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("China Food" or the "Company")

Trading Update

China Food (AIM: CFC.L), manufacturer of branded consumer condiment products and animal feeds based in the Shandong province of the People's Republic of China (the "PRC"), is pleased to announce that results for the year ended 31 December 2008 will be in line with expectations.

The Company's operating divisions, Consumer Condiments and Animal feeds, continue to perform robustly in a competitive business environment which experienced more volatile commodity prices in 2008 and a reduced level of consumer spending in the year-end festive season. Trading conditions remain challenging in the current economic environment as visibility remains poor. Thus whilst the Company continues to trade profitably, is cash generative, has low gearing and has a strong balance sheet, the results for 2009 are likely to be lower than current market expectations.

The new production facilities remain on plan and are due for completion this Summer. The Company will provide another trading update to shareholders with its preliminary results to 31 December 2008 which are expected to be announced in April.

Commenting, John McLean, Chairman of China Food Company, said:

"China Food is in a strong position to continue to grow the business and increase market share where its competitors have come under increasing pressure to match China Food's levels of manufacturing efficiency. China Food retains a strong balance sheet, remains cash generative and is well invested with its new soya sauce manufacturing capacity scheduled to come on line in the current year. We must remain mindful of the changing global market conditions and will continue to take a prudent stance to the domestic Chinese economy in the short term, however, I remain cautiously optimistic about the future."

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The Company comprises a group of well-established Chinese food manufacturing businesses producing a range of condiment products, including soya sauce and vinegar, under its "Fushi" and "Fushi Hao Tai Tai" brand names and a range of animal feeds covering premix, concentrate and compound feedstuffs. China Food is the 9th largest Soya sauce manufacturer in China and operates in one of the fastest growing segments within the PRC's food industry reflecting the increasing purchasing power of Chinese consumers. The Company's primary market is in Shandong, China's second largest province, as well as its neighbouring provinces. China Food sells its condiments products via a network of approximately 205 distributors, retailers and numerous outlets of large and medium sized supermarket chains in ten provinces and municipal cities in the north-eastern region of the PRC, including Wal Mart, Carrefour, Shiji Lianhua and Jialejia.

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