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AS Viisnurk is the multibusiness wood processing company with 55-year-long experience.

The primary areas of activity of the company - production of furniture, sports goods and softboards - are based on utilisation of timber. In 2001, a new main area of activity, production of edge-glued panels of soft- and hardwood for furniture and building material industries, will be added to the existing ones.

The supporting activities of the company - procurement of timber and production of sawn timber, production of heat energy, and maintenance and repairs - should first and foremost ensure stable operation of the primary areas of activity, however, the respective services are also provided for external customers.

The business units of the company operate as independent profit centres.

All business units are supported by corporate financial and administrative functions, including financial and management accounting, financing and investing, human resources and risk management, and communications.

MISSION: DIVERSIFIED BENEFICIATION OF TIMBER INTO VARIOUS PRODUCTS TO IMPROVE CUSTOMERS' QUALITY OF LIFE

VISION: TO BE THE BEST WOOD PROCESSING COMPANY IN THE BALTIC REGION

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YEAR IN BRIEF

The business activity of AS Viisnurk increased substantially and performance of the primary areas of activity improved. The net sales of the company boosted by 45.4%, operating profit increased by 72.8% and net profit by 20.7%.

A new business unit - the Wood Panels Factory that will launch production activities in the 1st quarter of 2001 - was established. The total investment in the company was 121.4 million kroons including 81 million kroons invested in the production of edge-glued panels.

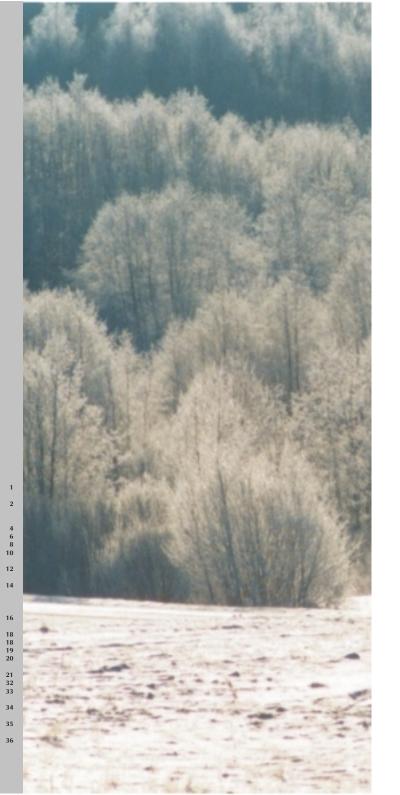
Production activities were launched in the sawmill of the Forestry Centre of the company.

A quality certificate proving the conformity of the quality system with the

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Key indicators	2000	Change %	1999	1998	1997	1996
Vet sales	309,083	45.4	212,570	201,619	200,612	153,857
Operating profit	34,197	72.8	19,787	23,421	25,256	16,163
rofit margin, %	11.1		9.3	11.6	12.6	10.5
let profit	31,628	20.7	26,212	17,589	14,050	8,135
rofit per share	7.03	20.6	5.83	3.93	3.37	2.17
otal assets	331,878	84.6	179,772	157,742	147,582	116,735
eturn on assets, %	12.4		15.5	11.5	10.6	7.8
quity	143,293	28.3	111,665	85,453	66,712	42,845
eturn on equity, %	22.1		23.5	20.6	21.1	19.0
Debt-to-equity ratio, %	57		38	44	55	63







CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW

To be the best wood processing company in the Baltic region - that has been the vision of AS Viisnurk since the year of 2000. Being the best and foremost means constant advancement, development and meeting new challenges. Today, AS Viisnurk is stronger than ever before to achieve active growth.

I believe we have managed to carry out the scheduled activities for 2000, and we have achieved even more than we initially planned. There was progress in the key indicators and market positions of all primary business units as well as their essential product categories.

The main aims of our activities expansion and efficiency in primary business activities to the satisfaction of the owners - were achieved. The most important development project of the year - the establishment of a new business unit, the Wood Panels Factory - was completed in time, and the efficiency of AS Viisnurk as a whole improved owing to the growth in the general efficiency of the primary business activities. Production of edge-glued panels will gear the further growth in the years to come.

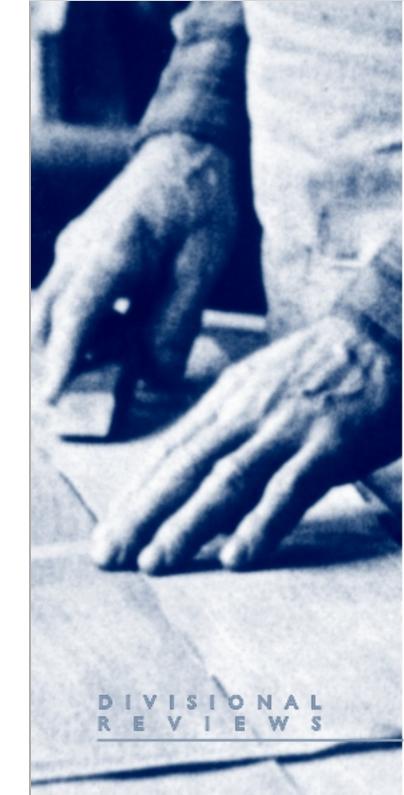
Throughout the year we were developing, launching and improving

According to quantity of pairs of skis produced and sold last year, the Ski Factory is estimated to be the largest producer of cross-country skis in the world. Under the circumstances of a conservative market, we focus on the development of our brands and ensuring the achieved positions. As far as sports goods are concerned, our growth potential for the next year will be based on the investments in the prospective production of hockey sticks.

We experienced the record sales of softboards, however, we should be especially happy with the marketing results of interior finishing boards. The demand for insulation boards stays high due to its properties as a naturally clean product.

AS Viisnurk continued the optimisation process of its supporting activities with the aim of improving the work allocation and enabling each business unit to focus on its specific field and achieve even better results. In the field of heat energy production, we agreed on the principles of joint activities with a strategic co-operation partner who has, among other things, completed a boiler house and supplies AS Viisnurk with heat energy at its new production site. The Forestry Centre launched





FURNITURE

The annual growth in furniture sales exceeded the expected figures. Clearly improved profitability reflected both the growth in sales and improvement in production management that has been paid a lot of attention to during the past years. Net sales increased by 78%. Operating profit was up 3.2 times at 19.2 million kroons.



