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FORM 10-Q

(Mark One)

X QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 for the quarter ended April 30, 2002.

OR

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 for the transition from \_\_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_.

Commission file number: 1-9494

TIFFANY & CO.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 13-3228013 (State of incorporation) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

727 Fifth Ave. New York, NY 10022
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 755-8000

Former name, former address and former fiscal year, if changed since last report

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes X. No .

APPLICABLE ONLY TO CORPORATE ISSUERS: Indicate the number of shares outstanding of each of the issuer's classes of common stock as of the latest practicable date: Common Stock, \$.01 par value, 145,695,181 shares outstanding at the close of business on April 30, 2002.

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PART I. Financial Information Item 1. Financial Statements

TIFFANY & CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS
(Unaudited)
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	-	April 30, 2002	-	January 2002
ASSETS				
Current assets:				
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	145,265	\$	173,
Accounts receivable, less allowances				
of \$6,935, \$6,878 and \$7,619		100,982		98,
Inventories, net		653,082		611,
Deferred income taxes		45 <b>,</b> 796		41,
Prepaid expenses and other current assets		33,841		29 <b>,</b>
Total current assets		978,966		954 <b>,</b>
Property and equipment, net		540,384		525,
Deferred income taxes		5,452		4,
Other assets, net		145,659		145,
	\$	1,670,461	\$	1,629,
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LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY				
Current liabilities:				
Short-term borrowings	\$	41,975	\$	40,
Current portion of long-term debt		51,500		51,
Obligation under capital lease		-		
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		171,906		161,
Income taxes payable		27,743		48,
Merchandise and other customer credits		38,184		38, 
Total current liabilities		331,308		341,
Long-term debt		181,995		179,
Postretirement/employment benefit obligations		31,333		29,
Other long-term liabilities		43,337		42,
Commitments and contingencies				
Stockholders' equity:				
Common Stock, \$.01 par value; authorized 240,000 shares,		1 457		1
issued and outstanding 145,719, 145,001 and 145,883		1,457		1,
Additional paid-in capital Retained earnings		344,828 770,433		330, 743,
Accumulated other comprehensive(loss) gain:		110, 133		1701
Foreign currency translation adjustments		(36,879)		(45,
Cash flow hedging instruments		2,649		6,
Total stockholders' equity		1,082,488		1,036,
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See notes to consolidated financial statements

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TIFFANY & CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES
CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF EARNINGS
(Unaudited)
(in thousands, except per share amounts)

	Three Months Ended April 30,	
	2002	2001
Net sales	\$ 347,129	\$ 336,401
Cost of sales	140,714	146,261
Gross profit	206,415	190,140
Selling, general and administrative expenses	147,849	140,919
Earnings from operations	58,566	49,221
Other expense (income), net	4,052	(2,047)
Earnings before income taxes	54,514	51,268
Provision for income taxes	21,805	20 <b>,</b> 506
Net earnings		\$ 30,762
Net earnings per share:		
Basic	\$ 0.22 =======	\$ 0.21
Diluted	\$ 0.22	\$ 0.20
Weighted average number of common shares:		
Basic Diluted	145,434 150,181	145,915 151,304

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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# TIFFANY & CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS (Unaudited) (in thousands)

		onths End
	2002	
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Net earnings	\$ 32,709	\$
Adjustments to reconcile net earnings to net cash provided by (used in) operating activities:		
Depreciation and amortization	18,014	
Loss (gain) on equity investments	384	
Provision for uncollectible accounts	368	
Provision for inventories	2,475	
Tax benefit from exercise of stock options	6,915	
Deferred income taxes	(3,203)	
Loss on disposal of fixed assets	33	
Provision for postretirement/employment benefits	1,333	
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
Accounts receivable	755	
Inventories	(34,426)	
Prepaid expenses and other current assets	(10,130)	
Other assets, net	(462)	
Accounts payable	5,647	
Accrued liabilities	2,935	
Income taxes payable	(21,960)	
Merchandise and other customer credits	(607)	
Other long-term liabilities	 1,279	
Not such provided by (used in) energing activities	2 050	
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	 2,059 	
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Capital expenditures	(32, 133)	
Proceeds from lease incentives	2,570	
Net cash used in investing activities	 (29 <b>,</b> 563)	
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
(Repayment of) proceeds from short-term borrowings, net	(6)	
Repurchase of Common Stock Proceeds from exercise of stock options	2,850	

