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QUARTERLY REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT
OF 1934

For the quarterly period ended October 27, 2012

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT
OF 1934

For the transition period from _____ to _____
Commission File Number 1-7562

THE GAP, INC.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 94-1697231
(State or other jurisdiction (I.R.S. Employer
of incorporation or organization) Identification No.)

Two Folsom Street, San Francisco, California 94105
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (415) 427-0100

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports) and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate Web site, if any, every Interactive Data File required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such files) Yes No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company. See definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer" and "smaller reporting company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer Accelerated filer Non-accelerated
filer Smaller reporting company

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act).
Yes No

The number of shares of the registrant's common stock outstanding as of November 27, 2012 was 479,419,352.

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PART I – FINANCIAL INFORMATION

Item 1. Financial Statements.

THE GAP, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS

(Unaudited)

| (\$ and shares in millions except par value) | October 27, 2012 | January 28, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| ASSETS | | | |
| Current assets: | | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | \$ 1,720 | \$ 1,885 | \$ 1,392 |
| Short-term investments | 50 | — | 25 |
| Merchandise inventory | 2,269 | 1,615 | 2,322 |
| Other current assets | 794 | 809 | 815 |
| Total current assets | 4,833 | 4,309 | 4,554 |
| Property and equipment, net of accumulated depreciation of \$5,355, \$5,260, and \$5,202 | 2,559 | 2,523 | 2,550 |
| Other long-term assets | 615 | 590 | 553 |
| Total assets | \$ 8,007 | \$ 7,422 | \$ 7,657 |
| LIABILITIES AND STOCKHOLDERS' EQUITY | | | |
| Current liabilities: | | | |
| Current maturities of debt | \$ 2 | \$ 59 | \$ 52 |
| Accounts payable | 1,584 | 1,066 | 1,472 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 1,041 | 998 | 957 |
| Income taxes payable | 1 | 5 | 1 |
| Total current liabilities | 2,628 | 2,128 | 2,482 |
| Long-term liabilities: | | | |
| Long-term debt | 1,246 | 1,606 | 1,606 |
| Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities | 972 | 933 | 910 |
| Total long-term liabilities | 2,218 | 2,539 | 2,516 |
| Commitments and contingencies (see Note 11) | | | |
| Stockholders' equity: | | | |
| Common stock \$0.05 par value | | | |
| Authorized 2,300 shares and Issued 1,106 shares for all periods presented; Outstanding 480, 485, and 489 shares | 55 | 55 | 55 |
| Additional paid-in capital | 2,844 | 2,867 | 2,873 |
| Retained earnings | 12,966 | 12,364 | 12,201 |
| Accumulated other comprehensive income | 219 | 229 | 226 |
| Treasury stock at cost (626, 621, and 617 shares) | (12,923) | (12,760) | (12,696) |
| Total stockholders' equity | 3,161 | 2,755 | 2,659 |
| Total liabilities and stockholders' equity | \$ 8,007 | \$ 7,422 | \$ 7,657 |
| See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements | | | |

THE GAP, INC.
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF INCOME
 (Unaudited)

| (\$ and shares in millions except per share amounts) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Net sales | \$3,864 | \$3,585 | \$10,926 | \$10,266 |
| Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses | 2,271 | 2,271 | 6,531 | 6,397 |
| Gross profit | 1,593 | 1,314 | 4,395 | 3,869 |
| Operating expenses | 1,073 | 968 | 3,055 | 2,803 |
| Operating income | 520 | 346 | 1,340 | 1,066 |
| Interest expense | 22 | 22 | 67 | 50 |
| Interest income | (1 |) (1 |) (4 |) (3 |
| Income before income taxes | 499 | 325 | 1,277 | 1,019 |
| Income taxes | 191 | 132 | 493 | 404 |
| Net income | \$308 | \$193 | \$784 | \$615 |
| Weighted-average number of shares - basic | 481 | 503 | 485 | 542 |
| Weighted-average number of shares - diluted | 488 | 505 | 491 | 547 |
| Earnings per share - basic | \$0.64 | \$0.38 | \$1.62 | \$1.13 |
| Earnings per share - diluted | \$0.63 | \$0.38 | \$1.60 | \$1.12 |
| Cash dividends declared and paid per share | \$0.125 | \$0.1125 | \$0.375 | \$0.3375 |

See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements

THE GAP, INC.

