

Interim report Q1

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- Net sales declined 6.0% to MSEK 578.2 (615.3)
- Comparable growth amounted to -8.1% (10.3)
- Gross profit declined 3.9% to MSEK 251.5 (261.7) while the gross margin improved to 43.5% (42.5)
- Adjusted EBITA totalled MSEK 11.1 (24.1) and the adjusted EBITA margin was 1.9% (3.9)
- Operating profit amounted to MSEK 6.5 (19.8) and the operating margin to 1.1% (3.2)
- The company posted a net loss for the quarter of MSEK -7.5 (profit: 12.6)
- Cash flow from operating activities totalled MSEK -19.8 (-129.7)
- Earnings per share before and after dilution amounted to SEK -0.24 (0.41)

Significant events during and after the end of the quarter

- A new service point was opened in Sweden during the first quarter.
- Kjell & Company was ranked as Sweden's most sustainable brand in the category "Home Appliances & Electronics Stores" in the Sustainable Brand Index, Europe's largest brand study with a focus on sustainability, for the second year in a row.
- After the end of the quarter, Kjell & Company launched an initiative to offer recycling and resale of secondhand phones, tablets and computers in a partnership with ReuseIT, which is part of Elanders Group.

Performance measures	Q1	I	Apr-Mar	Jan-Dec
MSEK	2023	2022	22/23	2022
Net Sales	578.2	615.3	2,570.8	2,607.9
Sales growth, %	-6.0%	29.8% *	1.2%	8.8%
Comparable growth, %	-8.1%	10.3%	-	0.7%
Gross profit	251.5	261.7	1,089.0	1,099.2
Gross margin, %	43.5%	42.5%	42.4%	42.1%
Adjusted EBITA	11.1	24.1	121.8	134.8
Adjusted EBITA-margin, %	1.9%	3.9%	4.7%	5.2%
Operating profit (EBIT)	6.5	19.8	103.9	117.2
Cash flow from operating activities	-19.8	-129.7	352.2	242.3
Equity ratio	41.4%	37.4%	-	40.8%
Basic earnings (loss) per share, SEK*	-0.24	0.41	-	2.29
Members in loyalty club, thousand	3,125	2,779	3,125	3,107

*Net sales growth in Q1 2022 includes the acquisition of AV-Cables. Excluding acquisition, net sales growth amounted to 13.4%.

Focus on adapting the customer offering and new initiatives

In the first quarter of 2023, we saw more cautious and priceconscious consumers who in many cases deprioritised external brands with higher price points. On the other hand, our own brands with lower price points continued to grow during the quarter, which was beneficial for our gross margin. At the start of 2023, the retail sector and Kjell experienced greater restraint among customers as their disposable income decreased. The contrasts compared with the start of the preceding year were considerable as early 2022 was impacted by an intense prepping trend as a result of the conflict in Ukraine.

During the first quarter, sales declined 6% to MSEK 578.2, while the gross margin for the period improved year-on-year and amounted to 43.5%.

During the start of the year, we invested in strengthening the customer offering and new initiatives that will enable us to adapt to more cautious consumers and new purchasing patterns.

AV-Cables growing – expanding outside Denmark

In our growth market of Denmark, AV-Cables – which is the country's leading online store for cables and consumer electronics accessories – captured market share. AV-Cables currently has an industry-leading level of customer satisfaction based on data from Trustpilot, where AV-Cables has an average rating of 4.9 out of 5.0 on the basis of more than 134,000 reviews.

We are planning to launch AV-Cables in the Swedish market in the second quarter, and we are convinced that Swedish consumers will appreciate AV-Cables just as much as their Danish counterparts. AV-Cables will assume somewhat of a different market position than Kjell & Company, and we will therefore address a different customer group than what is typical for Kjell & Company. The establishment of AV-Cables in the Swedish market is an important strategic step for the Group, as we will be combining our two brands in the same market for the first time. With Kjell & Company's focus on knowledge and service and AV-Cables' unsurpassed value-for-money offering and broad assortment, we are now also able to assist consumers in more ways and make technology accessible for everyone.

New offering in secondhand technology

The expansion of AV-Cables is far from our only initiative to adapt to our customers' various needs and financial situations. Millions of functioning computers, telephones and tablets are currently not being used in Swedish homes. For this reason, Kjell & Company is launching an initiative to place the right technology in the right hands. Together with ReuseIT, which is part of Elanders Group, we are offering recycling and resale of secondhand hardware such as computers, tablets and mobile phones.



Continued optimisation of store network

In the first quarter, we continued to optimise the store network through the relocation of selected service points to further enhance our position in our customers' purchasing flows and strengthen the profitability and future potential of the stores. Two stores have been relocated to new and improved locations to date this year, and an additional two stores are set to be relocated in Q2.

The flexibility of our store network has helped us to avoid some of the severe rent indexation we have witnessed in the retail industry this year. In addition to the store network, we are continually implementing efficiency enhancements and adapting the cost base in order to continue to grow with profitability. During the quarter, we adapted our prices in a balanced manner, and we see considerable opportunities to compensate for further price increases, but in order to retain customer confidence, we will implement these increases with continued precision over time.

Customers continue to display a significant need for technology and digitalisation, and there are ample opportunities in the market for players who are quick to adapt and remain relevant. Kjell's entrepreneurial spirit and our strong needs-driven business model will enable us to continue to adapt to customer demand and grow our business.

Malmö, 10 May 2023 **Andreas Rylander** President and CEO

Summary of the Group's financial performance

Net sales

Net sales declined 6.0% to MSEK 578.2 (615.3) in the quarter. Comparable growth amounted to -8.1% (10.3) in the quarter.

Net sales in segment Sweden declined 9.2% in the quarter to MSEK 408.0 (449.1). Net sales for segment Norway declined 4.1% in the quarter to MSEK 84.7 (88.3) while net sales for segment Denmark increased 9.8% in the quarter to MSEK 85.5 (77.9).