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Cash and cash equivalents at end of three months	\$	145,265	\$
Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year		(28,410) 173,675	
Effect of exchange rate changes on cash and cash equivalents		2 <b>,</b> 069	
Net cash used in financing activities		(2,975)	
Cash dividends on Common Stock		(5,819)	

See notes to consolidated financial statements.

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# TIFFANY & CO. AND SUBSIDIARIES NOTES TO CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (Unaudited)

# 1. CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying consolidated financial statements include the accounts of Tiffany & Co. and all majority-owned domestic and foreign subsidiaries (the "Company"). Intercompany accounts, transactions and profits have been eliminated in consolidation. The interim statements are unaudited and, in the opinion of management, include all adjustments (which include only normal recurring adjustments including the adjustment necessary as a result of the use of the LIFO(last-in, first-out) method of inventory valuation, which is based on assumptions as to inflation rates and projected fiscal year-end inventory levels) necessary to present fairly the Company's financial position as of April 30, 2002 and the results of its operations and cash flows for the interim periods presented. The consolidated balance sheet data for January 31, 2002 are derived from the audited financial statements which are included in the Company's report on Form 10-K, which should be read in connection with these financial statements. In accordance with the rules of the Securities and Exchange Commission, these financial statements do not include all disclosures required by generally accepted accounting principles.

Certain reclassifications were made to prior years' note disclosures to conform to the current year's presentation.

Since the Company's business is seasonal, with a higher proportion of sales and earnings generated in the last quarter of the fiscal year, the results of its operations for the three months ended April 30, 2002 and 2001 are not necessarily indicative of the results of the entire fiscal year.

# 2. SUPPLEMENTAL CASH FLOW INFORMATION

Cash paid during the year for:

(in thousands)	April 30, 2002	April 30, 2001
Interest	\$ 1 <b>,</b> 767	\$ 1,768
Income taxes	\$38,947	\$44,882
Supplemental Noncash Investing and Financing Activities:  (in thousands)		
Issuance of Common Stock for the Employee Profit Sharing and Retirement Savings Plan	\$ 1,000 ======	\$ 2,800 ======

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# 3. INVENTORIES

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(in thousands)	April 30, 2002	January 31, 2002	April 30, 2001
Finished goods	\$539,423	\$528 <b>,</b> 671	\$546 <b>,</b> 024
Raw materials	86,755	67 <b>,</b> 779	66,188
Work-in-process	30,716	18,722	57,776
	656 <b>,</b> 894	615,172	669,988
Reserves	(3,812)	(3,519)	(4,095)
	\$653,082	\$611,653	\$665,893

LIFO-based inventories at April 30, 2002, January 31, 2002 and April 30, 2001 were \$514,523,000, \$481,716,000 and \$545,007,000, with the current cost exceeding the LIFO inventory value by approximately \$19,471,000, \$18,971,000 and \$18,205,000 at the end of each period. The LIFO valuation method had no effect on net earnings per diluted share for the three month period ended April 30, 2002 and had the effect of decreasing net earnings per diluted share by \$0.01 in the three month period ended April 30, 2001.