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

(Unaudited)

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | |
| Net income | \$308 | \$193 | \$784 | \$615 | |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax: | | | | | |
| Foreign currency translation | (1 |) (8 |) (10 |) 39 | |
| Change in fair value of derivative financial instruments, net of tax (tax benefit) of \$(2), \$6, \$1, and \$(15) | (3 |) 10 | 2 | (22 |) |
| Reclassification adjustment for realized (gains) losses on derivative financial instruments, net of tax benefit (tax) of \$(1), \$7, \$(1), and \$17 | (1 |) 10 | (2 |) 24 | |
| Other comprehensive income (loss), net of tax | (5 |) 12 | (10 |) 41 | |
| Comprehensive income | \$303 | \$205 | \$774 | \$656 | |
| See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements | | | | | |

THE GAP, INC.
 CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS
 (Unaudited)

| (\$ in millions) | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Cash flows from operating activities: | | |
| Net income | \$784 | \$615 |
| Adjustments to reconcile net income to net cash provided by operating activities: | | |
| Depreciation and amortization | 421 | 444 |
| Amortization of lease incentives | (58) | (62) |
| Share-based compensation | 87 | 50 |
| Tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vesting of stock units | 32 | 10 |
| Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vesting of stock units | (32) | (11) |
| Non-cash and other items | 4 | 51 |
| Deferred income taxes | (15) | 82 |
| Changes in operating assets and liabilities: | | |
| Merchandise inventory | (655) | (694) |
| Other current assets and other long-term assets | (14) | (78) |
| Accounts payable | 517 | 422 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | 31 | (87) |
| Income taxes payable, net of prepaid and other tax-related items | 31 | (185) |
| Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities | 92 | 81 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | 1,225 | 638 |
| Cash flows from investing activities: | | |
| Purchases of property and equipment | (449) | (416) |
| Purchases of short-term investments | (175) | (50) |
| Maturities of short-term investments | 125 | 125 |
| Changes in other assets | (12) | (4) |
| Net cash used for investing activities | (511) | (345) |
| Cash flows from financing activities: | | |
| Proceeds from issuance of short-term debt | — | 9 |
| Payments of short-term debt | (17) | — |
| Proceeds from issuance of long-term debt | — | 1,646 |
| Payments of long-term debt issuance costs | — | (11) |
| Payments of long-term debt | (400) | — |
| Proceeds from issuances under share-based compensation plans, net of withholding tax payments | 159 | 55 |
| Repurchases of common stock | (467) | (2,013) |
| Excess tax benefit from exercise of stock options and vesting of stock units | 32 | 11 |
| Cash dividends paid | (182) | (181) |
| Net cash used for financing activities | (875) | (484) |
| Effect of foreign exchange rate fluctuations on cash and cash equivalents | (4) | 22 |
| Net decrease in cash and cash equivalents | (165) | (169) |
| Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period | 1,885 | 1,561 |
| Cash and cash equivalents at end of period | \$1,720 | \$1,392 |
| Non-cash investing activities: | | |
| Purchases of property and equipment not yet paid at end of period | \$68 | \$50 |
| Supplemental disclosure of cash flow information: | | |

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| Cash paid for interest during the period | \$81 | \$42 |
| Cash paid for income taxes during the period | \$445 | \$494 |
| See Accompanying Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements | | |

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THE GAP, INC.

NOTES TO CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(Unaudited)

Note 1. Basis of Presentation

The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets as of October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income and the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Comprehensive Income for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, and the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011 have been prepared by The Gap, Inc. (the “Company,” “we,” and “our”), without audit. In the opinion of management, such statements include all adjustments (which include only normal recurring adjustments) considered necessary to present fairly our financial position, results of operations, and cash flows as of October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011 and for all periods presented. The Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet as of January 28, 2012 has been derived from our audited financial statements.

The accompanying unaudited Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements have been prepared in accordance with the rules and regulations of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Accordingly, certain information and disclosures normally included in the notes to the annual financial statements prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America (“GAAP”) have been omitted from these interim financial statements. We suggest that you read these Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements in conjunction with the Consolidated Financial Statements and notes thereto included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012.

The results of operations for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 are not necessarily indicative of the operating results that may be expected for the fifty-three-week period ending February 2, 2013.

We identify our operating segments based on the way we manage and evaluate our business activities. We have two reportable segments: Stores and Direct.

Note 2. Recent Accounting Pronouncements

In July 2012, the Financial Accounting Standards Board issued an accounting standards update (“ASU”) to simplify the manner in which entities test indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment. The ASU permits an entity to first assess qualitative factors to determine whether events and circumstances indicate that it is more likely than not that the indefinite-lived intangible asset is impaired as a basis for determining whether it is necessary to perform a quantitative impairment test. The ASU is effective for annual and interim impairment tests performed for fiscal years beginning after September 15, 2012, with early adoption permitted. We do not expect the adoption of the ASU to have a material impact on our consolidated financial statements.

Note 3. Goodwill and Intangible Assets

Goodwill and intangible assets consist of the following and are included in other long-term assets in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets:

| (\$ in millions) | October 27, 2012 | January 28, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Goodwill | \$99 | \$99 | \$99 |
| Trade name | \$54 | \$54 | \$54 |
| Other indefinite-lived intangible assets | \$6 | \$— | \$— |
| Intangible assets subject to amortization | \$15 | \$15 | \$15 |
| Less: Accumulated amortization | (15 |) (14 |) (14 |
| Intangible assets subject to amortization, net | \$— | \$1 | \$1 |

During the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, there were no changes in the carrying amount of goodwill, which is allocated to the Direct reportable segment. The intangible assets subject to amortization were fully amortized in the thirteen weeks ended April 28, 2012 and as such, there was no amortization expense for intangible assets subject to amortization in the thirteen weeks ended October 27, 2012. There was no

material amortization expense for intangible assets subject to amortization for the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2011. Amortization expense for intangible assets subject to amortization was \$1 million and \$2 million for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, respectively. Amortization expense for intangible assets subject to amortization is recorded in operating expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income.