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Key indicators	2000	1999	Change %
Net sales	121,373	68,214	77.9
% of net sales of AS Viisnurk	39.3	32.1	
Operating profit	19,233	5,948	223.4
% of operating profit of AS Viisnurk	41.2	19.1	
Profit margin, %	15.8	8.7	
Number of employees (31.12.2000)	295	289	2.1
% of employees of AS Viisnurk	31.1	36.2	

The Furniture Factory of AS Viisnurk, the most traditional production unit of the company, is mainly oriented on production of domestic furniture of solid wood as well as laminated chipboard.

The activities of the Furniture Factory continued in two main directions that were equal in volumes: production of furniture designed in-house and performing as a subcontractor. Retrostyle home office furniture was the most important product line.

The success of the factory rests on its specialisation and the investments made with the aim of improving the efficiency thereof. In the course of specialisation, the range of products was tied up and contract work extended; the investments were targeted on improvement of Investments regarding technology were mainly targeted at improving the final finishing processes of furniture. A new staining line that enables implementation of new finishing methods (e.g. alkaline surface processing) in addition to improvement in efficiency was launched. Important technological innovations also included implementation of a new broad-band polishing line and reconditioning of the technological process in the machine processing unit.

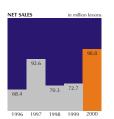
Several projects of process and production management improvement were resumed and new ones initiated. Implementation of the quality management system in accordance with the international quality standard





SPORTS GOODS

Net sales of the Ski Factory grew by 36% as compared to the previous year. Operating profit rose 29% to 11.8 million kroons. AS Viisnurk is estimated to be the largest producer of cross-country skis as to its output of pairs of skis.



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Key indicators	2000	1999	Change %
Net sales	98,828	72,662	36.0
% of net sales of AS Viisnurk	32.0	34.2	
Operating profit	11,847	9,161	29.3
% of operating profit of AS Viisnurk	25.4	29.4	
Profit margin, %	12.0	12.6	
Number of employees (31.12.2000)	308	219	40.6
% of employees of AS Viisnurk	32.4	27.4	

The Ski Factory of AS Viisnurk produces cross-country skis and hockey sticks, and resells summer and winter sports goods.

The volume of ski production that is the primary activity of the division increased by 55% as compared to the previous year, however, the total volume of the global ski market was stable throughout the period. AS Viisnurk significantly increased its market share as a ski producer and manufactured and produced over 300,000 pairs of skis, becoming the world leader among the producers. Improved customer relations, increase in sales in the key markets and extension of its product collection owing to new cap-skis served as the basis for the rise. The volume of the skis sold under the own brand name (Visu) increased, in particular in the category of more expensive racing skis.

The production capacity of hockey sticks was steadily increased and the range of products was expanded, keeping in mind the co-operation with the bulk buyers and breakthrough in the North American market of hockey sticks.

Intermediate trade of sports goods that is mainly targeted at the domestic market continued in three directions, involving full range of skiing and rollerskating equipment and Wilson sports goods.

The factory continued to produce



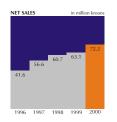
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SOFTBOARDS

The Softboard Factory strengthened its market positions in both product categories. Net sales grew by 14.5% compared to last year and profitability improved. Operating profit increased by 35.7% and totalled 19.4 million kroons.



OPERAT	ING PR	OFIT	in millio	on kroons
				19.4
		12.4	14.3	
	6.7			
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1996	1997	1998	1999	2000

Key indicators	2000	1999	Change %
Net sales	72,252	63,120	14.5
% of net sales of AS Viisnurk	23.4	29.7	
Operating profit	19,362	14,264	35.7
% of operating profit of AS Viisnurk	41.5	45.8	
Profit margin, %	26.8	22.6	
Number of employees (31.12.2000)	97	99	-2.0
% of employees of AS Viisnurk	10.2	12.4	

The Softboard Factory of AS Viisnurk produces woodfibre softboards for insulation and interior finishing purposes.

The growth in sales and efficiency of production activities in 2000 was ensured by active sales promotion, favourable development of target markets, increase in the share of finishing boards as higher value added product category in the output, and successful control of prices of principal production inputs.

The Softboard Factory strengthened its position in the existing markets of insulation boards in spite of the stiffening competition. The demand was geared by the continuous positive trend to utilise natural insulation materials. A novel type of windprotection boards with tongue-andgroove tenons was developed and range of the lsotex boards was extended and the lsotex Quatro ceiling boards with four-edge tongue-andgroove tenons had the greatest share among the product groups. Export amounted to 80% of the sales of finishing boards.

The Softboard Factory sold 35% under its own brands, incl. 100% of the Isotex finishing boards and 30% of the Isoplaat insulation boards. The total output of various boards was 10,800 tons (cf. 8,600 tons in 1999).

Being the first business unit of AS Viisnurk that was awarded a quality certificate as a proof of compliance of its quality system with the international standard ISO 9001 was one of the most important achievements of the Softboard Factory in 2000.

The investments of the Softboard



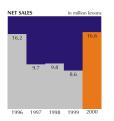






OTHER ACTIVITIES

As compared to the previous year, external net sales of the supporting activities increased by 93,5% and internal net sales by 92,7%. Loss from operations was 3.3 million kroons (cf. profit of 1.8 million kroons in 1999).



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1997 1998 1999 2000

		in t	housand kroon
Key indicators	2000	1999	Change %
External net sales	16,589	8,574	93.5
% of net sales of AS Viisnurk	5.4	4.0	
Net sales between business segments	26,612	13,813	92.7
Operating profit	-3,329	1,764	

The supporting activities of AS Viisnurk included heat energy production, procurement and primary processing of timber in the respective business units of the company and other smallscale activities.

The increase in external and internal net sales of the supporting activities of the company as compared to the previous year results from launching the production activities in the sawmill of the Forestry Centre. The loss from operations was mainly related to putting the sawmill into operation, incl. the costs of maintenance and adjustment of equipment, processing small-volume test orders of various specifications and implementation of a new production territory.