## 4. NEW ACCOUNTING STANDARDS

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In July 2001, the Financial Accounting Standards Board ("FASB") issued Statement of Financial Accounting Standards ("SFAS") No. 142, "Accounting for Goodwill and Other Intangible Assets." SFAS No. 142 requires that goodwill and certain other intangible assets no longer be amortized to earnings. In addition, the Company will be required to review goodwill and certain other intangible assets annually for potential impairment. With respect to goodwill amortization, the Company adopted SFAS No. 142 effective February 1, 2002. The result of the application of the non-amortization provisions of SFAS No. 142 for goodwill was not significant for the three months ended April 30, 2002. At April 30, 2002, the Company had goodwill of \$10,520,000. During the second quarter of 2002, the Company will complete its test for goodwill impairment and, if impairment is indicated, record such impairment as a cumulative effect of an accounting change effective February 1, 2002. The Company does not expect the results of the impairment test to have a significant impact on the Company's financial position, earnings or cash flows.

In September 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 143, "Accounting for Asset Retirement Obligations," which addresses the accounting and financial reporting for legal obligations and costs associated with the retirement of tangible long-lived assets. The provisions of SFAS No. 143 will be effective for the Company's financial statements for the fiscal year beginning February 1, 2003. The Company does not expect the adoption of this standard to have a significant impact on its financial position, earnings or cash flows.

In October 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," which addresses the accounting for impairment or disposal of long-lived assets and discontinued operations. On February 1, 2002, the Company adopted this standard and its application had no significant impact on its financial position, earnings or cash flows.

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### 5. FINANCIAL HEDGING INSTRUMENTS

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Effective February 1, 2001, the Company adopted SFAS No. 133, "Accounting for Derivative Instruments and Hedging Activities," as amended by SFAS No. 138, "Accounting for Certain Derivative Instruments and Certain Hedging Activities." The adoption of SFAS No. 133 resulted in the Company recording transition adjustments in the first quarter of 2001 to recognize its derivative instruments at fair market value. The cumulative effect of these transition adjustments was recorded to cost of sales and amounted to \$1,653,000, which reduced net earnings by \$975,000, net of income taxes, and an increase to accumulated comprehensive earnings of \$3,773,000, net of income taxes of \$2,622,000.

Hedging activity affected accumulated other comprehensive (loss) gain, net of income taxes as follows:

Three Months Ended April 30,

(in thousands)	2002	2001
Balance at beginning of period	\$6 <b>,</b> 515	\$ -
Impact of adoption	_	3,773
Derivative gains transferred to		
earnings	(1,890)	(449)
Change in fair value	(1,976)	3,214
	\$2 <b>,</b> 649	\$6 <b>,</b> 538
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The Company expects \$3,432,000 of derivative gains included in accumulated other comprehensive income to be reclassified into earnings within the next twelve months. This amount may vary due to fluctuations in the yen exchange rate.

The maximum term over which the Company is hedging its exposure to the variability of future cash flows (for all forecasted transactions, excluding interest payments on variable-rate debt) is twelve months.

# 6. EARNINGS PER SHARE

Basic earnings per share is computed as net earnings divided by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding for the period. Diluted earnings per share includes the dilutive effect of the assumed exercise of stock options.

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The following table summarizes the reconciliation of the numerators and denominators for the basic and diluted earnings per share ("EPS") computations:

	Three Month	Three Months Ended	
	April	April 30,	
(in thousands)	2002	2001	

Net earnings for basic

and diluted EPS	\$32 <b>,</b> 709	\$30,762 ========
Weighted average shares for basic EPS	145,434	145,915
Incremental shares from assumed exercise of stock options	4,747	5 <b>,</b> 389
Weighted average shares for diluted EPS	150,181	151,304 =======

At April 30, 2002 and 2001, there were 1,717,000 and 3,191,000 stock options excluded from the computations of earnings per diluted share due to their antidilutive effect.

# 7. COMPREHENSIVE EARNINGS

Comprehensive earnings include all changes in equity during a period except those resulting from investments by and distributions to stockholders. The Company's foreign currency translation adjustments, reported separately in stockholders' equity, are required to be included in the determination of comprehensive earnings.

