

Interim Report Q1

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Q1 2004 in brief

- Sales SEK 3,813 m (4,033)
- Net income SEK 205 m (119)
- Earnings per share SEK 1.92 (1.12)
- Order bookings SEK 4,223 m (6,316)
- Order backlog amounts to SEK 46 bn
- Operating income SEK 305 m (226)
- Income after financial items SEK 303 m (178)
- Continued reduction of personnel



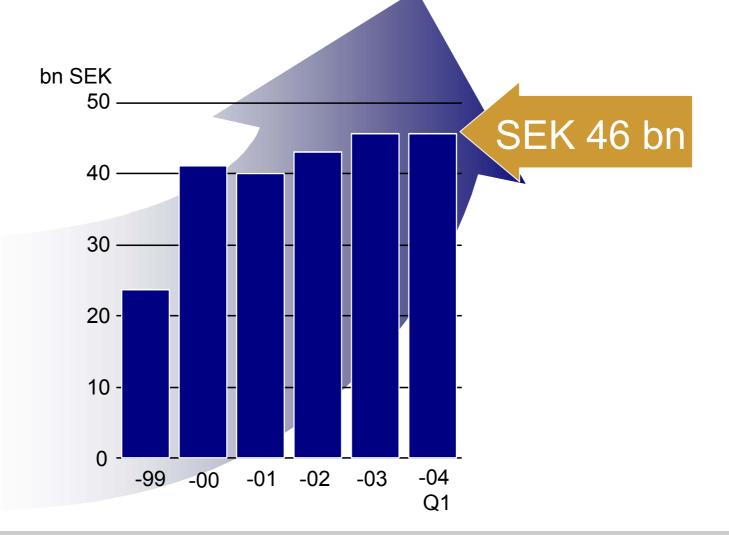


Highlights Jan-March 2004

- RAKEL radio communications network for swedish public safety authorities. SEK ~500 m
- Missile System for the German Navy. SEK 120 m
- IRIS-T contract value EUR 12.5 m
- Maintenance and support of combat training system in Finland. SEK 165 m
- Definition of next generation of underwater systems – TMS. SEK 100 m
- Two Saab 340 to Swedish Defence Materiel Administration (FMV)
- Three orders for Space slight overall market improvement
- Acquisitions approved Grintek and EURENCO
- Continued reduction of personnel



Order backlog remains high

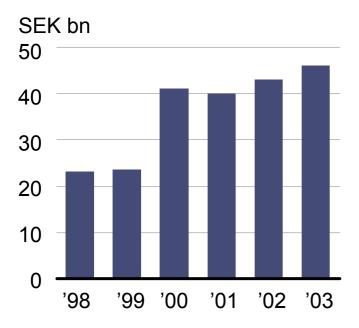




Strong order backlog



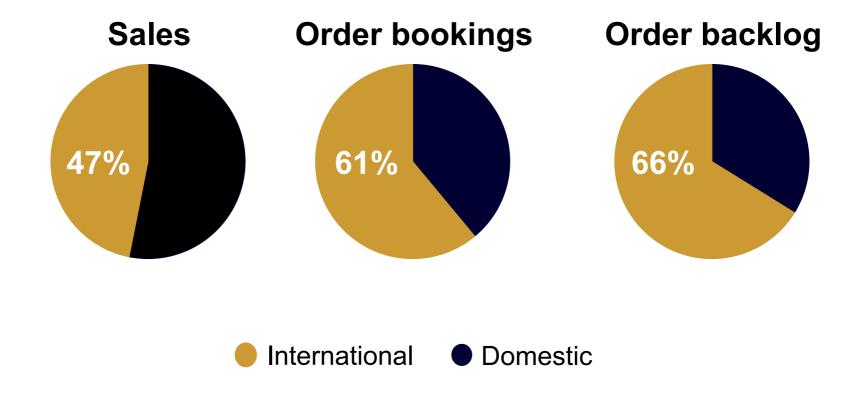
Organic sales growth +5% per annum



- High order backlog, SEK 46 bn
- Order backlog includes:
 - Gripen, Sweden and exports
 - Design Rules for Sweden's new Network-Based Defence
 - TMS, sonar and EW systems and fuselage for helicopters
 - Airbus A380, A320/340
 - Command and control systems, Display system (avionics), Electronic warfare
 - Combat training centers and laser simulators
 - Air defence and Anti-armour systems
 - Torpedo systems and Anti-ship missiles
 - Ultra light Camouflage Net systems

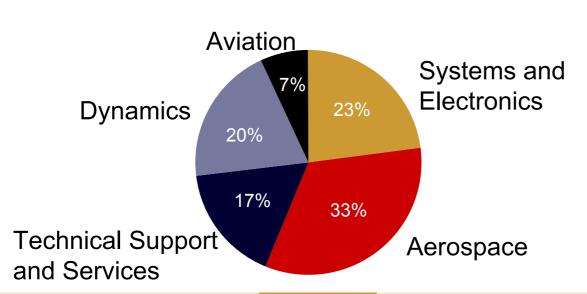


Increasing share of exports, Q1 2004





Sales by business area



	3 months	3 months	12 months
	2004	2003	2003
Sales, SEK m.	3,813	4,033	17,250
EBIT, SEK m.	305	226	1,293
Operating margin, per cent	8.0	5.6	7.5
No. of employees, total	12,998	13,807	13,414