Procurement and primary processing of timber

AS Viisnurk continued to procure timber through its central unit of timber procurement the Forestry Centre. The sawmill, which was acquired at the end of 1999 together with the production territory of 45 ha, was set up with At the end of the year, the company made a decision to import necessary timber in addition to the raw material procured from the domestic market.

External net sales of the Forestry Centre were 11.9 million kroons, export amounted to 22% thereof.

Production of heat energy

The boiler house of the company produced 87.2 GWh (cf. 87.3 GWh in 1999) heat energy, 83.5% thereof (i.e. 72.8 GWh) was consumed internally and 16.5% (i.e. 14.4 GWh) was sold to external consumers. As compared to 1999, consumption of heat energy for production purposes increased by 7.6% and external consumption decreased by 14%.

44,800 scm of wood chips, 10,400 scm of wooden production waste and 73 t of black oil was consumed for heat production. The share of wooden production waste increased due to launching production activities in the sawmill; as a result, less wood chips and black oil was procured. As





THE ENVIRONMENT

With respect to the surrounding environment, AS Viisnurk follows the principles of using environmentally friendly and resource-sparing technology, manufacturing healthy and environmentally friendly products and creating healthy and safe working environment.

			in thousand m				tons
Water consumption balance	2000	1999	Change %	Main pollutants	2000	1999	Change %
Water consumption:	191.5	165.0	16.1	СО	341.4	356.0	-4.1
ground water	70.8	61.6	14.9	Solid particles (boiler house)*	272.8	69.6	292.0
surface water	120.7	103.4	16.7	Emissions of organic substances	59.0	45.4	30.0
Waste of water:	125.4	105.9	18.4	Emissions of organic substances			
provisionally clean water	72.7	63.7	14.1	(boiler house)*	16.4	-	
wastewater	52.7	42.2	24.9	NO	34.1	57.4	-40.6
Water loss	66.1	59.1	11.8	Organic dust	5.3	6.6	-19.7
				Soz	3.7	33.2	-88.9
				Heavy metals	0.2	0.1	100.0
				Total	732.9	568.3	29.0

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Water consumption and wastewater treatment	2000	1999	Change %
Water consumption:	200.0	146.9	36.1
ground water	187.9	138.9	35.3
surface water	12.1	8.0	51.3
Waste of water:	858.0	552.4	55.3
provisionally clean water	-	-	-
wastewater	858.0	552.4	55.3
Total costs	1,058.0	699.3	51.3

		in t	housand kroons
ste treatment	2000	1999	Change %
ment of hazardous waste	57.5	38.4	49.7
ment of ordinary waste	96.8	96.9	-0.1
e pollution tax	31.0	30.9	0.3
ction and transport of waste	665.5	498.9	33.4
costs	850.8	665.1	27.9
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r house	1,103.7	188.1	486.8
of wooden waste	337.6	122.4	175.8
of scrap metal	23.4	42.2	-44.5
provisional income	1,464.7	352.7	315.3



Power consumption

Power consumption normally reflects the volume of activities, i.e. any increase in output results in higher consumption of power. The volume of activities of AS Viisnurk increased 45.4% in 2000, however, the total increase in the consumption of power was just 18.8% and was 23,142 MWh (cf. 19,486 MWh in 1999). Expenditure of power was up 13.6% and amounted to 12.9 million kroons (cf. 11.4 million kroons in 1999). The increased expenditure and consumption of power resulted from launching the activities of the sawmill at the beginning of the year. On the other hand, expenditure of power per product unit decreased in all production units.

Water consumption

In total, AS Viisnurk consumed 191,500 m³ of water for both technological and daily living needs (cf. 165,000 m³ in 1999) - that is 16.1% more than the year before. The quantity of wasted water increased by 18.4%. It is a normal growth as the volume of activities increased 45.4% in the same period. Water was mainly

to improve its quality. The total expenditure of water consumption and wastewater treatment for 2000 was 1.1 million kroons (cf. 0.7 million kroons in 1999). The increase in costs resulted from the increased production volumes as well as from the rise in water price and treatment taxes.

Waste management

The total expenditure of the company on treatment of various waste amounted to 850,800 kroons (cf. 665,100 kroons in 1999), 78.2% thereof was spent on collection and transport of waste. The treatment costs of hazardous waste increased due to bigger production volumes and periodical utilisation of the said waste that was undertaken last year. Although the quantities of ordinary waste decreased (19.2% as compared to 1999), the respective treatment costs per unit remained on the same level. The provisional income from waste treatment surged 4.2 times mainly due to recycling of wooden production waste in the boiler house and increase sales of wooden waste to external consumers, forming 1.46 million



PERSONNEL

AS Viisnurk, one of the biggest employers in the town and county of Pärnu, created 144 new jobs in 2000.

As of 31.12.2000, 950 people were employed in AS Viisnurk. 144 new jobs were created in 2000 (mainly in the Ski Factory and the Forestry Centre that started its activities at the beginning of the year).

Training

117 employees attended various types of training last year. The main emphasis was laid on the professional training of specialists and managers. The training in analysis of management activities and teamwork was the most extensive one among the training courses. A lot of attention was paid to improvement of computer and language skills of the specialists and

Survey of personnel

In the period of 11-16 October, the company conducted the first survey of personnel aimed at determining the level of general satisfaction of employees with their working environment, management, professional collaboration and relations and set goals for supporting the areas where the level of employee satisfaction is the lowest. In 2000, the index of general satisfaction of AS Viisnurk as a whole was 3.94 on a 6point scale.





ACTIVITY REPORT BY THE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Highlights of the Year

In 2000, AS Viisnurk continued successful operation in all its primary business units:

the Furniture Factory (production of domestic furniture);
the Ski Factory (production of cross-

country skis and hockey sticks, resale of sports goods); - the Softboard Factory (production of

insulation and finishing boards). Supporting units include the Forestry Centre (procurement of timber and production of sawn timber), the Boiler House (production of heat energy) and the Technical Services Unit (maintenance and repairs).