The components of comprehensive earnings were:

	Three Months Ended April 30,	
(in thousands)	2002	2001
<pre>Net earnings Other comprehensive   gain (loss):</pre>	\$32,709	\$30,762
Cash flow hedging instruments (net of taxes of \$2,081 and \$4,544) Foreign currency	(3,866)	6,538
translation adjustments	8,427	(10,687)
Comprehensive earnings	\$37 <b>,</b> 270	\$26,613 =======

Foreign currency translation adjustments are not adjusted for income taxes since they relate to investments that are permanent in nature.

# 8. SEGMENT INFORMATION

The Company operates its business in three reportable segments: U.S. Retail, International Retail and Direct Marketing (see Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations for an overview of the Company's business). The Company's reportable segments represent channels of distribution that offer similar merchandise and service and have similar marketing and distribution strategies. In deciding how to allocate resources and assess performance, the Company's Executive Officers regularly evaluate the performance of its reportable segments on the basis of net sales and earnings from operations, after the elimination of intersegment sales and transfers.

Certain information relating to the Company's reportable operating segments is set forth below:

Three	Months	Ended
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(in thousands)		2002		2001
Net sales:				
U.S. Retail	\$	165 <b>,</b> 670	\$	159,012
International Retail		147,638		146,423
Direct Marketing		33,821		30,966
	\$	347,129	\$	336,401
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Earnings from operations*:				
U.S. Retail	\$	34,661	\$	34,564
International Retail		47,073		38,487
Direct Marketing		4,934		2 <b>,</b> 159
	\$	86,668	\$	75,210
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<sup>\*</sup> Represents earnings from operations before unallocated corporate expenses and interest and other expenses, net.

Executive Officers of the Company evaluate the performance of the Company's assets on a consolidated basis. Therefore, separate financial information for the Company's assets on a segment basis is not available.

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The following table sets forth a reconciliation of the reportable segments' earnings from operations to the Company's consolidated earnings before income taxes:

# Three Months Ended April 30,

(in thousands)		2002		2001
Earnings from operations for reportable segments Unallocated corporate expenses Other expense (income), net	\$	86,668 28,102 4,052	\$	75,210 25,989 (2,047)
Earnings before income taxes	 \$ =====	54,514 =======	 \$ ===	51,268

# 9. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS

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On May 16, 2002, the Company's Board of Directors declared a quarterly dividend of \$0.04 per common share. This dividend will be paid on July 10, 2002 to stockholders of record on June 20, 2002.

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- PART I. Financial Information
- Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of
   Financial Condition and Results of Operations

#### RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

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#### Overview

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The Company operates three channels of distribution. U.S. Retail includes retail sales in Company-operated stores in the U.S. International Retail primarily includes retail sales in Company-operated stores and boutiques in markets outside the U.S., as well as a limited amount of business-to-business sales, Internet sales and wholesale sales to independent retailers and distributors in certain of those markets. Direct Marketing includes business-to-business, catalog and Internet sales in the U.S.

All references to years relate to the fiscal year that ends on January 31 of the following calendar year.

In the three months (first quarter) ended April 30, 2002, net sales rose 3% to \$347,129,000. The Company's reported sales reflect either a translation-related benefit from strengthening foreign currencies or a detriment from a strengthening U.S. dollar. Most significantly, the Japanese yen in the first quarter was weaker than in 2001. Therefore, on a constant-exchange-rate basis, net sales increased 6% and worldwide comparable store sales increased 1%. Net earnings increased 6% to \$32,709,000 in the first quarter.