Customers increasingly chose to visit us at service points rather than digitally during the quarter. Online sales accounted for 29% of sales for the rolling 12-month period, and Click&Collect for an additional 8% of sales.

Operating expenses

Operating expenses declined 4.1% to MSEK 573.8 (598.6) in the quarter.

Costs of goods for resale declined 7.6% to MSEK 326.7 (353.6) in the quarter. Gross profit amounted to MSEK 251.5 (261.7) for the quarter, down 3.9%. The gross margin was 43.5% (42.5). The gross margin for the quarter was strengthened by a higher share of own brands and a successful customer traffic strategy in segment Denmark. During the quarter, we adapted our prices in a balanced manner, and we see considerable opportunities to compensate for price increases, but in order to retain customer confidence, we plan to implement these increases in a balanced manner over time. The lower gross profit for the quarter was mainly attributable to lower net sales.

Personnel costs amounted to MSEK 125.5 (122.2) for the quarter, an increase of 2.7%. The increase is partly attributable to general salary increases and to the fact that we had seven more service points at the end of the quarter compared with the same period in the preceding year. We are continually enhancing our instore efficiency to optimise our staff in relation to customer traffic.

Other external expenses amounted to MSEK 72.1 (75.5) for the quarter, a decline of 4.5%. The decline is partly attributable to lower sales, but also a result of significant focus on cost efficiencies. These efficiency enhancements are helping us to offset the effects of inflation, such as rent indexation and salary increases. When looking at the cost trend, it should also be taken into account that we had seven more service points at the end of the quarter than in the year-earlier period.

Net sales (MSEK)



Net sales per segment (%), period





¹Sales before deduction for customer loyalty bonuses

Other operating expenses amounted to MSEK 2.9 (4.7) for the quarter and primarily consisted of currency losses. Other operating income amounted to MSEK 2.1 (3.1) for the quarter and mainly comprised compensation for relocation of service points. Income for the preceding year was primarily attributable to currency effects. Total currency effects amounted to a net loss of MSEK 3.1 in the quarter, compared with a loss of MSEK 1.6 in the comparative quarter.

Total depreciation and amortisation amounted to MSEK 46.6 (42.5) for the quarter, of which MSEK 4.6 (4.3) in the quarter pertained to amortisation of intangible assets arising from the acquisition of AV-Cables. Depreciation of right-of-use assets in accordance with IFRS 16 amounted to MSEK 31.7 (28.6) for the quarter.

There were no items affecting comparability in the quarter or the comparative quarter.

Adjusted EBITA

The Group's adjusted EBITA amounted to MSEK 11.1 (24.1) for the quarter. In comparison with first quarter last year adjusted EBITA was negatively impacted by currency effects of MSEK 1.5.

Operating profit

The Group's operating profit (EBIT) amounted to MSEK 6.5 (19.8) for the quarter, corresponding to an operating margin of 1.1% (3.2). As with adjusted EBITA, the quarter was negatively impacted by an amount of MSEK 1.5 in comparison with the same period last year due to currency effects.

Net financial items

The Group's net financial items amounted to MSEK -9.2 (-5.0) for the quarter, including MSEK 2.2 (2.3) in interest expenses attributable to lease liabilities. Increased interest-rate levels had a negative impact compared with the preceding year.

Earnings

Earnings for the quarter amounted to a loss of MSEK -7.5 (profit: 12.6).

Adjusted EBITA (MSEK)



Adjusted EBITA margin

Period: 1.9% (3.9%)

Cash flow and financial position

The Group's cash flow from operating activities for the quarter totalled MSEK -19.8 (-129.7). The company's natural seasonal variation in working capital requirements during the year entails that the company traditionally has a negative cash flow during the first quarter, which we also saw this year, albeit to a lesser extent than in previous years. We have devoted considerable efforts to improving our inventory turnover rate which, combined with a significantly more predictable and stable situation in our supply chains compared with the preceding year, has led to improved working capital utilisation.

Cash flow from investing activities amounted to MSEK -8.8 (-85.6) for the quarter. The change in the quarter was primarily the result of the establishment of service points and the further development of our omni-channel model. The comparative quarter was charged with the payment of an earnout of MSEK 73.9 to the seller of AV-Cables, which marked the final payment.

Cash flow from financing activities in the quarter amounted to MSEK -41.8 (55.9). Cash flow for the quarter comprised the repayment of lease liabilities and bank financing according to plan. The comparative quarter was positively impacted by external loans raised for financing the earnout for AV-Cables and a change in the utilisation of the revolving credit facility.

The Group's cash and cash equivalents amounted to MSEK 47.2 at the end of the reporting period, compared with MSEK 117.6 at the beginning of the year.

The Group's financial net debt amounted to MSEK 471.1 at the end of the quarter, compared with MSEK 405.1 at the beginning of the year, corresponding to financial net debt in relation to adjusted EBITDAaL (rolling 12 months)¹ of 3.1 (3.0).

The Group's equity amounted to MSEK 991.7 at the end of the reporting period, compared with MSEK 998.8 at the beginning of the year.

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 Stores" in the Sustainable Brand Index, Europe's largest brand study with a focus on sustainability, for the second year in a row.
- After the end of the quarter, Kjell & Company initiated a partnership for the recycling and resale of secondhand hardware. The initiative was carried out in collaboration with Reuse IT, which is part of Elanders Group AB (publ). Our members are now able to recycle computers, tablets and mobile phones at Kjell. The highest-quality products will then be made available for purchase at kjell.com.

¹ Including adjusted EBITDAaL for the periods in which acquired companies were not included in the Group's consolidated financial statements for the most recent 12-month period. Refer to the section "Definitions – Alternative performance measures" for more information.

Financial targets

The Group has the following financial targets:

NET SALES

Net sales to reach at least SEK 4 billion by the 2025 financial year.

PROFITABILITY

Adjusted EBITA margin of 8% in the medium term.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE

Financial net debt in relation to adjusted EBITDAaL (rolling 12 months) should be below 2.5x.