The most important event of 2000 was the establishment of the Wood Panels Factory that is scheduled to launch its activities in the 1st quarter of 2001. The Factory specialises in the production of edge-glued panels of soft- and hardwood and furniture components for the furniture and building materials industries. The installed annual output of the Wood Panels Factory is 16,500 m³ of softwood panels, or 5,000 m³ of hardwood panels. In 2000, 81 million kroons were invested in this new production area. The launching of the Wood Panels Factory and the continuous upgrading of the Forestry Centre, which was established in 1999. should ensure timber supply for the other primary business units and contribute substantially to the growth of turnover and profits.

For the whole company, 2000 was a year of process development and streamlining.

- At the end of the year, the Management Board approved the corporate strategic management model that was prepared in co-

Financial Review

2000 was the year of records for AS Viisnurk. The net sales of the company reached the record amount of 309.1m kroons. For the first time, the operating profit amounted to 34.2m kroons, and ret profit 31.6m kroons. The results of fundational states and support of the sales of the profit amounted to 34.2m kroons, and ret profit 31.6m kroons. The results of fundation of the sales of the profit amounted to 34.2m kroons, and the sales of the sales

As compared to 1999, the sales of AS Viisnurk increased by 45.4%, operating profit by 72.8% and net profit by 20.7%. Among the units, the greatest increase in both sales (78%) and profits (3.2 times) was attained at the Furniture Factory.

The profit margin of AS Viisnurk for 2000 was 11.1%, reflecting a 2% increase on 1999. The profit margin improved first and foremost thanks to a flexible response to market opportunities and an increase in production efficiency. The latter was achieved due to the investments of previous periods and sustained improvement of production management. The net profit margin suffered a decline (10,2% vs. 12,3%). However, the substantial increase in the net profit for 1999 (of 8.6m kroons) resulted from changes in the Income Tax Act (the deferred tax liability was **Review of Primary Business**

Units

2000, there was neither extraordinary income nor expense.

As of 31.12.2000, the balance-sheet total of AS Viisnurk was 331.9m

to 121.4m kroons and operating profit to 19.2m kroons. The success of the Furniture Factory results from its reorientation to customers with a growth potential, and modernisation of production by automation of production management and implementation of new technology, which were initiated in the second half of 1999. In 2000, the Furniture Factory invested 14m kroons, mainly in the improvement of final finishing. Exports accounted for 96% of sales.

Ski Factory

In 2000, the sales and operating profit of the Ski Factory amounted to 98.8m kroons (+36% compared to the previous year) and 11.8m kroons (+29% as compared to 1999) respectively. The Ski Factory produced over 300 thousand pairs of crosscountry skis and about 40 thousand hockey sticks. Resale of sports goods accounted for 9.2m kroons of sales. According to the quantity of skis produced in 2000, AS Viisnurk is currently the leading cross-country ski Activities of Supporting Units and

Activities of Supporting Unit Administration

higher price category and promoting the brand. Extensive investments were made in the development of the hockey stick production. These measures should ensure a stable and profitable development of the Factory. Exports amounted to 87% of sales.

Softboard Factory

The sales of the Softboard Factory amounted to 72.3m kroons and operating profit to 19.4m kroons. Sales increased by 14.5% and profit by 36%. This was attained thanks to favourable market developments and successful controlling of the prices of the principal production inputs (heat energy and wood chips). The rise in profitability

Information Technology

In 2000, AS Viisnurk created its corporate website at www.viisnurk.ee and completed construction of a uniform internal computer network.

Administration

In the reporting year AS Viisnurk **Future Prospects**

it owns. To date, eleven immovable properties with the total area of 69.7 ha have been registered in the Land Register.

In 2000, after two-year standstill (1998-1999), AS Viisnurk reached the phase of fast growth and management intends to direct all their efforts at retaining the growth. During the year, all units prepared their strategic development plans till 2004. The goals outlined in the plans, and the large-scale edge-glued panel production project that will be launched in 2001 should ensure significant growth in operating capacities.

Enter

In line with its mission, AS Viisnurk has established an almost ideal cooperation chain for its principal activity - timber beneficiation. The Forestry Centre deals with the procurement and primary processing of timber and roundwood. It supplies other production units with raw materials, from waste products for the boiler house to semimanufactured skis for the Ski Factory, and utilises the timber almost fully. The new Wood Panels Factory will be an important part of the chain. It will sell edge-glued panels, adding value to the production of the sawmill and supplying the Furniture Factory with the necessary materials.

SUPERVISORY BOARD

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Director of Furniture Factory of AS Visnurk

INCOME STATEMENT

In kroons		2000	1999
NET SALES		309,082,948	212,570,076
Cost of goods sold		(243,301,665)	(166,466,466)
Gross profit		65,781,283	46,103,610
Marketing expenses		(17,170,690)	(13,052,422)
General administrative expenses		(12,440,960)	(11,349,872)
Other income	(Note 17)	1,704,068	536,620
Other expenses	(Note 18)	(3,677,042)	(2,451,377)
Profit from operations		34,196,659	19,786,559
Financial income	(Note 19)	670,669	6,496,493
Financial expenses	(Note 19)	(3,239,232)	(3,064,677)
Profit from ordinary activities		31,628,096	23,218,375
Deferred income tax expense		0	2,859,137
Net profit for the year		31,628,096	26,077,512
Minority interest		0	134,363
GROUP'S NET PROFIT		31,628,096	26,211,875
Basic earnings per share	(Note 15)	7.03	5.83
Diluted earnings per share	(Note 15)	7.03	5.83

STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY

In kroons		2000	1999
Distributable profits at beginning of year		53,828,938	28,497,063
Transferred to mandatory capital reserve	(Note 14)	(1,320,000)	(880,000)
Net profit for the year		31,628,096	26,211,875
Distributable profits at end of year		84,137,034	53,828,938