The following table highlights certain operating data as a percentage of net sales:

		Three Months Ended April 30,	
	2002	2001	
Net sales Cost of sales	100.0% 40.5	100.0% 43.5	
Gross profit Selling, general	59.5	56.5	

and administrative expenses	42.6	41.9
Earnings from operations Other expenses, net	16.9 1.2	14.6
Earnings before income taxes Provision for income taxes	15.7 6.3	15.2 6.1
Net earnings	9.4%	9.1%

Net Sales

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Net sales by channel of distribution were as follows:

		Months April 30,
(in thousands)	2002	2001
U.S. Retail International Retail Direct Marketing	\$165,670 147,638 33,821	\$159,012 146,423 30,966
	\$347 <b>,</b> 129	\$336,401

U.S. Retail sales rose 4% in the first quarter. Comparable store sales increased 2%. Sales in the flagship New York store declined 1% in the  $$\rm -12-$ 

first quarter, while comparable branch store sales rose 2%. There were an increased number of retail transactions, but management believes that smaller average transaction sizes resulted from challenging economic and retail conditions. In addition, sales to foreign tourists were below the prior year.

International Retail sales rose 1% in the first quarter (8% on a constant-exchange-rate basis). In Japan, total retail sales in local currency rose 7% in the first quarter due to an increased average price per unit sold partly offset by a decline in unit volume; comparable store sales in local currency declined 1%. In non-U.S. markets outside of Japan, comparable store sales in the first quarter on a constant-exchange-rate basis increased 5% in the Asia-Pacific region and declined 5% in Europe.

In the first quarter, the Company opened two department-store boutiques in Japan. The expansion plan for 2002 includes: in the U.S., new stores in Bellevue, Washington (opened in May 2002), East Hampton, New York, Orlando, Florida, St. Louis, Missouri and Honolulu, Hawaii (but will close two small hotel-boutiques); internationally, opening locations in both Korea and Taiwan. In total, worldwide retail gross square footage is expected to increase at least 5% in 2002.

In 2001, the Company signed new distribution agreements with Mitsukoshi Ltd. of Japan ("Mitsukoshi"), whereby TIFFANY & CO. boutiques will continue to operate within Mitsukoshi's stores in Japan until at least January 31, 2007. Prior agreements expired in 2001. The new agreements largely continue the principles

on which Mitsukoshi and Tiffany have been cooperating since 1993, when the relationship was last renegotiated. The main agreement, which will expire on January 31, 2007, covers the continued operation of 24 TIFFANY & CO. boutiques. A separate set of agreements covers the operation of a freestanding TIFFANY & CO. store on Tokyo's Ginza. Under the new agreements, the Company is not restricted from further expansion of its Tokyo operations. Under the main agreement, the Company pays to Mitsukoshi a reduced percentage fee based on certain sales. There will be a greater reduction in fees paid to Mitsukoshi in 2003 and beyond, as the Company employs increasing numbers of its own personnel in the boutiques.

Direct Marketing sales increased 9% in the first quarter. Business Sales division sales declined 11% due to a decline in the average size per order. Combined catalog/Internet sales increased 37% due to strong growth in Internet sales that primarily resulted from a higher number of orders.

#### Gross Profit

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Gross profit as a percentage of net sales ("gross margin") in the first quarter was higher than the prior year. Management attributes the increase primarily to a shift in sales mix toward lower-priced items that carry a higher gross margin, as well as improved efficiencies in product manufacturing and sourcing and selective price increases.

The Company's hedging program uses yen put options to stabilize product costs in Japan over the short-term despite exchange rate fluctuations, and the Company adjusts its retail prices in Japan from time to time to address longer-term changes in the yen/dollar relationship and local competitive pricing. Management's ongoing strategy and objectives include achieving further product manufacturing/sourcing efficiencies,

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leveraging its fixed costs and implementing selective price adjustments in order to maintain the Company's gross margin at, or above, prior year levels. For the remainder of the year, management expects a quarterly year-over-year increase in gross margin, but to a lesser extent than in the first quarter.

# Selling, General and Administrative Expenses ("SG&A")

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SG&A increased 5% in the first quarter. Incremental depreciation and staffing expenses related to the Company's overall worldwide expansion were partly offset by lower sales-related variable expenses. In addition, the rate of SG&A growth was moderated by the translation effect resulting from a weaker yen. As a percentage of net sales, SG&A rose in the first quarter, but management's longer-term objective is to reduce this ratio by leveraging anticipated improved rates of sales growth against the Company's fixed-expense base.