Non-defence

20%

80%

Defence



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Order bookings and order backlog

	Order 3 r	Order backlog	
SEK millions	2004	2003	March 31, 2004
Systems and Electronics	781	931	9,108
Aerospace	1,580	3,033	27,433
Technical Support			
and Services	988	877	1,223
Dynamics	747	1.134	9,747
Aviation Services	297	505	375
Corporate/			
Other operations	5	77	55
Internal	-175	-241	-2,190
Saab Group	4,223	6,316	45,751



Sales

SEK millions	3 months 2004	3 months 2003	Change	12 months 2003
Systems and Electronics	959	925	4%	4,677
Aerospace	1.272	1,294	-2%	5,775
Technical Support				
and Services	719	732	-2%	3,032
Dynamics	795	882	-10%	3,113
Aviation Services	276	267	3%	1,095
Corporate/				
Other operations	5	98		407
Internal	-213	-165		-849
Saab Group	3,813	4,033	-5%	17,250



Operating income EBIT

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SEK millions	2004	margin	2003	margin	2003	margin
Systems and Electronics	33	3.4%	55	5.9%	327	7.0%
Aerospace	138	10.8%	158	12.2%	558	9.7%
Technical Supp & Serv	60	8.3%	55	7.5%	232	7.7%
Dynamics	69	8.7%	-36	neg	172	5.5%
Aviation Services	18	6.5%	19	7.1%	87	7.9%
Corporate/Other op.	-13	N/a	-25	N/a	-83	N/a
Saab Group	305	8.0%	226	5.6%	1,293	7.5%



Operating income

SEK millions	3 mont 2004	hs <i>margin</i>	3 mo 2003	nths <i>margin</i>
Defence	300	8.5%	232	6.3%
Aviation Serv	18	6.5%	19	7.1%
Corporate/Other op.	-13		-25	
Total	305	8.0%	226	5.6%



Income statement

SEK millions	3 months 2004	3 months 2003	12 months 2003
Sales	3,813	4,033	17,250
Cost of goods sold	-2,920	-3,070	-12,997
Gross margin	893	963	4,253
Gross margin	23.4%	23.9%	24.7%
Marketing expenses	-314	-305	-1,250
Administrative expenses	-218	-256	-983
Research and development costs	-78	-97	-414
Other operating income	23	18	157
Other operating expenses	-14	-95	-517
Share in income of			
associated companies	13	-2	47
Operating income	305	226	1,293
Operating margin	8.0%	5.6%	7.5%
Result from financial investments	-2	-48	-220
Income after financial items	303	178	1,073
Taxes	-95	-57	-315
Minority interest	-3	-2	-12
Net income	205	119	746
Earnings per share, SEK	1.92	1.12	7.00



Balance sheet

SEK millions	March 31, 2004	Jan. 1, 2004	Change
Assets			
Goodwill and other intangible assets	2,534	2,497	37
Property, plant and equipment, etc.	4,047	4,230	-183
Lease assets	4,965	5,038	-73
Long-term interest bearing receivables	805	765	40
Shares, etc	639	415	224
Deferred tax receivables	941	981	-40
Inventories, etc.	4,356	4,133	223
Short-term interest bearing receivables	98	39	59
Other receivables	5,569	6,363	-794
Cash and marketable securities	3,624	4,243	-619
Total assets	27,578	28,704	-1,126
Shareholders' equity and liabilities			
Shareholders' equity	7,349	7,086	263
Minority interest in subsidiaries	92	147	-55
Provision for pensions	2,901	3,375	-474
Other provisions	2,145	2,234	-89
Liabilities to credit institutions	866	862	4
Convertible debenture loan	232	232	
Lease obligations	2,538	2,597	-59
Advance payments from customers, net	3,593	3,990	-397
Other liabilities	7,862	8,181	-319
Total shareholders' equity and liabilities	27,578	28,704	-1,126
Equity/assets ratio,%	26.6	24.7	