BALANCE SHEET

In kroons		2000	1999
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Cash and bank		4 000 007	2.046.222
		4,908,087	2,946,322
Shares and other securities	(Note 2)	0	261,300
Customer receivables	(Note 3)	51,229,471	34,906,046
Other receivables		377,779	81,366
Prepaid expenses	(Note 4)	18,331,277	5,482,882
Inventories	(Note 5)	58,681,669	48,582,993
Total current assets		133,528,283	92,260,909
Long-term financial investments	(Note 8)	606,040	605,440
Tangible assets	(Note 6)	197,120,410	85,912,441
Intangible assets	(Note 7)	623,151	992,670
Total non-current assets		198,349,601	87,510,551
TOTAL ASSETS		331,877,884	179,771,460
Debt obligations	(Note 10)	9,928,861	6,565,409
Customer prepayments		110,869	453,131
Supplier payables	(Note 12)	41,277,690	22,417,164
Taxes payable	(Note 13)	6,574,296	4,248,070
Accured expenses	(Note 12)	10,250,224	7,784,024
Total current liabilities		68,141,940	41,467,798
Long-term liabilities	(Note 10)	120,442,660	26,638,474
Total non-current liabilities		120,442,660	26,638,474
Share capital at par value		44,990,610	44,990,610
Share premium		11,331,780	11,331,780
Mandatory capital reserve		2,833,860	1,513,860
Retained earnings		52,508,938	27,617,063
Net profit for the financial year		31,628,096	26,211,875
Total equity	(Note 14)	143,293,284	111,665,188

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

Indirect method

In kroons	2000	1999
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Profit before income tax	31,628,096	26,077,512
Adjustments for:		
Accumulated depreciation for the year	12,509,806	9,103,592
Gain on sale of shares	(369,449)	(537,590)
Gain on sale of shares in subsidiaries		(5,745,968)
Gains and losses on sale of non-current assets	478,529	482,014
Investment income		(186,256)
Interest expense	2,915,279	2,737,310
Operating profit before changes in working capital	47,162,261	31,930,614
Change in current assets	(39,566,909)	(1,501,100)
Change in current liabilities	22,257,823	7,922,329
Change in deferred income tax liability		(2,859,137)
Cash generated from operations	29,853,175	35,492,706
Interest paid	(4,309,779)	(3,029,928)
Income tax paid		(1,198,306)
Net cash from operating activities	25,543,396	31,264,472
INVESTING ACTIVITIES		
Acquisition of non-current assets	(118,701,032)	(37,034,682)
Sale of non-current assets	798,334	582,400
Acquisition of shares and securities	(901,620)	(6,053,060)
Sale of shares and securities	1,531,769	6,672,186
Sale of shares in subsidiaries		8,495,873
Interest received		86,083
Dividends received		100,173
Net cash used in investing activities	(117,272,549)	(27,151,028)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES		
Proceeds from borrowing	74,498,884	9,026,370
Proceeds from the issue of dept securities	31,293,200	0
Repayment of loans	(18,650,551)	(14,030,041)
Settlement of finance lease liabilities	(1,223,030)	(900,036)
Increase in the overdraft balance	7,772,415	0
Net cash from/used in financing activities	93,690,918	(5,903,707)
NET CHANGE IN CASH	1,961,765	(1,790,263)
CASH AT BEGINNING OF PERIOD	2,946,322	4,736,585
CASH AT END OF PERIOD		

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. Significant accounting policies

AS Viisnurk is a company domiciled in the Republic of Estonia. At 31 December 2000 the company did not have any subsidiaries, or interest in associates or jointly controlled entities. The management board authorised these financial statements for issue on 9 February 2001.

I. Depreciation Non-current assets are depreciated

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over their estimated useful	lives using
the straightline method The	e following
annugladepreciation ra	2.5-15
plant and equipment	10-25
motor vehicles	10-20
other equipment and fixtures	20-40

A. Statement of compliance

The consolidated financial statements of AS Viisnurk have been prepared in accordance with International Accounting Standards.

B. Bases of preparation

The statements are presented in Estonian kroons, rounded to the nearest full kroon. Assets and liabilities are reported on the historical cost basis.

C. Basis of consolidation

At consolidation, the financial statements of the parent and its subsidiaries were combined on a lineby-line basis. Minority interests in the equities of subsidiaries and the results of their operations were reported separately. The effect of infra-group transactions was eliminated.

D. Foreign currency

We translate transactions in foreign currencies into Estonian kroons at the exchange rate of the date of the transaction. Monetary assets and liabilities that are denominated in foreign currency at the balance sheet date are translated into Estonian kroons using the exchange rate ruling at that date. Non-monetary assets and liabilities denominated in foreign currencies, which are stated at historical cost, are translated into Estonian kroons at the exchange rate ruling at the date of the transaction.

J. Intangibleassets

Intangible assets are carried at net book value. Items are amortised over their estimated useful lives (2.5-5 years) on a straight-line basis.

K. Operating and finance lease

Transactions are classified as operating and finance leases based on the economic substance of the transaction. Leases in terms of which the company assumes substantially all the risks and rewards relating to ownership are classified as finance leases. All other leases are treated as operating leases. Assets acquired by way of finance lease

are carried at acquisition cost, which is equal to the discounted present value of the minimum lease payments at the inception of the lease.

Assets acquired under finance lease are depreciated similarly to other tangible non-current assets over their estimated useful lives (see also tangible noncurrent assets).

L. Interest-bearing loans

Interest-bearing loans are recognised at cost. Contract fees and other differences between cost and the redemption value are amortised over the loan term and reported as financial expenses.

O. Financing costs

Financing costs are recognised in the income statement. Expenses that are directly related to the acquisition or construction of a non-current asset are capitalised. Capitalisation is ended

P. Segmentreporting

Business segments are distinguishable components of the company that are engaged in providing different products and function as independent

2.	Shares and other securities



In 2000, profits on transactions with

3. Customer receivables

In kroons	2000	1999	
Accounts receivable	51,520,795	35,473,089	
Allowance for doubtful receivables	(291,324)	(567,043)	
Total	51,229,471	34,906,046	

The collectability of every item is were considered doubtful amounted reviewed separately. In 2000 to 291,324 kroons.