# Other Expense (Income), Net

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Other expense (income), net in the first quarter was higher than the prior year partly due to lower interest income on cash and cash equivalents. Other expense (income), net in the first quarter of 2001 included a pretax gain of \$5,257,000, based on the Company's equity interest in Aber Diamond Corporation ("Aber"), a publicly-traded company headquartered in Canada, which sold its interest in the Snap Lake Project to De Beers Canada Mining, Inc. in February 2001.

#### Provision for Income Taxes

The Company's effective tax rate was 40.0% in the first quarter of both 2002 and 2001.

#### New Accounting Standards

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In October 2001, the FASB issued SFAS No. 144, "Accounting for the Impairment or Disposal of Long-Lived Assets," which addresses the accounting for impairment or disposal of long-lived assets and discontinued operations. On February 1, 2002, the Company adopted this standard and its application had no significant impact on its financial position, earnings or cash flows.

#### FINANCIAL CONDITION

### Liquidity and Capital Resources

The Company's liquidity needs have been, and are expected to remain, primarily a function of its seasonal working capital requirements and capital expenditure needs, which have increased due to the Company's expansion.

The Company achieved a net cash inflow from operating activities of \$2,059,000 in the three months ended April 30, 2002 compared with an outflow of \$26,834,000 in the prior year. The improvement in cash flow was primarily due to a decreased use of working capital.

Working capital (current assets less current liabilities) and the corresponding current ratio (current assets divided by current liabilities) were \$647,658,000 and 3.0:1 at April 30, 2002 compared with \$612,978,000 and 2.8:1 at January 31,

2002 and \$658,312,000 and 3.2:1 at April 30, 2001.

Accounts receivable at April 30, 2002 were 2% above January 31, 2002 and 7% above April 30, 2001, primarily due to increased sales.

Inventories at April 30, 2002 were 7% above January 31, 2002. Higher finished goods were needed to support new stores and expanded product offerings, while higher raw material and work-in-process inventories support the Company's strategy to further expand its internal manufacturing activities. Inventories were 2% below April 30, 2001. Management expects that inventory levels in 2002 will increase to support anticipated sales growth, new stores and product introductions that include a new collection of watches.

The Company's ongoing inventory objectives are: to refine worldwide replenishment systems; to focus on the specialized disciplines of product development, category management and sales demand forecasting; to improve presentation and management of inventories in each store; and to improve warehouse management and supply-chain logistics.

Capital expenditures of \$32,133,000 in the three months ended April 30, 2002 were below \$38,273,000 in the prior year primarily due to differences in the timing of projects. Expenditures for 2002 are expected to be in a range of \$175,000,000-\$200,000,000, which approximates 2001. Capital expenditures in 2002 will support the opening, renovation and expansion of stores and distribution facilities, as well as ongoing investments in new systems. In 2001, the Company commenced construction of a 266,000 square foot customer fulfillment/distribution center ("CFC") in Hanover Township, New Jersey that will fulfill shipments to retail, catalog, Internet and business sales customers. Upon completion of the CFC, the Company's existing customer service/distribution center ("CSC") in Parsippany, New Jersey will be used primarily to replenish store inventories. The CFC is scheduled to open in late-2003 and the Company estimates that the

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overall cost of that project will be approximately \$98,500,000, of which \$31,910,000 has been incurred to date. In 2000, the Company began a four-year project to renovate and reconfigure its New York flagship store in order to increase the total sales area by approximately 25%, and to provide additional space for customer service, customer hospitality and special exhibitions. The new second floor opened in November 2001 and provides an expanded presentation of engagement and other jewelry. In addition, in conjunction with the New York store project, the Company relocated its after-sales service functions to a new location and relocated several of its administrative functions. The Company has spent approximately \$41,467,000 to date for the New York store and related projects. Based on current plans, the Company estimates that the overall cost of these projects will be approximately \$85,000,000.