DIVIDEND POLICY

To pay a dividend of at least 60% of net profit, considering the Group's financial position, acquisition opportunities and future growth prospects.

Parent Company

The object of the Parent Company's operations is to own and manage shares in subsidiaries and to provide intra-Group services.

The Parent Company's net sales amounted to MSEK 6.8 (4.3) for the quarter and pertained entirely to intra-Group invoicing. Operating expenses amounted to MSEK 7.9 (6.7) for the quarter and consisted of personnel costs for the management team of MSEK 6.7 (5.3) in the quarter. The management team has increased in number compared with the same quarter last year. Other external expenses comprised other operating expenses of MSEK 1.2 (1.5) for the quarter as well as depreciation and amortisation. The quarter was charged with interest expenses of MSEK 5.5 (2.9) for the Group's credit facility as a result of increased interest-rate levels for financing given the prevailing market conditions. A loss after financial items of MSEK -6.5 (-4.9) was reported for the quarter.

Financial non-current assets amounted to MSEK 1,611 (1,611). Short-term receivables amounted to MSEK 124.1 (222), which largely consisted of inter-company transactions due to the cash pool.

Equity has declined during the year as a result of the loss for the quarter. Long-term interest-bearing liabilities declined as a result of repayments made during the quarter. Other operating liabilities increased compared with year-end 2022 and primarily related to inter-company transactions.

Kjell Group AB's Annual General Meeting

Kjell Group AB's 2023 Annual General Meeting will be held on 16 May in Malmö. The Board's proposal to the Meeting is that profit for the 2022 financial year be carried forward and that no dividend be paid for 2022.

The share

Kjell Group AB's (publ) share is listed on Nasdaq First North Growth Market under the ticker KJELL, with the ISIN SE0016797591. The highest and lowest share prices during the quarter were SEK 36.20 and SEK 24.45 on 31 January and 29 March, respectively.

A total of 1,872,550 shares were traded during the quarter, corresponding to a turnover rate of 6% during the measurement period.

As of 31 March 2023, Kjell Group AB (publ) had approximately 4,543 shareholders, the largest of which were FSN Capital (22.87%), Fosielund Holding (10.98%), Cervantes Capital (6.95%), AMF Pension & Fonder (6.95%) and Avanza Pension (3.54%). The number of shares issued as of 31 March 2023 was 31,151,514, all of which were common shares. For more information, visit www.kjellgroup.com

Condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss

		Q1		Jan-Dec 2022	
TSEK	Note	2023	2022		
Operating income					
Net sales	4	578,202	615,303	2,607,929	
Other operating income	_	2,083	3,053	13,884	
		580,285	618,356	2,621,813	
Operating expenses					
Goods for resale		-326,735	-353,628	-1,508,760	
Personnel costs		-125,490	-122,210	-493,672	
Other external expenses		-72,090	-75,470	-307,491	
Other operating expenses		-2,871	-4,737	-18,836	
Depreciation/amortisation of tangible and intangible assets		-46,604	-42,538	-175,873	
Operating profit	_	6,495	19,773	117,181	
Financial items					
Financial income		134	1,730	2,083	
Financial expenses		-9,310	-6,679	-31,404	
Net financial items		-9,176	-4,949	-29,321	
Profit (loss) before tax		-2,681	14,824	87,860	
Income tax		-4,782	-2,250	-16,660	
Net profit (loss) for the period		-7,463	12,574	71,200	
Net profit (loss) for the period attributable to:					
Parent Company's shareholders		-7,463	12,574	71,200	
Net profit (loss) for the period		-7,463	12,574	71,200	
Earnings (loss) per share					
Basic earnings (loss) per share, SEK*	5	-0.24	0.41	2.29	
Diluted earnings (loss) per share, SEK*	5	-0.24	0.41	2.29	

Condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income

	Q	Jan-Dec	
TSEK	2023	2022	2022
Net profit (loss) for the period	-7,463	12,574	71,200
Other comprehensive income			
Items that are or may be reclassified subsequently to profit or loss			
Exchange differences of foreign operations	-374	5,782	35,996
Other comprehensive income for the period	-374	5,782	35,996
Total comprehensive income for the period	-7,837	18,356	107,196
Comprehensive income for the period attributable to:			
Parent Company's shareholders	-7,837	18,356	107,196
Total comprehensive income for the period	-7,837	18,356	107,196

Condensed consolidated statement of financial position

		31 Mai		31 Dec
TSEK	Note	2023	2022	2022
Assets				
Intangible assets		1,371,656	1,359,222	1,372,032
Tangible assets		98,920	94,868	100,514
Right-of-use assets		274,055	255,727	275,888
Deferred tax assets		260	450	258
Total non-current assets		1,744,891	1,710,267	1,748,692
Inventory		520,912	598,676	487,525
Tax assets		24,163	22,483	28,774
Accounts receivable		26,084	23,999	28,369
Prepaid expenses and accrued income		30,012	26,694	34,321
Other receivables		599	9,224	1,616
Cash and cash equivalents		47,244	36,428	117,619
Total current assets		649,014	717,504	698,224
Total assets		2,393,905	2,427,771	2,446,916
Equity				
Share capital		515	515	515
Other contributed capital		456,855	454,521	456,111
Reserves		41,306	11,466	41,680
Retained earnings including net profit (loss) for the period		493,007	441,844	500,470
Equity attributable to Parent Company's shareholders		991,683	908,346	998,776
Total equity		991,683	908,346	998,776
Liabilities				
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities	6	501,910	517,514	513,528
Non-current lease liabilities		150,904	154,241	153,152
Other non-current liabilities		-	102	102
Deferred tax liabilities		128,342	128,804	127,350
Total non-current liabilities		781,156	800,661	794,132
Current interest-bearing liabilities	6	16,423	165,818	9,200
Current lease liabilities		115,520	96,058	113,465
Accounts payable		308,751	270,809	330,028
Tax liabilities		14,987	3,304	22,342
Other liabilities	6	51,055	70,628	74,592
Accrued expenses and deferred income		106,853	104,595	96,773
Provisions		7,477	7,552	7,608
Total current liabilities		621,066	718,764	654,008
Total liabilities		1,402,222	1,519,425	1,448,140
Total equity and liabilities		2,393,905	2,427,771	2,446,916

