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JB Foods achieves a full-year profit after tax of USD13.8million on the back of USD448.8million in revenue in 2021

Singapore, 24 February 2022 - JB Foods Limited. (“JB Foods” or the “Company”, and together with its subsidiaries, the “Group”), a major cocoa ingredients producer, is pleased to announce that the Group has registered a revenue of US\$448.8million for the financial year ending 31 December 2021 (“FY2021”), driven mainly by higher shipment volume for cocoa ingredients.

Gross profits in FY2021 of USD26.1million decreased by USD17.7million or 40.5%, from USD43.8million in FY2020, impacted by the significant surge in ocean freight rates caused by disruptions in global supply chain and the shortage of shipping vessels, and higher trucking costs arising from increased local delivery sales in the North America and Russia markets.

Accordingly, the Group recorded a profit after tax of USD13.8million in FY2021.

“Resilience in cocoa products consumption continue to drive growth. Even as we stay on course to expand organically, building capabilities and capacity, we are keeping a close eye on ongoing sustainability efforts, making progress through a formalised roadmap,” commented Mr Tey How Keong, Chief Executive Officer, JB Foods.

He further shared, **“Globally, supply chain disruptions have pushed ocean freight rates upwards notably. At JB Foods, this is felt through the lower profitability recorded in the financial year 2021. In markets impacted by global trends, we are constantly reviewing our pricing strategy to overcome these challenges.**

In addition to an earlier interim dividend of 0.20 Singapore cents per share paid out in September 2021, the Group is pleased to propose a final dividend of 1.30 Singapore cent per share for the FY2021.”

Outlook

The Covid-19 pandemic, disruptions in the global supply chain and unabatingly high in the ocean freight rates will continue to pose as headwinds to the Group. The Group will continue to closely monitor the development in the industry and will be respond accordingly on our pricing strategy.

The Group expects the rest of the year 2022 to be volatile. Nonetheless, the Group remains optimistic that the cocoa consumption environment will continue to be supported by the recovery of the economy after the COVID-19 pandemic and the growing middle-income classes over the long term.

Key Financial Highlights

	FY2021 (USD'000)	FY2020 (USD'000)	+ / (-) %
Revenue	448,763	417,754	7.4
Profit after tax	13,850	19,406	(28.6)

- Profitable despite the pandemic due to resilience of cocoa products
- Global supply chain disruption and shortage of shipping vessels caused a surge in the ocean freight rates and rise in our costs
- Final dividend of 1.30 Singapore cents

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About JB Foods Limited

Established since the 2000s, JB Foods is a major cocoa ingredients producer with operations in Malaysia and Indonesia with a cocoa bean processing capacity of 180,000 tonnes per year. We are principally engaged in the production and sale of cocoa ingredient products, namely cocoa butter, cocoa powder, cocoa liquor and cocoa cake, which are used to produce chocolate, chocolate confectionary, as well as cocoa-related food and beverages. Our products are sold primarily under the “JBCOCHA” brand name and we export our products worldwide to customers ranging from international trade houses to end users.

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