In 2001, the Company made an equity investment in Little Switzerland Inc., a publicly-traded company headquartered in the U.S. Virgin Islands, by purchasing 7,410,000 newly-issued unregistered shares of common stock, which represented approximately 45% of Little Switzerland's shares, at a cost of \$9,546,000. The Company also provided a loan of \$2,500,000.

In 1999, the Company made a strategic investment in Aber by purchasing 8 million

unregistered shares of its common stock, which represents approximately 14.7% of Aber's outstanding shares, at a cost of \$70,636,000. Aber holds a 40% interest in the Diavik Diamonds Project in Canada's Northwest Territories, an operation being developed to mine gem-quality diamonds. Production is expected to commence in the first half of 2003. In addition, the Company has formed a joint venture and has entered into a diamond purchase agreement with Aber. It is expected that this commercial relationship will enable the Company to secure a considerable portion of its future diamond needs.

In September 2000, the Board of Directors extended the Company's original stock repurchase program until November 2003. The program was initially authorized in November 1997 for the repurchase of up to \$100,000,000 of the Company's Common Stock in the open market over a three-year period. That authorization was superseded in September 2000 by a further authorization of repurchases of up to \$100,000,000 of the Company's Common Stock in the open market. The timing and actual number of shares repurchased depend on a variety of factors such as price and other market conditions. The Company did not repurchase any shares of Common Stock in the three months ended April 30, 2002. At April 30, 2002, \$58,622,000 remains available for future share repurchases.

The Company's \$51,500,000 of 7.52% Senior Notes are due January 31, 2003. In order to provide funds for the redemption of these Senior Notes, as well as for general corporate purposes, the Company is currently working toward a placement of \$100,000,000 of Senior Notes to private investors. The notes would be due 2009 and 2012 with seven-year and 10-year lump sum repayments upon maturities.

Management anticipates that internally-generated cash flows, funds available under a multicurrency revolving credit facility ("Credit Facility") and the completion of the Senior Notes offering will be sufficient to support the Company's planned worldwide business

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expansion and seasonal working capital increases that are typically required during the third and fourth quarters of the year.

The Company's sources of working capital are internally-generated cash flows and borrowings available under the Credit Facility. In November 2001, the Credit Facility was amended to increase the amount from \$160,000,000 to \$200,000,000 and the number of banks from five to six. The Credit Facility entitles the Company to borrow \$38,750,000 on a pro-rata basis from each of three banks, \$25,000,000 from one bank, \$15,000,000 from another bank and \$43,750,000 from an agent bank. All borrowings are at interest rates based on a prime rate or a reserve-adjusted LIBOR and are affected by local borrowing conditions. The Credit Facility expires in November 2006.

Net-debt (short-term borrowings plus the current portion of long-term debt plus long-term debt less cash and cash equivalents) and the corresponding ratio of net-debt as a percentage of total capital (net-debt plus stockholders' equity) were \$130,205,000 and 11% at April 30, 2002, compared with \$97,292,000 and 9% at January 31, 2002 and \$145,379,000 and 13% at April 30, 2001.

The Company's contractual cash obligations and commercial commitments at April 30, 2002 and the effects such obligations and commitments are expected to have on the Company's liquidity and cash flows in future periods have not significantly changed since January 31, 2002.

Market Risk

The Company is exposed to market risk from fluctuations in foreign currency exchange rates and interest rates, which could affect its consolidated financial position, results of operations and cash flows. The Company manages its exposure to market risk through its regular operating and financing activities and, when deemed appropriate, through the use of derivative financial instruments. The Company uses derivative financial instruments as risk management tools and not for trading or speculative purposes, and does not maintain such instruments that may expose the Company to significant market risk.

The Company uses foreign currency-purchased put options, primarily yen, and, to a lesser extent, foreign-exchange forward contracts to minimize the impact of a significant strengthening of the U.S. dollar on foreign currency-denominated transactions. Gains or losses on these instruments substantially offset losses or gains on the assets, liabilities and transactions being hedged. Management does not foresee nor expect any significant changes in foreign currency exposure in the near future.