Balance sheet, March 31, 2004, subdivided

SEK millions	Saab	Saab Aircraft Leasing	Elimi- nations	Saab Group
Goodwill and other intangible assets	2,534			2,534
Property, plant and equipment	4,045	2		4,047
Lease assets		4,965		4,965
Long-term interest bearing receivables	805	·		805
Shares, etc	2,139		-1,500	639
Deferred tax receivables	1,232		-291	941
Inventories, etc.	4,351	5		4,356
Short-term interest bearing receivables	98			98
Other receivables	4,698	871		5,569
Cash and marketable securities	3,409	215		3,624
Total assets	23,311	6,058	-1,791	27,578
Shareholders' equity	7,106	1,743	-1,500	7,349
Minority interest in subsidiaries	90	2		92
Provision for pensions	2,901			2,901
Other provisions	1,861	575	-291	2,145
Liabilities to credit institutions	866			866
Convertible debenture loan	232			232
Lease obligations		2,538		2,538
Advance payments from customers, net	3,593			3,593
Other liabilities	6,662	1,200		7,862
Total shareholders' equity & liabilities	23,311	6,058	-1,791	27,578



Cash flow

SEK millions	3 months 2004	3 months 2003	12 months 2003
Cash flow from operating activities			
Income after financial items excl share in			
income of associated companies	303	178	1,073
Adjustments for items not affecting cash flow	261	310	1,170
Tax paid	-16	-5	-57
Cash flow from operating activities			_
before changes in working capital	548	483	2,186
Working capital			
Inventories etc.	-342	-28	-378
Receivables	710	-118	-855
Advance payments from customers	-393	-458	215
Other liabilities	-248	153	875
Lease obligations	-59	-83	-329
Provisions	-76	-12	-366
Change in working capital	-408	-546	-838
Cash flow from operating activities	140	-63	1,348
Investments in intangible fixed assets	-87	-119	-397
Investments in/Sales of shares etc.	-88	2	30
Investments in tangible fixed assets	-78	-111	-472
Investments in lease assets	-2	-4	-37
Sales of intangible and tangible assets	27	24	73
Cash flow from investments	-228	-208	-803
Operating cash flow	-88	-271	545



Cash flow summary

SEK millions	Q1 2004	2003	2002
Operations pre advances Change in advances	437 -393	517 215	598 -419
Operations	44	732	179
Acquisitions/divestments Saab Aircraft Leasing and	-88	42	-80
regional aircraft	-28	-172	-166
Tax paid	-16	-57	-25
Total	-88	545	-92





Outlook

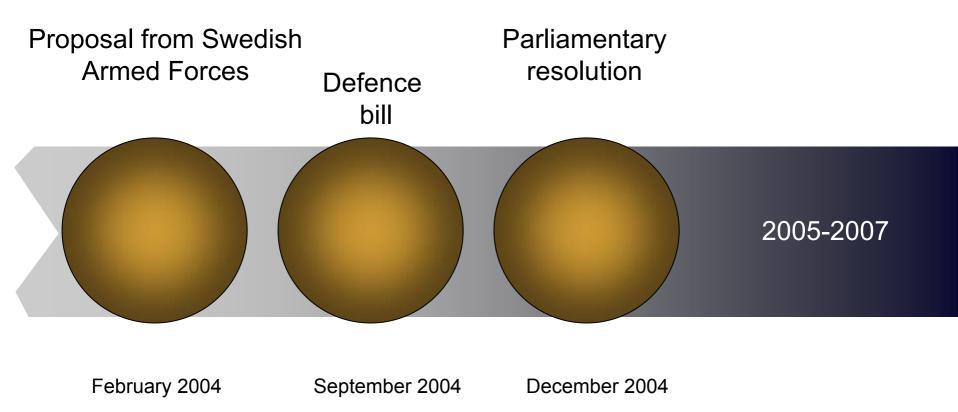
Forecast and important issues 2004

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Defence decision 2004





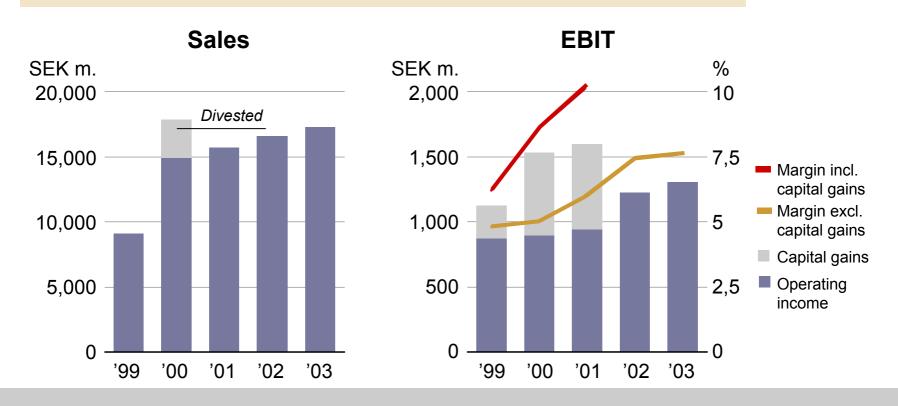
Integration of civil and military technology



Forecast 2004

Top-line in the order of a 5% organic growth

EBIT margin 10% within reach, with caution for further reconstructions





Our strategy stands strong



Home markets

- -development of future systems in international cooperations
- -systems integration
- -technical services



- development in international cooperations
- growth by acquisitons



