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**MASONITE INTERNATIONAL INC.
ANNOUNCES ACQUISITION OF MINORITY INTEREST IN
FOREIGN SUBSIDIARY**

MISSISSAUGA, ON, March 17, 2008 – On Friday March 14, 2008, Masonite International Corporation acquired the remaining 25% of the shares outstanding in Kronospan Door Holdings Ltd., the parent of Masonite Czech and Masonite Poland. “Completing the acquisition of the remaining 25% of our businesses in Poland and the Czech Republic solidifies our strong position in these two attractive, growing markets”, said Fred Lynch, President and Chief Executive Officer of Masonite International.

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Masonite International is a leading global manufacturer of residential and commercial doors, committed to providing the highest value door products to our customers in more than 70 countries around the world.