The Company also manages its fixed-rate debt liability to reduce its exposure to interest rate changes. The fair value of the Company's fixed-rate long-term debt is sensitive to interest rate changes. Interest rate changes would result in gains (losses) in the market value of this debt due to differences between market interest rates and rates at the inception of the debt obligation. The Company uses an interest-rate swap to manage its yen-denominated floating-rate long-term debt in order to reduce the impact of interest rate changes on earnings and cash flows and to lower overall borrowing costs. Management neither foresees nor expects significant changes in exposure to interest rate fluctuations, nor in market risk-management practices.

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#### Seasonality

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As a jeweler and specialty retailer, the Company's business is seasonal in nature, with the fourth quarter typically representing a proportionally greater percentage of annual sales, earnings from operations and cash flow. Management expects such seasonality to continue.

#### Risk Factors

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This document contains certain "forward-looking statements" concerning the Company's objectives and expectations with respect to store openings, retail prices, gross profit, expenses, inventory performance, capital expenditures and cash flow. In addition, management makes other forward-looking statements from time to time concerning objectives and expectations. As a jeweler and specialty retailer, the Company's success in achieving its objectives and expectations is partially dependent upon economic conditions, competitive developments and consumer attitudes. However, certain assumptions are specific to the Company and/or the markets in which it operates. The following assumptions, among others, are "risk factors" which could affect the likelihood that the Company will achieve the objectives and expectations communicated by management: (i) that low or negative growth in the economy or in the financial markets, particularly in the U.S. and Japan, will not occur and reduce discretionary spending on goods that are, or are perceived to be, "luxuries"; (ii) that consumer spending does not decline substantially during the fourth quarter of any year; (iii) that the events of September 11, 2001 and subsequent military operations, as well as unsettled global political and economic conditions, do

not result in long-term disruptions to, or a slowing of, tourist travel; (iv) that sales in Japan will not decline substantially; (v) that there will not be a substantial adverse change in the exchange relationship between the Japanese yen and the U.S. dollar; (vi) that Mitsukoshi and other department store operators in Japan, in the face of declining or stagnant department store sales, will not close or consolidate stores in which TIFFANY & CO. boutiques are located; (vii) that Mitsukoshi's ability to continue as a leading department store operator in Japan will continue; (viii) that existing product supply arrangements, including license arrangements with third-party designers Elsa Peretti and Paloma Picasso, will continue; (ix) that the wholesale market for high-quality cut diamonds will provide continuity of supply and pricing; (x) that the investment in Aber achieves its financial and strategic objectives; (xi) that new systems, particularly for inventory management, can be successfully integrated into the Company's operations; (xii) that warehousing and distribution productivity and capacity can be further improved to support the Company's worldwide distribution requirements; and (xiii) that new stores and other sales locations can be leased or otherwise obtained on suitable terms in desired markets and that construction can be completed on a timely basis.

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#### PART II OTHER INFORMATION

ITEM 6 Exhibits and Reports on Form 8-K

- (a) Exhibits
- 10.126a First Amendment and Waiver Agreement to Form of Note Purchase Agreement referred to in previously filed Exhibit 10.126, dated May 16, 2002.
- 10.130a Amendment No. 1 to Credit Agreement referred to in previously filed Exhibit 10.130, dated April 12, 2002.
- (b) Reports on Form 8-K

On February 28, 2002, Registrant issued a press release announcing its sales and earnings for the fourth quarter and fiscal year ended January 31, 2002.

On April 25, 2002, Registrant issued a press release providing a business update for its first quarter that ends on April 30.

On May 14, 2002, Registrant issued a press release reporting sales and earnings were up in the first quarter that ended April 30, 2002.

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#### SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly authorized.

TIFFANY & CO.
(Registrant)

Date: June 7, 2002 By: /s/ James N. Fernandez

James N. Fernandez Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer (principal financial officer)

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