4. Prepaid expenses

In kroons	2000	1999		
Prepaid VAT	17,816,627	3,854,090		
Prepaid corporate income tax	0	1,150,994		
Other prepaid expenses	514,650	477,798		
Total	18,331,277	5,482,882		

The largest item under prepaid expenses is an operating lease

5. Inventories

In kroons	2000	1999	
Materials	21,709,227	14,426,364	
Work in progress	13,693,784	14,484,652	
Finished goods	16,212,867	12,641,091	
Merchandise purchased for resale	6,155,137	5,362,883	
Prepayments to suppliers	910,654	1,668,003	
Total	58,681,669	48,582,993	

At 31 December 2000 the net book value of assets carried at net realisable

6. Tangible non-current assets

2000	1999	
55,720,478	40,883,734	
96,377,674	72,321,973	
6,392,706	5,517,132	
(59,492,951)	(49,253,038)	
98,122,503	16,442,640	
197,120,410	85,912,441	
	55,720,478 96,377,674 6,392,706 (59,492,951) 98,122,503	

Movements in tangible non-current assets in 2000

In kroons	Land, buildings and constructions	Plant and equipment	Other equipment and fixtures	Total
Acquisition cost 1.1.2000	40,884	72,322	5,517	118,723
Additions in 2000	14,836	26,943	1,166	42,945
Disposals in 2000	0	2,887	290	3,177
Acquisition cost 31.12.2000	55,720	96,378	6,393	158,491
Depreciation 1.1.2000	(9,160)	(37,269)	(2,824)	(49,253)
Depreciation 2000	(1,815)	(9,197)	(1,129)	(12,141)
Depreciation on items				
disposed of in 2000	0	1,630	271	1,901
Depreciation 31.12.2000	(10,975)	(44,836)	(3,682)	(59,493)
Net book value 31.12.2000	44,745	51,542	2,711	98,998

At 31 December 2000, the acquisition cost of fully depreciated items that

Leased assets

During the financial year the company acquired of 3,476,720 kroons under the terms of finance lease. At 31 December 2000, the net book value of assets leased under finance lease amounted to 3,581,209 kroons. The the balance of constructions in progress. The figure comprises the acquisition costs of the factory building, related constructions, uninstalled equipment, and capitalised loan interest of 2,447,367 kroons. Completion of stage I in the

7. Intangible assets

In kroons	2000
Acquisition cost 1.1.2000	1,444,950
Acquisition cost 31.12.2000	1,444,950
Amortisation 1.1.2000	(452,280)
Amortisation for the financial year	(369,519)
Amortisation 31.12.2000	(821,799)
Net book value 1.1.2000	992,670
Net book value 31.12.2000	623,151

Intangible assets comprise computer has been fully recognised in the income

8. Long-term financial investments

Long-term financial investments kroons and 6 shares in AS Fiiber (0.15%

9. Subsidiaries

At 31 December 2000, AS Viisnurk did not have subsidiaries. Therefore, the closing balance sheet includes only the

10. Debt obligations and long-term liabilities

In kroons	2000	1999
DEBT OBLIGATIONS		
Unsecured debt	1,000,450	409,413
Current period long-term debt repayment	1,155,996	1,155,996
Short-term loans from banks	7,772,415	5,000,000
Total	9,928,861	6,565,409

In kroons				2000	1999
LONG-TERM LIABILITIES					
Non-convertible debt			38,395	5,234	42,331
Long-term bank loans			82,047	7,426	26,203,423
Other long-term liabilities				0	392,720
Total			120,442	2,660	26,638,474
In kroons	Total	Payable within a year	Payable in 1-2 years	Payable in 2-5 years	Payable in mo than 5 ye
Banks loans					
1,490,000 EUR -					
EURIBOR +4.25%	23,313,434		23,313,434		
361,248 DEM -					
LIBOR +3%	2,889,987	1,155,997	1,155,997	577,993	
38,000,000 EEK -					
EURIBOR +3.1%	38,000,000			19,000,000	19,000,00
19,000,000 EEK -					
EURIBOR +3.1%	19,000,000			9,500,000	9,500,00
Overdrafts					
Limit 5,000,000 EEK -					
7%	4,950,712	4,950,712			
Limit 319,558 EUR -					
6.8%	2,821,703	2,821,703			
Finance lease					
Motor vehicles	2,705,435	796,785	807,917	1,100,733	
Debt securities					
2,000,000 EUR -					
7.4%	31,293,200			31,293,200	
Payable under instalment pl	an				
Privatisation of land	5,397,050	203,665	261,660	1,174,974	3,756,75
Total	130,371,521	9,928,862	25,539,008	62,646,900	32,256,75

Bank loans have been secured with a mortgage agreement with the Estonian Privatisation Agency under which the company's immovable property at 11 Niidu Street has been mortgaged to the extent of 5,874,900 kroons. The mortgage is of the first ranking and has been established for the benefit of the benefit of Union Bank of Estonia. The company's immovable property at 31 Rääma Street has been mortgaged for the benefit of Hansabank.

In addition to the mortgages, the loans are secured with a commercial pledge of the first ranking of 35,000,000 kroons and a commercial pledge of the

11. Operating leases

Operating lease payments calculated and expensed in 2000 totalled 1,141,859 kroons. Under effective agreements, operating lease payments

Rental income for the financial year amounted to 1,213,615 kroons breaking down between income from

12. Supplier payables and accured expenses

In kroons	2000	1999
Accounts payable	40,884,970	21,717,324
Notes payable	392,720	699,840
Payables to employees	9,055,534	7,656,897
Interest payable	1,170,787	127,127
Other accrued expenses	23,903	0
Total	51,527,914	30,201,188

Payables to employees include to 3,730,971 kroons and 31

13. Taxes payable

In kroons	2000	1999
Social security and health assurance tax	3,915,755	2,649,717
Personal income tax	2,658,541	1,598,353
Total	6,574,296	4,248,070

14. Equity

Share capital

At 31 December 2000 the share capital of AS Viisnurk amounted to 44,490,610 kroons (the maximum amount outlined in the Articles of Association is 177,480,800 kroons), being made up of 4,449,061 shares with a par value of 10 kroons each. During the financial year, share capital did not change. Members of the management board had the following number of shares:

Manageme 16 15 25 4 cm members: a 0.8132 - Meelis Kuklpercent interest - Toivo Kuld Mae 231 shares, i.e. a 1.0942 - Erik Piile percent interest - Toomas Matvere - Jüri Rokk

Mandatory capital reserve

The mandatory capital reserve is established by way of annual net profit transfers and other transfers that are made based on the law or the Articles of Association. The size of the capital reserve is prescribed by the Articles of Association and cannot be smaller than 1/10 of the share capital. Every year, the company has to transfer to the capital reserve at least 1/20 of its net profit. When the required level has been attained, transfers may be terminated.