Condensed consolidated statement of changes in equity

	Equity attributable to Parent Company's shareholders						
ТЅЕК	Share capital	Other contributed capital	Translation reserve	Hedge reserve	Retained earnings incl. net profit (loss) for the period	Total equity	
Balance at 1 Jan 2023	515	456,111	41,680	-	500,470	998,776	
Transactions with owners of the company Incentive programme		744				744	
Comprehensive income for the period							
Net profit (loss) for the period	-	-	-	-	-7,463	-7,463	
Other comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-374	-	-	-374	
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	-374	-	-7,463	-7,837	
Closing balance 31 Mar 2023	515	456,855	41,306	-	493,007	991,683	
Balance at 1 Jan 2022 Transactions with owners of the company	515	453,978	5,684	-	429,270	889,447 -	
Incentive programme	-	543	-	-	-	543	
Comprehensive income for the period Net profit (loss) for the period	-	-	-	-	12,574	- - 12,574	
Other comprehensive income for the period	-	-	5,782	-	-	5,782	
Total comprehensive income for the period	-	-	5782	-	12,574	18,356	
Closing balance 31 Mars 2022	515	454,521	11,466	0	441,844	908,346	

Condensed consolidated statement of cash flows

	Q1		Jan-Dec	
TSEK	2023	2022	2022	
Cash flow from operating activities				
Profit (loss) before tax	-2,681	14,824	87,860	
Adjustments for non-cash items	41,400	40,744	174,939	
Income tax paid	-7,262	-19,813	-39,460	
	31,457	35,755	223,339	
Increase (-)/decrease (+) in inventories	-37,497	-47,462	65,505	
Increase (-)/decrease (+) in operating receivables	7,295	20,500	16,280	
Increase (+)/decrease (-) in operating liabilities	-21,012	-138,460	-62,874	
Cash flow from operating activities	-19,757	-129,667	242,250	
Investing activities				
Acquisition of tangible assets	-4,799	-7,599	-30,042	
Acquisition of intangible assets	-3,985	-4,049	-14,163	
Acquisition of subsidiaries	-	-	-	
Settlement of additional purchase price related to acquisition of subsidiaries	-	-73,944	-73,944	
Cash flow from investing activities	-8,784	-85,592	-118,149	
Financing activities				
New share issue	-		-	
Issue expenses	-		-	
Proceeds of loans	-	231,617	258,977	
Repayment of loans	-4,600	-144,600	-332,916	
Repayment of lease liabilities	-37,140	-31,142	-130,460	
Cash flow from financing activities	-41,740	55,875	-204,399	
Cash flow for the period	-70,281	-159,384	-80,298	
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the period	117,619	193,770	193,770	
Exchange rate differences in cash and cash equivalents	-94	2,042	4,147	
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the period	47,244	36,428	117,619	

Condensed notes to the financial statements

Not 1 General information

Kjell Group AB (publ) (the "company"), Corp. Reg. No. 559115-8448, is a company with its registered offices in Malmö, Sweden. These consolidated interim financial statements for the Group ("interim report") for the period January–December 2022 encompass the company and its subsidiaries, referred to jointly below as the "Group." The Group's consolidated accounting currency is SEK. All of the amounts are presented in thousands of SEK (TSEK), unless otherwise stated.

Not 2 Accounting policies

This interim report has been prepared in accordance with IAS 34 Interim Financial Reporting and the applicable provisions in the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, and should be read together with the Group's annual report for 2022. The interim report for the Parent Company has been prepared in accordance with Chapter 9 of the Swedish Annual Accounts Act, Interim Report. This interim report does not contain all the information required for comprehensive reporting in accordance with IFRS. However, explanatory notes have been included to explain events and transactions that are material for understanding the changes in the Group's financial position and performance. The accounting policies applied in this interim report are the same as those applied in the annual reports for 2022 for both the Group and the Parent Company. The Group did not apply any new IFRS or new interpretations published by the IFRS Interpretations Committee in advance. Issued standards and interpretations that have not yet come into effect are not expected to have any material impact on the Group.

Not 3 Important estimates and judgements

The management of the Group makes estimates and assumptions about the future, and makes judgements on which accounting policies should be applied to the preparation of the financial statements. Estimates and judgements are reviewed continuously and assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors, including expectations of future events considered reasonable under the prevailing circumstances. The resulting accounting estimates will, by definition, seldom correspond to the actual results. The material estimates made by management when applying the Group's accounting policies and the most important sources of uncertainty in the estimates are the same as those described in Note 33 of the Group's annual report for 2022.

Not 4 Revenue and operating segments

The Group's operations are divided into operating segments based on the parts of the organisation monitored by the company's chief operating decision maker, known as the management approach. For the Kjell Group, this means that the Group's operations are divided into three segments: Sweden, Norway and Denmark, which correspond to the operations in each country. The segments encompass sales via service points in Sweden and Norway and online-generated sales in all countries. Segment Sweden includes costs for Group-wide functions, including the purchasing organisation in Shanghai, since this reflects how the segments are monitored internally by the Group. All revenue for the segments is from sales to external customers. The same accounting policies are applied to the segments as for the Group. The performance measure recognised for the segments is "Adjusted EBITA." Information about each reportable segment is provided below.

Jan-Mar	Swe	den	Nor	way	Denmark		Tot	al
TSEK	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022	2023	2022
Net sales	408,000	449,106	84,702	88,333	85,500	77,864	578,202	615,303
Depreciation excl.amortisation on intangible assets related to business combinations	34,269	30,705	7,415	7,273	292	229	41,976	38,207
Adjusted EBITA	474	16,473	-1,879	122	12,528	7,509	11,123	24,104
Amortisation on intangible assets related to business combinations							-4,628	-4,331
Items affecting comparability							-	-
Operating profit							6,495	19,773
Net financial items							-9,176	-4,949
Profit (loss) before tax							-2,681	14,824

Not 5 Earnings per share

Earnings per share are calculated as net profit for the period divided by the weighted average number of shares during the period.

