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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the Month of March 2004

SHINHAN FINANCIAL GROUP CO., LTD. (Translation of registrant's name into English)

120, 2-Ga, Taepyung-Ro, Jung-Gu, Seoul 100-102, Korea (Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes No X

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LOANS TO SUBSIDIARIES

On March 16, 2004, we, Shinhan Financial Group, approved the extension of a loan in the aggregate principal amount of KRW 50,000,000,000 to Shinhan Capital, our wholly-owned subsidiary. Shinhan Capital provides leasing and equipment financing services to corporate customers. The loan origination date is expected to be March 24, 2004. We plan to fund this loan through the issuance of corporate bonds in the domestic market on March 24, 2004. Among our loan of KRW 50,000,000,000 to Shinhan Capital, KRW 30,000,000,000 will have a maturity of three (3) years and the interest rate will be our domestic funding rate plus 20 basis points. The other KRW 20,000,000,000 is a subordinated loan with a maturity of five (5) years and the interest rate will be our domestic funding

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rate plus 70 basis points. Shinhan Capital will use the proceeds for its leasing operation and for maintaining its required net equity ratio. As of March 24, 2004, total loans outstanding to Shinhan Capital from us will amount to KRW 694,904,978,200.

* SUMMARY OF THE TRANSACTION:

1. Name of the Subsidiary (debtor): Shinhan Capital

2. Aggregate Principal Amount of the Loan: KRW 50,000,000,000

3. Loan Origination Date : March 24, 2004

4. Total Loans to Shinhan Capital: KRW 694,904,978,200

(as of March 24, 2004)

5. Maturity:

KRW 30,000,000,000 3 years

KRW 20,000,000,000 5 years (subordinated loan)

6. Interest Rate:

KRW 30,000,000,000 our domestic funding rate plus 20

basis points

KRW 20,000,000,000 our domestic funding rate plus 70

basis points

7. Use of Proceeds to Shinhan Capital: Leasing Operation and

Maintaining required net equity

ratio

8. Date of Approval: March 16, 2004

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.

SHINHAN FINANCIAL GROUP CO., LTD.

By /s/ Byung Jae Cho

Name: Byung Jae Cho

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date : March 17, 2004

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