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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 January 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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PARTICIPATION IN LG CARD RESCUE PLAN

On January 9, 2004, LG Group and creditors of LG Card reached an agreement on the "Collective Management Plan for LG Card (Rescue Plan)." Shinhan Bank, our wholly owned banking subsidiary, is among the creditor banks of LG Card. Shinhan Bank held a meeting of board of directors on January 13, 2004 to approve the participation of the rescue plan. According to the plan, Shinhan Bank will conduct debt-to-equity swap amounting to KRW 81.3 billion from its previous exposure and provide additional loan of KRW 81.0 billion as liquidity support, which will be converted into equity later on. The detailed schedule for the debt-to-equity swap will be disclosed as soon as it is determined.

CHANGE IN POSITIONS OF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

In January 2004, pursuant to a resolution of our Executive Committee meeting, there was a change in positions and titles of our executive officers as $\frac{1}{2}$

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follows:

NAME

Bhang Gil Choi	Senior Executive Vice President of Integration Coordina of Chohung Bank related issues)
Chil Sun Hong	Senior Executive Vice President of Subsidiary Managemen and Audit & Compliance Team
Hee Soo Kim	Senior Executive Vice President of Subsidiary Managemen Coordination Team I
Byung Jae Cho	Chief Financial Officer and Senior Executive Vice Presi

POSITION

Lee, Baek Soon

Senior Executive Vice President of General Service Team Planning Team and Integration Coordination Team II

Management Team and Investor Relations Team

As noted above, Mr. Hee Soo Kim, and Mr. Baek Soon Lee were newly appointed as senior executive vice presidents. Mr. Min Ky Han and Mr. Youn Soo Song, our previous senior executive vice presidents resigned the position on January 13, 2004, because each was appointed as deputy president of Shinhan Bank, our wholly owned banking subsidiary pursuant to a resolution of the board of directors of Shinhan Bank.

Under the Specialized Credit Financial Business Act of Korea, which regulates and governs credit card business, a person who is an officer or an employee of the concerned company or its affiliate shall be prohibited from becoming an outside director of a credit card company. Consequently, Mr. Min Ky Han, who has been serving as outside director of Shinhan Card, our wholly owned credit card subsidiary, resigned the position before his appointment of deputy president of Shinhan Bank.

Mr. Youn Soo Song, who has been serving as outside director and audit committee member of Shinhan Bank also resigned the position because he was appointed as deputy president of the bank. Shinhan Bank appointed Mr. Park Kyung Seo as a new member of the audit committee through a resolution of its board of directors on January 13, 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.

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By /s/ Byung Jae Cho

Name: Byung Jae Cho

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: January 14, 2004