Not 6 Fair value of financial instruments

The fair value of the liabilities in the Group's credit facility is estimated at TSEK 521,199 (687,017), compared with the carrying amount of TSEK 518,333 (683,332). The facility carries a floating interest rate plus a margin. Management estimates that there has been no change in credit margins since the loan agreement was signed that could have a material impact on the fair value of the loan. The difference between the fair value and the carrying amount of the bank facilities is thus primarily attributable to the carrying amount of the loan including transaction costs that remain to be amortised as part of the effective interest rate.

The fair value belongs to Level 2 of the fair value hierarchy. The carrying amounts of all other financial liabilities and financial assets are considered to be a reasonable estimate of their fair values.

Final settlement of the acquisition of AV-Cables was completed in the first quarter of 2022. The total earnout paid amounted to MDKK 54.7, corresponding to MSEK 73.9 on the date of the transaction.

Contingent consideration	31 N	lar	31 Dec		
TSEK	2023	2022	2022		
Balance at the beginning of the period	-	75,387	75,387		
Added through business combinations	-	-	-		
Payments	-	-73,944	-73,944		
Recognised in profit or loss					
Change in fair value	-	-	-		
Currency effects	-	-1,443	-1,443		
Balance at the end of the period	-	-	-		

Not 7 Seasonal variations

The Group's operations are impacted by the effect of seasonal variations on demand and the Group's revenue also displays seasonal variations, with higher sales figures normally reported in the fourth quarter of the financial year compared with other quarters.

Not 8 Risks and uncertainties

All business operations are associated with risk. Risks can arise due to world events and can impact a specific industry or be more general in nature or impact a specific company. The Group works continuously to identify, measure and manage risks and can, in certain cases, influence the likelihood that a risk-related event will occur.

The Group's performance is largely impacted by consumer behaviour in the markets where it operates, and to be able to continuously provide customers with an attractive offering and thereby ensure the company's competitiveness, it is necessary to understand how the operating environment is changing. The operations that the Group conducts are associated with risks that could have a negative impact on the Group to varying degrees. These risks are divided into strategic, operating and financial risks.

The Group works to continuously update the Group's risk status following a systematic process whereby risks are identified, assessed and managed. Based on priority, the company focuses on the risks deemed to have the potential to have the greatest negative impact on the operations, and this work forms part of the strategic and operational management of the Group.

From both a short- and a long-term perspective, strategic risks mainly include risks associated with changes in the operating environment and increased competition, technology shifts and customer purchasing behaviour, market position, assortment and offering, and growth. Operating risks mainly comprise risks associated with purchasing, inventories, sustainability, IT systems, logistics and transportation, employees, leases, waste and regulatory risks. Financial risks comprise risks associated with currency exposure, interest-rate exposure and undercapitalisation.

The Group's Board of Directors and management have reviewed the development of these material risks and uncertainties since the publication of the annual report for 2022. At the time this interim report was published, the war between Russia and Ukraine is still ongoing. The Group has no direct exposure to these markets, but Group management and the Board are continuously evaluating the potential negative effects on demand for the Group's products that this conflict may have, such as declining consumer confidence stemming from the indirect effects of the war, higher energy prices, growing interest rates and increased inflation.

Group management and the Board are regularly following changes in the geopolitical situation, such as tensions between China and the US, and the potential impact of these changes on the global economy.

Not 9 Other disclosures

Incentive programmes

An extraordinary general meeting on 19 May 2022 introduced a long-term incentive programme in the form of a performance share savings programme. In order to participate in the long-term incentive programme, participants are required to acquire shares (known as "savings shares") in Kjell Group AB. Participants who retain their savings shares during the vesting period of about three years and remain an employee of Kjell & Company for the entire vesting period will be entitled to receive performance shares free of charge, on the condition that the performance criterion has been fulfilled. The performance criterion refers to the total shareholder return for the company's share during the vesting period of about three years, known as a "TSR criterion."

Full allotment will result in a dilution of approximately 0.84% of the total number of shares outstanding. The costs for the long-term incentive programme are estimated at approximately MSEK 3.7 excluding social security contributions of about MSEK 1.5.

The long-term incentive programme is recognised in accordance with IFRS 2 *Share-based Payment*. Accordingly, the cost for the programme is recognised over the vesting period of approximately three years. The total cost of IFRS 2 and social security contributions for the interim period amounts to TSEK 431 for the new incentive programme. For more information about the performance share savings programme 2022, refer to the minutes of the Annual General Meeting at <u>www.kjellgroup.com</u>.

Kjell Group offers a performance share savings programme that was adopted at the Extraordinary General Meeting on 16 September 2021. The total IFRS 2 cost for Kjell Group's performance share savings programme is reported under Equity.

Kjell Group intends to launch a new performance share savings programme in 2023 provided this is approved at the Annual General Meeting on 16 May.

Not 10 Significant events after the reporting date

After the end of the quarter, Kjell & Company launched an initiative to offer recycling and resale of secondhand phones, tablets and computers in a partnership with ReuseIT, which is part of Elanders Group AB (Publ). From now on, members can hand in used computers, tablets and mobile phones at Kjell. The products that are of the highest quality will then be available to buy on Kjell.com.