At the decision of the general meeting,

However, a distribution gives rise to a tax liability, which reduces undistributed profits. Therefore, profits may be distributed only to the extent that allows the related tax liability to be covered.

The liability arising at the distribution of dividends may be reduced by the income tax paid on related profits in 1994-1999.

Considering the shareholder structure of AS Viisnurk at 9 February 2001 and the income tax paid in respect of distributable profits in 1994-1999, the

15. Earnings per share

In kroons	2000	1999
Basic earnings per share	7.03	5.83
Diluted earnings per share	7.03	5.83
Book value of a share	31.85	24.82
Price/earnings ratio (P/E)	6.7	3.6
Closing price of the share at Tallinn Stock		
Exchange at 31.12.2000	47.3	20.7

Basic earnings per share have been calculated by dividing the net profit for the period by number of shares: Basic earnings per share for 2000= Basic earnings per share equal diluted earnings per share because the company does not have any potential

16. Personnel expenses

In kroons	2000	1999
Wages and salaries	47,413,406	36,201,579
Social security and health assurance	15,728,654	12,125,259
Transfers to the vacation pay provision	7,311,275	5,855,038
Total	70,453,335	54,181,876

In 2000 the company had, on average, The remuneration of the executive

17. Other income

In kroons	2000	1999
Gains on sale of non-current assets	720,000	245,052
Foreign exchange gains	489,309	90,845
Insurance indemnifications	150,878	42,571
Other	343,881	158,152
Total	1,704,068	536,620

18. Other expenses

In kroons	2000	1999
Losses on sale of non-current assets	1,198,529	727,066
Foreign exchange loss	654,702	109,106
Doubtful receivables	1,053,182	568,293
Other	770,629	1,046,912
Total	3,677,042	2,451,377

19. Financial income and financial expenses

In kroons	2000	1999
FINANCIAL INCOME		
Interest income	257,875	86,083
Financial income from subsidiaries	0	5,745,968
Other	412,794	664,442
Total	670,669	6,496,493
FINANCIAL EXPENSES		
Interest expense	2,915,279	2,737,310
Foreign exchange loss	265,734	195,164
Other	58,219	132,203
Total	3,239,232	3,064,677

20. Financial information by segment

Segment reporting includes reporting by business segments and geographical segments. The results of the business segments are derived from management accounting. Intrasegmental sales are recognised at market prices. Due to the specific nature of the company's products and services, the prices are based on agreements concluded between segment managements.

Results by business segments

Softboard Factory, which produces softboards and beneficiated interior decoration boards. Exports accounted for 74% of sales and the largest partners were in Finland, the Netherlands and Portugal.

Glueboard Factory, will begin producing and selling edge-glued panels in the first quarter of 2001.

Other activities comprise production of heat energy, the activities of the Forestry Centre, and other less significant operations.

Information on geographical segments (net sales):

In thousands of kroons	2000	1999
EXPORT		
European countries		
Finland	103,282	77,462
Sweden	55,608	15,010
Germany	25,672	12,809
The Netherlands	18,307	16,043
Austria	11,175	7,795
Norway	10,489	5,449
Latvia, Lithuania	2,429	2,497
Other	11,145	16,812
Total	238,107	153,877
Russia, Ukraine	10,103	6,113
North America (USA and Canada)	9,308	8,143
The rest of the world	547	1,313
Total exports	258,065	169,446
DOMESTIC SALES	51,018	43,124
TOTAL	309,083	212,570

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Information by business segments	segmen	2												30 AS Viisnurk Annual Report 2000
In thousands of kroons	Ski Factory	ctory	Furniture Factory	Factory	Softboard Factory	Factory	Glueboard Factory	Factory	Other activities	vities	Eliminations	ions	AS VIISNURK TOTAL	tk total
	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999	2000	1999
External sales	98,828	72,662	121,373	68,214	72,252	63,120	41	0	16,589	8,574			309,083	212,570
Inter-segment sales	4,936	1,658	124	28					26,612	13,813	(31,672)	(15,499)	0	0
Total sales revenue	103,764	74,320	121,497	68,242	72,252	63,120	41	0	43,201	22,387	(31,672)	(15,499)	309,083	212,570
Segment result	11,847	9,161	19,233	5,948	19,362	14,264	(476)	0	(3,329)	1,764			46,637	31,137
Unallocated expenses													12,441	11,350
Operating profit													34,196	19,787
Net financial expenses													(2,568)	3,432
Deferred income tax													000100	2,859
Net pront for the period													31,628	26,0/8
Segments assets Unallocated assets Total assets	88,477	54,913	66,862	55,262	34,076	33,078	93,990	0	31,842	23,997			315,247 16,631 331,878	167,250 12,521 179,771
Segment liabilities Unallocated liabilities Total liabilities	13,612	11,491	15,390	9,083	3,409	3,382	13,555	0	5,085	3,141			51,051 137,534 188,585	27,097 41,010 68,107
Acquisition of ægment assets Acquisition of unallocated assets Total acquisition of non-current assets	12,488	2,179	13,326	3,325	4,662	2,975	212	0	4,357	12,007			35,045 7,900 42,945	20,486 4,233 24,719
egment depreciation per year Unallocated depreciation per year Total depreciation per year	2,853	2,061	2,823	1,992	2,003	1,584	0	0	3,135	2,157			10,814 1,696 12,510	7,794 1,089 8,883

21. Financial risks

Interest rate risk

The company's interest rate risk depends on changes in EURIBOR (Euro Interbank Offered Rate) because all loans taken by the company are linked to the latter. At 1 January 2000, EURIBORAStopole 8tr 3, 5490, 2000 atvat December 200 at 4 84 more and 20 According to loan agreements, interest ratem ar for a review of the state of the st

Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a business partner will fail to discharge a contractual obligation and will cause AS Viisnurk to incur a financial loss. At the balance sheet date the company was not aware of any major risks relating to customer receivables (except for doubtful items of 291,324). The financial positions and settlement practice of existing and potential partners are monitored on a current basis.

