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Form 6-K
May 05, 2005

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of May 2005

G. WILLI-FOOD INTERNATIONAL LTD.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

3 Nahal Snir St., Yavne, Israel 81224
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

FORM 20-F FORM 40-F

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Indicate by check mark whether registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934:

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YES NO

If "YES" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-_____.

EXPLANATORY NOTE:

This report on Form 6-K shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in the prospectus, dated April 19, 2000, of G. Willi-Food International Ltd. ("Registrant") included in Registrant's Registration Statement on Form F-3 (File No. 333-11848), and to be a part thereof from the date on which this report is filed, to the extent not superceded by documents or reports subsequently filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

On May 4, 2005, the Registrant announced its unaudited financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2005.

EXHIBITS

The following document is filed herewith as an exhibit to this Form 6-K:
Copy of the Company's press release, dated May 4, 2005.

SIGNATURES

In accordance with 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.

G. WILLI-FOOD INTERNATIONAL LTD.

Dated: May 4, 2005

By: /s/ Joseph Williger

Joseph Williger
Chief Executive Officer

[G. WILLI FOOD LOGO]

NEWS

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

G. WILLI-FOOD REPORTS 58% GROWTH OF OPERATING INCOME AND 39% RISE IN NET INCOME FOR Q1 2005

YAVNE, ISRAEL - MAY 4, 2005 -- G. WILLI-FOOD INTERNATIONAL LTD. (NASDAQ: WILCF) today announced financial results for the first quarter ended March 31, 2005.

Revenues for the quarter decreased by 9% to NIS 40.5 million (US\$ 9.3 million) from NIS 44.4 million (US\$ 10.2 million) in the first quarter of 2004, reflecting seasonable adjustment in buying habits due to the timing of the Passover holidays, which fell mostly during March in 2004 but entirely in April in 2005. Nonetheless, with gross margins of 21% for the period compared to 19% in the first quarter of 2004, gross profit remained steady on a year-over-year basis. Further, due to a 13% decline in operating expenses, the Company's operating profit increased by 58% compared to the first quarter of 2004, delivering in an operating margin of 5.9% compared to 3.4% in the parallel period of 2004.

Net income for the first quarter of 2005 increased by 39% to NIS 1.9 million (US\$ 0.43 million), or NIS 0.22 (US\$ 0.05) per share, compared with NIS 1.3 million (US\$ 0.3 million), or NIS 0.16 (US\$ 0.036) per share, in the same period of 2004. Net margin for the quarter rose to 4.6% compared to 3.0% for the first quarter of 2004.

"We are pleased to report another quarter of increased profits and rising margins despite the comparative decline of our revenues, which is attributable partially to the timing of the Passover buying season," said Mr. Zvi Williger, President and COO of Willi-Food. "The reduction in our expenses during the period more than compensated, enabling us to record steady gross profit with rising gross, operating and net margins compared to last year, and continued strong profits."

See Financial tables below

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ABOUT G. WILLI FOOD INTERNATIONAL LTD.

G. Willi-Food International is one of Israel's largest food importers and a single-source supplier of one of the world's most extensive ranges of quality Kosher food products. It currently imports, markets and distributes more than 400 food products manufactured by some 100 top-tier suppliers throughout the world to more than 1,000 customers. The Company excels in identifying changing tastes in its markets and sourcing high-quality kosher products to address them.

Except for historical information contained herein, the matters set forth in this release are forward-looking statements that are dependent on certain risks and uncertainties, including such factors, among others, as market acceptance, market demand, pricing, competition, changing economic conditions and other risk factors detailed in the Company's SEC filings.

NOTE A: CONVENIENCE TRANSLATION TO DOLLARS

The convenience translation of the Adjusted New Israeli Shekel (NIS) into U.S. dollars was made at the rate of exchange prevailing at March 31, 2005: U.S. \$1.00 equals NIS 4.361. The translation was made solely for the convenience of the reader.

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G. WILLI-FOOD INTERNATIONAL LTD.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

	MARCH 31, ----- 2 0 0 5 -----	DECEMBER 31, ----- 2 0 0 4 -----	MARCH 31, ----- 2 0 0 5 -----	DE
	NIS		US DOLLARS	
	----- (IN THOUSANDS) -----			
ASSETS				
CURRENT ASSETS				
Cash and cash equivalents	53,602	55,831	12,291	
Marketable securities	8,623	1,694	1,977	
Trade receivables	38,280	40,887	8,779	
Other receivables and prepaid expenses	2,194	1,211	503	
Inventories	25,396	27,139	5,823	
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TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	128,095	126,762	29,373	
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PROPERTY AND EQUIPMENT, NET	3,645	3,036	836	
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OTHER ASSETS, NET	73	63	17	
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	131,813	129,861	30,226	
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LIABILITIES AND SHAREHOLDERS'				
EQUITY				
CURRENT LIABILITIES				
Payables:				
Short term bank credit and other	2	2,489	-	
Trade payables	19,004	19,066	4,358	
Related parties	3,933	2,557	902	
Other and accrued expenses	7,875	6,664	1,806	
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TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	30,814	30,776	7,066	
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LONG TERM LIABILITIES			
Accrued severance pay	243	185	56
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SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Ordinary shares NIS 0.10 par value (authorized - 50,000,000 shares, issued and outstanding - 8,615,000 shares at March 31, 2005; 8,555,000 shares at December 31, 2004)	1,502	1,502	344
Additional paid-in capital	19,704	19,704	4,518
Retained earnings	79,550	77,694	18,242
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	100,756	98,900	23,104
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	131,813	129,861	30,226
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(*) Convenience translation into U.S. dollars

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS

	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31	THREE MONTHS ENDED MARCH 31
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	NIS		US DOLLARS (*)	
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	(IN THOUSANDS, EXCEPT PER SHARE AND SHARE DATA)			
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Sales	40,497	44,431	9,286	10,188
Cost of sales	32,107	36,033	7,362	8,263
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GROSS PROFIT	8,390	8,398	1,924	1,925
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Selling expenses	3,558	5,041	816	1,156
General and administrative expenses	2,426	1,834	556	420
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Total operating expenses	5,984	6,875	1,372	1,576
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OPERATING INCOME	2,406	1,523	552	349
Financial income, net	433	546	99	125
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Income before other income	2,839	2,069	651	474
Other income	-	34	-	8
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Income before taxes on income	2,839	2,103	651	482
Taxes on income	983	766	225	176
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NET INCOME	1,856	1,337	426	306
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Earnings per share data:				
Earnings per share:				
Basic	0.22	0.16	0.05	0.04
	=====	=====	=====	=====
Diluted	0.22	0.16	0.05	0.04
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Shares used in computing basic and diluted earnings per ordinary share:	8,615,000	8,555,000	8,615,000	8,555,000
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(*) Convenience translation intos U.S. dollars