Condensed Parent Company income statement

	Q1		Jan-Dec	
TSEK	2023	2022	2022	
Net sales				
Operating income	6,839	4,334	24,607	
	6,839	4,334	24,607	
Operating expenses				
Other external expenses	-1,180	-1,470	-7,584	
Personnel costs	-6,699	-5,294	-21,788	
Depreciation of tangible assets	-3	-	-8	
Operating profit	-1,043	-2,430	-4,773	
Financial items				
Financial income	30	296	1,724	
Financial expenses	-5,460	-2,852	-17,393	
Profit (loss) after financial items	-6,473	-4,986	-20,442	
Appropriations	-		55,825	
Profit (loss) before tax	-6,473	-4,986	35,383	
Income tax	-	-	-7,181	
Profit (loss) for the period	-6,473	-4,986	28,202	

Condensed Parent Company balance sheet

	31 Mar			
TSEK Note	2023	2022		
Assets				
Non-current assets				
Tangible assets				
Machinery and equipment	29	11		
Total Tangible assets	29	11		
Financial non-current assets				
Participation in group companies	1,610,272	1,609,657		
Deferred tax assets	422	1,448		
Total financial non-current assets	1,610,694	1,611,105		
Total non-current assets	1,610,723	1,611,116		
Current assets				
Account receivables	22	-		
Current receivables from group companies	112,913	215,567		
Prepaid expenses and accrued income	2,715	2,759		
Other receivables	-	294		
Tax receivables	8,428	3,652		
Total current receivables	124,078	222,272		
Cash and cash equivalents	11,123	12		
Total current assets	135,201	222,284		
Total assets	1,745,924	1,833,400		
Equity and liabilites				
Equity				
Resticted equtiy				
Share capital	515	515		
Non-restricted equity				
Share premium reserve				
Retained earnings	62,175	31,640		
Profit (loss) for the period	-6,473	-4,986		
Total equity	1,147,650	1,118,602		
Untaxed reserves				
Tax allocation reserves	9,275	-		
Total untaxed reserves	9,275	-		
Liabilities				
Non-current liabilities				
Non-current interest-bearing liabilities 6	434,134	442,515		
Other non-current liabilities				
Total non-current liabilities	434,134	442,515		
	101,101	112,010		
Current liabilities	0.000	405 040		
Current interest-bearing liabilities 6	9,200	165,818		
Accounts payable	1,103	406		
Current liabilities to group companies	130,377	86,293		
Other summant lishilities	2,333	11,234		
Other current liabilities	0.040	-		
Tax liabilities	6,649			
	6,649 5,203 154,865	8,532 272,283		

The Board of Directors and CEO give their assurance that the interim report provides a fair review of the development of the Group's and Parent Company's operations, profit and financial position and describes the material risks and uncertainty factors faced by the Parent Company and the companies included in the Group.

Malmö, 10 May 2023

Ingrid Johansson Blank Chairman of the Board Fredrik Dahnelius Board member

Joel Eklund Board member Thomas Broe-Andersen Board member

Ola Burmark Board member Andreas Rylander CEO

Simon Larsson Board member

The information in this interim report has not been reviewed by the company's auditors.

Selected financial information

	Q1		Apr-Mar	Jan-Dec
MSEK	2023	2022	22/23	2022
Members in loyalty club, thousand	3,125	2,779	3,125	3,107
Net sales	578.2	615.3	2,570.8	2,607.9
Sales growth, %	-6.0%	29.8%	1.2%	8.8%
Comparable growth, %	-8.1%	10.3%	-	0.7%
Gross profit	251.5	261.7	1,089.0	1,099.2
Gross margin, %	43.5%	42.5%	42.4%	42.1%
Adjusted EBITA	11.1	24.1	121.8	134.8
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	1.9%	3.9%	4.7%	5.2%
Items affecting comparability	-	-	-	-
Cash flow from operating activities	-19.8	-129.7	352.2	242.3
Working capital	112.6	224.2	-	49.3
Core working capital	238.2	351.9	-	185.9
Financial net debt	471.1	646.9	-	405.1
Financial net debt/Adjusted EBITDAaL	3.1	3.0	-	2.5
Equity ratio, %	41.4%	37.4%	-	40.8%
Investments	-8.8	-11.6	-41.3	-44.2
Number of outstanding shares before dilution	31,151,514	31,151,514	31,151,514	31,151,514
Number of outstanding shares after dilution	31,151,514	31,151,514	31,151,514	31,151,514
Average number of outstanding shares befor dilution	31,151,514	31,151,514	31,151,514	31,151,514
Average number of outstanding shares after dilution	31,151,514	31,151,514	31,151,514	31,151,514

Quarterly data

MSEK	Q4 21	Q1 22	Q2 22	Q3 22	Q4 22	Q1 23
Net sales	818.8	615.3	613.7	617.0	762.0	578.2
Gross profit	331.8	261.7	259.6	267.6	310.2	251.5
Gross margin, %	40.5%	42.5%	42.3%	43.4%	40.7%	43.5%
Adjusted EBITA	87.9	24.1	12.8	40.8	57.1	11.1
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	10.7%	3.9%	2.1%	6.6%	7.5%	1.9%
Cash flow from operating activities	144.1	-129.7	75.5	83.4	213.0	-19.8
Working capital	-33.1	224.2	196.4	183.1	49.3	112.6
Core working capital	195.2	351.9	315.0	297.9	185.9	238.2
Investments	-20.3	-11.6	-11.9	-10.8	-9.9	-8.8

Reconciliation of alternative performance measures

Certain information in this report used by management and analysts to assess the company's performance has not been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS). Management is of the opinion that this information makes it easier for investors to analyse the Group's performance for the reasons stated below. These measures are not a substitute for or better than financial measures reported in accordance with IFRS and should be presented together with such measures. Note that the Group's definitions of these measures may differ from other companies' definitions of the same name. Investors are encouraged not to place undue reliance on these alternative performance measures.

ADJUSTED EBITA

Management has presented the performance measure of adjusted EBITA because it monitors this performance measure at Group level and believes that this measure is relevant for understanding the Group's financial performance.

Adjusted EBITA is calculated by adjusting net profit for the period so that it excludes the impact of tax, net financial items, amortisation and impairment of intangible assets arising in connection with business combinations and items affecting comparability.

