes sales of the US subsidiary during the Chapter 11 proceedings in FY2022.

<sup>(2)</sup> Others include LimeLife, Melvita, Erborian, L'OCCITANE au Brésil and Grown Alchemist.

#### **Performance by Channel**

The following tables present the net sales and net sales growth by channel for the periods indicated:

	FY2023 Q4  €'million	FY2022 Q4  €'million	Growth at reported rates %	Growth at constant rates %
Retail	170.4	178.5	-4.5	-2.4
Online channels	148.9	139.3	6.9	7.0
Wholesale & others	205.2	117.1	75.3	71.7
Total	524.5	434.9	20.6	20.6
	FY2023 12M	FY2022 12M	Growth at	Growth at
		1 1 2 0 2 2 1 2 1 1	reported rates	constant rates
	€'million	€'million	%	constant rates %
Retail			_	
Retail Online channels	€'million	€'million	%	%
	€'million 761.5	€'million 760.2	0.2	-2.0

The Group's net sales reached €2,134.7 million in FY2023 12M, representing 17.9% growth at reported rates or 13.4% growth at constant rates. Sales performance in FY2023 Q4 improved from that of FY2023 Q3, growing 20.6% at constant rates. On a like-for-like basis, i.e. excluding Russia due to the Group's divestiture in June 2022, the newly consolidated brands Sol de Janeiro and Grown Alchemist, the deconsolidation of the US subsidiary last year and at constant rates, sales growth was 8.4% in FY2023 Q4, a significant improvement from -1.7% in FY2023 Q3.

In FY2023 Q4, the sales performance of all key brands improved from that of FY2023 Q3. L'OCCITANE en Provence returned to a growth of 0.8% in FY2023 Q4, thanks to the dynamic travel retail channel and an improvement in China's sales momentum following the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions. For FY2023 12M, however, the brand recorded a slight sales decline of 0.5% at constant rates, mainly due to the difficult conditions in China for most of the year and the divestiture of Russia. Excluding the China and Russia markets, the brand posted sales growth of 6.8% and 9.9% in FY2023 12M and in FY2023 Q4, respectively. **ELEMIS** returned to a strong growth of 18.1% in FY2023 Q4 and ended FY2023 12M with 8.9% growth at constant rates. This was contributed by the US' strong growth of 34.0% in FY2023 12M, mainly driven by its outstanding e-commerce and cruise ship businesses, as well as the 29.2% growth in APAC with the brand's development in the region. This was partly offset by the sales decline in the UK, in line with its strategic decision to reduce sales to certain wholesale partners to enhance brand equity. **Sol de Janeiro** accelerated its stellar sales momentum to become the Group's second largest brand with €267.0 million sales in FY2023 12M. Its growth of 267.5% in FY2023 Q4 and 135.2% growth in FY2023 12M was fueled by the highly anticipated launches of the *Bum Bum Firmeza* body oil, in tandem with its bestselling *Brazilian Bum Bum Cream*, and the *Rio Radiance* fragrance mist. **Other brands** together also showed an improvement, posting 7.3% growth at constant rates for FY2023 12M. Erborian and L'OCCITANE au Brésil performed particularly well with 33.4% and 41.2% growth respectively at constant rates in FY2023 12M.

In terms of regional performance, the **Americas** led the growth with 80.4% at reported rates or 62.8% at constant rates in FY2023 12M. The growth was mainly driven by the accelerated growth of Sol de Janeiro and the solid performance of ELEMIS in the US. L'OCCITANE en Provence showed a low single-digit percent growth in the Americas. **APAC** returned to growth, increasing 2.4% at reported rates or 0.5% at constant rates in FY2023 12M, with strong contribution from the travel retail sales in the region and improved conditions in China, which saw the sales decline narrow to high-single digit percent in FY2023 Q4. Excluding China, APAC grew by 8.0% at constant rates and same store sales growth was 1.4% in FY2023 12M. **EMEA** saw a slight decrease of 0.7% at constant rates in FY2023 12M, mainly due to the divestiture of Russia. Excluding Russia, EMEA grew 10.2% at constant rates.

In terms of channel performance, **Wholesale & others** led the growth with 50.9% at constant rates in FY2023 12M, with dynamic growth in wholesale chains, international distribution and travel retail. **Online channels** posted a growth of 4.8% at constant rates in FY2023 12M, mainly driven by the strong performance of Sol de Janeiro. Excluding Sol de Janeiro, online channels declined as expected due to the return of traffic to brick-and-mortar channels and the sluggish performance of LimeLife. **Retail** sales saw a decrease of 2.0%, mainly affected by the divestiture of Russia, the store closures in China due to COVID-19 outbreaks, and the closure of own stores (1,362 as at 31 March 2023 as compared to 1,490 as at 31 March 2022). Excluding the Russia and China markets, retail sales grew by 7.2% at constant rates in FY2023 12M.

By Order of the Board
L'Occitane International S.A.
Reinold Geiger
Chairman

Hong Kong, 4 May 2023

As at the date of this announcement, the executive directors of the Company are Mr. Reinold Geiger (Chairman), Mr. André Hoffmann (Vice-Chairman and Chief Executive Officer), Mr. Karl Guénard (Company Secretary) and Mr. Séan Harrington (Chief Executive Officer of ELEMIS), the non-executive director of the Company is Mr. Thomas Levilion and the independent non-executive directors of the Company are Mrs. Christèle Hiss Holliger, Mr. Charles Mark Broadley, Ms. Betty Liu and Mr. Jackson Chik Sum Ng.

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