PROFIT ALLOCATION PROPOSAL

AUDITOR'S REPORT

FOR THE SHAREHOLDERS OF THE AS VIISNURK

the management, and an opinion about the way of presentation of the annual report as a whole. We believe the audit offers reasonable basis for expressing our opinion on the annual accounts.

Made Tamm Authorised Public Accountant

We have audited the annual accounts of AS Viisnurk presented on pages 18 to 31 Retained earnings that includes the Balance Sheet as of 31.12.2000, the Income Statement for the 52,508,938 kroons at end of 2000 period 1.01.-31.12.2000, the Cash Flow Statement and the Report of Changes in Equity and the Notes to the annual accounts reports is the responsibility of the management of the company. Our task concerns evaluation of the annual accounts 31,628,096 kroons Net profit for 2000 on the bases of the results of the audit. We carried out an audit in accordance with the International Standards on 1,665,201 kroons Transfer to capital reserve Auditing. The aforesaid standards provide that an audit should be planned and carried out in a way enabling to decide with the sufficient certainty that the annual accounts include no major errors or inaccuracies. In the course of the audit, we have examined the evidence the figures of the annual account are based on at random. Our audit also included the critical analysis of the accounting principles applied for compiling the annual report and accounting assessments rendered by

NEWS 2000 IN BRIEF

January

On the first trading day of the year the closing price of the share of AS Viisnurk was 22 kroons at Tallinn Stock Exchange.

16-year-old Anti Saarepuu won a bronze medal at the Estonian Championship in Skiing in Otepää on a pair of Visu skis.

The Softboard Factory started to produce interior finishing panels covered with foil paper to ensure better fire-resistance layer.

February

The Forestry Centre of the company launched production in the sawmill. Visu cross-country skis and Maxxhockey hockey sticks were displayed at Ispo International Fair of Sports Goods in Munich (Germany)

The first copy of was published.

AS Viisnurk celebrated its 55th anniversary of establishment.

March

Isotex finishing boards were displayed at the construction fair in Jyväskylä (Finland).

Visu skis were displayed at the fair of Snowsport Industry America in Las Vegas (the USA). Reliable Racing Supply Inc. became a new distributor for Visu brand.

The first shipment of sawn timber produced at the Forestry Centre was exported.

The 13th annual general meeting of the shareholders of AS Viisnurk.

The 5th season of the Estonian Television and Visu Skiing Cup for

July

The Ski Factory supported the international ITF tennis tournament for professionals held in Pärnu where Wilson was the official ball of the tournament. AS Viisnurk is the official dealer for Wilson brand in Estonia.

August

August Suverull 2000. An agreement was closed with OÜ Vattenfall Estonia to erect a boiler house near the Wood Panels Factory at the new production site of AS Viisnurk. The Ski Factory was a grand sponsor for the international roller skiing competition Viisnurk's summer reunion for the

personnel.

September

A cornerstone was laid to the new Wood Panels Factory.

October

AS Viisnurk received the title of the Best-looking Company of Pärnu. AS Viisnurk was declared to be the Learning Organisation of the Year in Pärnu County.

The Ski Factory and Visu product line thereof were presented to the President of the International Skiing Federation (FIS) Gian Franco Kasper during his visit to Estonia.

November

A new boiler house was launched near the Wood Panels Factory on the new production site of AS Viisnurk

INFORMATION FOR SHAREHOLDERS

Annual General Meeting

The annual general meeting of the shareholders of AS Viisnurk shall be called on Saturday, 31 March 2001 at 12.00 in the Tervis Sanatorium at 6, Seedri St., Pärnu. The agenda of the meeting shall be announced pursuant to the procedure prescribed by the Articles of Association.

Registration of the participants of the general meeting shall start at 11.00 am. For registration, physical persons are

Financial Information

AS Viisnurk will disclose the quarterly interim reports for 2001 as follows: on 24 April 2001: January - March January - June January - September

and the audited annual report for 2001 on 26 February 2002 at the latest.

Annual and interim reports of the company from 1997 on and press releases for 2000 are available at the corporate website of AS Viisnurk at http://www.viisnurk.ee.

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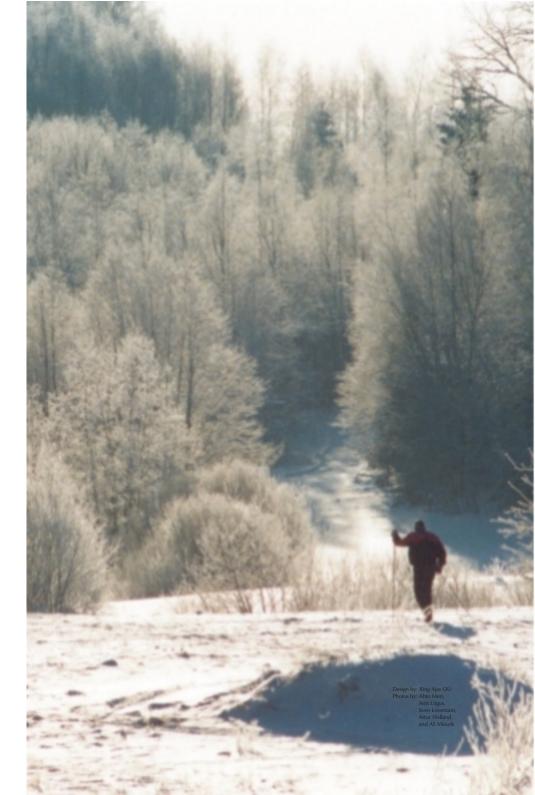
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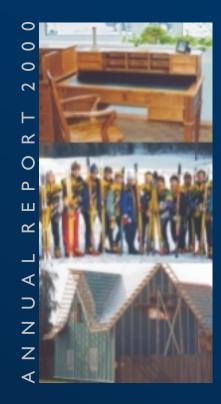
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