OPERATING PROFIT (EBIT), EBIT MARGIN, EBITA, EBITA MARGIN, ADJUSTED EBITA, ADJUSTED EBITA MARGIN, EBITDA, ADJUSTED EBITDA AND ADJUSTED EBITDAAL

	Q1		Apr-Mar	Jan-Dec
TSEK	2023	2022	22/23	2022
Profit (loss) for the period	-7,463	12,574	51,163	71,200
Income tax	4,782	2,250	19,192	16,660
Net financial items	9,176	4,949	33,548	29,321
Operating profit (EBIT)	6,495	19,773	103,903	117,181
Amortisation on intangible assets related to business combinations	4,628	4,330	17,872	17,574
EBITA	11,123	24,103	121,775	134,755
Depreciation excl. amortisation on intangible assets related to business combinations	41,980	38,209	162,067	158,299
EBITDA	53,103	62,312	283,842	293,054
EBITA	11,123	24,103	121,775	134,755
Items affecting comparability	-	-	-	-
Adjusted EBITA	11,123	24,103	121,775	134,755
EBITDA	53,103	62,312	283,842	293,054
Items affecting comparability	-	-	-	-
Adjusted EBITDA	53,103	62,312	283,842	293,054
Depreciation right-of-use assets	-31,661	-28,632	-122,271	-119,242
Interest on lease liabilities	-2,249	-2,327	-8,648	-8,726
Adjusted EBITDAaL	19,193	31,353	152,923	165,086
Net sales	578,202	615,303	2,570,828	2,607,929
EBIT-margin, %	1.1%	3.2%	4.0%	4.5%
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	1.9%	3.9%	4.7%	5.2%

ITEMS AFFECTING COMPARABILITY

Income and cost items that are presented separately due to their nature and amounts. Items affecting comparability are used by management to explain fluctuations in historical profitability. No items affecting comparability were identified for the current year or the comparative year.

NET SALES GROWTH

	Q1		Apr-Mar	Jan-Dec
%	2023	2022	22/23	2022
Net sales current period	578,202	615,303	2,570,828	2,607,929
Net sales preceeding period	615,303	473,987	2,539,349	2,398,033
Net sales growth, %	-6.0%	29.8%	1.2%	8.8%

COMPARABLE GROWTH

COMPARABLE GROWTH				
	Q1		Q1 Jan-Dec	
TSEK	2023	2022	2022	
Comparable sales comparative period				
Recognised net sales comparative period	615,303	473,987	2,398,033	
Adjustments for returns and loyalty programme comparative period	-1,456	1,148	11,349	
Revenue new service points and other channels	-1,935	-6,534	-9,419	
Total comparable sales comparative period	611,912	468,601	2,399,963	
Comparable sales current period				
Recognised net sales current period	578,202	615,303	2,607,929	
Adjustments for returns and loyalty programme current period	-1,166	-1,274	8,414	
Revenue new service points and other channels	-12,159	-14,707	-65,735	
Revenue from business combinations	-	-77,864	-100,236	
Currency effects	-2,459	-4,511	-33,779	
Total comparable sales current period	562,418	516,947	2,416,593	
Total comparable sales comparative period	611,912	468,601	2,399,963	
Total comparable sales current period	562,418	516,947	2,416,593	
Comparable growth, %	-8.1%	10.3%	0.7%	

GROSS PROFIT AND GROSS MARGIN

	Q1	Q1		Jan-Dec
TSEK	2023	2022	22/23	2022
Net sales	578,202	615,303	578,202	2,607,929
Goods for resale	-326,735	-353,628	-326,735	-1,508,760
Gross Profit	251,467	261,675	251,467	1,099,169
Gross Profit	251,467	261,675	251,467	1,099,169
Net sales	578,202	615,303	578,202	2,607,929
Gross margin, %	43.5%	42.5%	43.5%	42.1%

NET DEBT, FINANCIAL NET DEBT AND FINANCIAL NET DEBT/ADJUSTED EBITDAAL

	31 Mar		31 Dec
TSEK	2023	2022	2022
Non-current interest bearing liabilities	501,910	517,514	513,528
Current interest bearing liabilities	16,423	165,818	9,200
Interest bearing liabilities	518,333	683,332	522,728
Cash and cash equivalents	-47,244	-36,428	-117,619
Net financial debt	471,089	646,904	405,109
Non-current lease liabilities	150,904	154,241	153,152
Current lease liabilities	115,520	96,058	113,465
Lease liabilities	266,424	250,299	266,617
Total interest bearing liabilities	518,333	683,332	522,728
Total lease liabilities	266,424	250,299	266,617
Total financial liabilites	784,757	933,631	789,345
Cash and cash equivalents	-47,244	-36,428	-117,619
Net debt	737,513	897,203	671,726
Net financial debt	471,089	646,904	405,109
Adjusted EBITDAaL, R12	152,923	217,130	165,086
Net financial debt/Adjusted EBITDAal, times	3.1	3.0	2.5

WORKING CAPITAL

	31	31 Mar	
TSEK	2023	2022	2022
Current assets	649,014	717,504	698,224
Cash and cash equivalents	-47,244	-36,428	-117,619
Current liabilities excl. interest bearing liabilities and lease liabilities	-489,123	-456,888	-531,343
Working capital	112,647	224,188	49,262
Current liabilities excl. interest bearing liabilities and lease liabilities			
Accounts payable	308,751	270,809	330,028
Tax liabilities	14,987	3,304	22,342
Other liabilities	51,055	70,628	74,592
Accrued expenses and deferred income	106,853	104,595	96,773
Provisions	7,477	7,552	7,608
Total	489,123	456,888	531,343

CORE WORKING CAPITAL

	31	31 Mar	
TSEK	2023	2022	2022
Inventory	520,912	598,676	487,525
Accounts receivable	26,084	23,999	28,369
Accounts payable	-308,751	-270,809	-330,028
Core working capital	238,245	351,866	185,866

INVESTMENTS

	Q1		Apr-Mar	Jan-Dec
TSEK	2023	2022	22/23	2022
Acquisition of tangible assets	-4,799	-7,599	-27,242	-30,042
Acquisition of intangible assets	-3,985	-4,049	-14,099	-14,163
Investments	-8,784	-11,648	-41,341	-44,205

EQUITY/ASSETS RATIO

	31	31 Mar	
%	2023	2022	2022
Total equity	991,683	908,346	998,776
Total assets	2,393,905	2,427,771	2,446,916
Equity ratio, %	41.4%	37.4%	40.8%

Earnings measures	Definition	Reason why the earnings measure is used
Gross margin, %	Gross profit divided by net sales.	The gross margin shows the company's profitability after the costs of goods for resale, which facilitates a comparison of the average gross margin on goods sold over time.
Gross profit	Net sales less costs of goods for resale.	The company's gross profit shows the amount that remains for financing other expenses after goods for resale have been sold.
Core working capital	Inventories plus accounts receivable less accounts payable.	This performance measure shows the business's tied-up capital for sales of goods.
EBIT margin, %	EBIT divided by net sales.	The performance measure shows the company's profitability generated by the operating activities after amortisation, depreciation and impairment.
EBITA	Operating profit before amortisation and impairment of intangible assets arising in connection with business combinations.	EBITA provides an overview of the profit generated in the operations before amortisation and impairment of intangible assets arising in connection with business combinations, which provides a more comparable performance measure over time.
EBITA margin, %	EBITA divided by net sales.	This performance measure shows the company's profitability from the operating activities before amortisation and impairment of intangible assets arising in connection with business combinations.
EBITDA	Profit before tax, financial items, amortisation, depreciation and impairment.	EBITDA provides an overview of the profit generated in the operations before amortisation, depreciation and impairment, which provides a more comparable performance measure over time.
Financial net debt	Net debt excluding current and non- current lease liabilities.	Used to monitor the debt trend and evaluate the level of refinancing requirements.
Financial net debt/Adjusted EBITDAaL (multiple)	Financial net debt in relation to 12 months' adjusted EBITDAaL.	This performance measure illustrates the company's capacity to repay its debts. Management uses the performance measure to monitor the level of financial gearing.
Investments	Acquisitions of tangible and intangible assets	This performance measure describes the company's continuous investments in the operations.

Definitions – Alternative performance measures

Adjusted EBITA	EBITA excluding items affecting comparability.	Management has presented the performance measure of adjusted EBITA because it monitors this performance measure and believes that this measure is relevant for understanding the Group's financial results.
		The measure shows the financial results of the operations without the effect of material cost or income items that impact comparability over time, as described under the heading "Items affecting comparability."
Adjusted EBITA margin, %	EBITA excluding items affecting comparability divided by net sales.	This performance measure shows the company's profitability from the operating activities excluding items affecting comparability and amortisation and impairment of intangible assets arising in connection with business combinations, which enables a comparison with the underlying operating profitability.
Adjusted EBITDA	EBITDA excluding items affecting comparability.	This measure indicates the company's underlying profit generated by the operating activities before amortisation, depreciation and impairment excluding items affecting comparability, which provides a more comparable performance measure over time.
Adjusted EBITDAaL	Adjusted EBITDA less amortisation, depreciation and interest expenses related to leases under IFRS 16 plus adjusted EBITDAaL for the periods in which acquired companies were not included in the Group's consolidated financial statements for the relevant period.	Adjusted EBITDAaL is used as the denominator in financial net debt/adjusted EBITDAaL for monitoring financial gearing.
Comparable growth, %	The change in comparable sales between the current and comparative period in which comparable sales are sales in comparable units and channels, excluding currency translation effects. Comparable units and channels are sales units and channels that were operational for the current and comparative period.	The measure facilitates a comparison of net sales over time by excluding revenue from sales units and channels that were not operational for corresponding periods, adjusted for currency effects. The measure makes it possible to evaluate sales growth in existing channels.
Items affecting comparability	Income and cost items that are presented separately due to their nature and amounts. All items that are included are larger and material in certain periods and smaller or non-existent in other periods.	Items affecting comparability are used by management to explain fluctuations in historical profitability. Presenting and specifying items affecting comparability separately makes it possible for readers of the financial statements to understand and evaluate the adjustments

		made by management when presenting adjusted EBITA. Taking into account items affecting comparability increases comparability and thus understanding of the Group's financial performance.
Net sales growth, %	Net sales for the current period in relation to net sales for the relevant comparative period, expressed as a percentage.	The measure makes it possible to analyse the Group's total net sales growth and compare it in relation to the market as a whole and competitors.
Net debt	The total of current and non-current interest-bearing liabilities and current and non-current lease liabilities less cash and cash equivalents.	Net debt illustrates the company's total indebtedness.
Working capital	Total current assets excluding cash and cash equivalents, less total current liabilities excluding interest- bearing and lease liabilities.	The measure is used to analyse the company's short-term tied-up capital.
Operating profit (EBIT)	Operating profit (EBIT) refers to the company's net sales and other operating income less goods for resale, personnel costs, other external expenses, other operating expenses, and depreciation, amortisation and impairment of tangible and intangible assets.	The measure indicates the company's underlying profit generated by the operating activities.
Equity/assets ratio, %	Total equity divided by total assets.	This performance measure describes the company's long-term payment capacity.

Definitions – Operating performance measures

Operating performance measures	Definition
Number of customer club members	Number of unique individuals who actively choose to be a member of Kjell & Company's customer club.





WEBCAST IN CONNECTION WITH THE PUBLICATION OF THE INTERIM REPORT

Andreas Rylander, President and CEO, and Niklas Tyrén, CFO, will hold a webcast in connection with the publication of the interim report at 10:00 a.m. on 10 May 2023. To participate in the conference, follow the link <u>https://ir.financialhearings.com/kjell-group-q1-2023</u>. The presentation material is available on the Group's website: <u>https://www.kjellgroup.com/en/investors/financial-reports/</u>.



INTERIM REPORTS

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Through Kjell & Company's customer club, with over 3.1 million members, and wholly owned Danish company AV-Cables, the company has a unique understanding of people's technology needs, and the Group's approximately 1,200 employees work every day to improve people's lives through technology.