Note 4. Debt and Credit Facilities

Long-term debt consists of the following:

| (\$ in millions) | October 27, 2012 | January 28, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Notes | \$ 1,246 | \$ 1,246 | \$ 1,246 |
| Term loan | — | 400 | 400 |
| Total long-term debt | 1,246 | 1,646 | 1,646 |
| Less: Current portion | — | (40 |) (40 |
| Total long-term debt, less current portion | \$ 1,246 | \$ 1,606 | \$ 1,606 |

As of October 27, 2012, January 28, 2012, and October 29, 2011, the estimated fair value of our \$1.25 billion aggregate principal amount of 5.95 percent notes (the "Notes") due April 2021 was \$1.41 billion, \$1.19 billion, and \$1.18 billion, respectively, and was based on the quoted market price of the Notes (level 1 inputs) as of the last business day of the respective fiscal quarter.

In April 2011, we entered into a \$400 million, five-year, unsecured term loan due April 2016. Repayments of \$40 million were payable on April 7 of each year, commencing on April 7, 2012, with a final repayment of \$240 million due on April 7, 2016. In April 2012, we repaid \$40 million on the term loan and in August 2012, we repaid the remaining \$360 million reducing the outstanding balance on the term loan to zero. The estimated fair value of the term loan was \$400 million as of January 28, 2012, and October 29, 2011. The carrying amount of the term loan approximated its fair value, as the interest rate varied depending on quoted market rates (level 1 inputs) and our credit rating.

We have a \$500 million, five-year, unsecured revolving credit facility (the "Facility"), which is scheduled to expire in April 2016. As of October 27, 2012, there were no borrowings under the Facility. The net availability of the Facility, reflecting \$66 million of outstanding standby letters of credit, was \$434 million as of October 27, 2012.

We also have two separate agreements that make unsecured uncommitted revolving credit facilities available for our operations in China (the "China Facilities"). The 196 million Chinese yuan (\$31 million as of October 27, 2012) China Facilities expired during the thirteen weeks ended October 27, 2012 and they were subsequently renewed with an increased availability of 250 million Chinese yuan (\$40 million as of October 27, 2012) and no expiration date. As of October 27, 2012, there were borrowings of \$2 million (10 million Chinese yuan) at an annual interest rate of approximately 5.04 percent under the China Facilities, which are recorded in current maturities of debt in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheet. There were also \$4 million in bank guarantees related to store leases under the China Facilities as of October 27, 2012. As of January 28, 2012 and October 29, 2011, current maturities of debt in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets includes borrowings under the China Facilities of \$19 million and \$12 million, respectively.

As of October 27, 2012, we had a \$50 million, two-year, unsecured letter of credit agreement with an expiration date of September 2014. We had no material trade letters of credit issued under the letter of credit agreement as of October 27, 2012.

Note 5. Fair Value Measurements

There were no purchases, sales, issuances, or settlements related to recurring level 3 measurements during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 or October 29, 2011. There were no transfers into or out of level 1 and level 2 during the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 or October 29, 2011.

Financial Assets and Liabilities

Financial assets and liabilities measured at fair value on a recurring basis and cash equivalents and short-term investments held at amortized cost are as follows:

| (\$ in millions) | October 27, 2012 | Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using | | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|--|---|--|
| | | Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
| Assets: | | | | |
| Cash equivalents | \$ 840 | \$ 184 | \$ 656 | \$ — |
| Short-term investments | 50 | — | 50 | — |
| Derivative financial instruments | 12 | — | 12 | — |
| Deferred compensation plan assets | 27 | 27 | — | — |
| Total | \$ 929 | \$ 211 | \$ 718 | \$ — |
| Liabilities: | | | | |
| Derivative financial instruments | \$ 14 | \$ — | \$ 14 | \$ — |
| (\$ in millions) | January 28, 2012 | Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using | | |
| | | Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
| Assets: | | | | |
| Cash equivalents | \$ 1,009 | \$ 224 | \$ 785 | \$ — |
| Short-term investments | — | — | — | — |
| Derivative financial instruments | 13 | — | 13 | — |
| Deferred compensation plan assets | 22 | 22 | — | — |
| Total | \$ 1,044 | \$ 246 | \$ 798 | \$ — |
| Liabilities: | | | | |
| Derivative financial instruments | \$ 14 | \$ — | \$ 14 | \$ — |
| (\$ in millions) | October 29, 2011 | Fair Value Measurements at Reporting Date Using | | |
| | | Quoted Prices in Active Markets for Identical Assets (Level 1) | Significant Other Observable Inputs (Level 2) | Significant Unobservable Inputs (Level 3) |
| Assets: | | | | |
| Cash equivalents | \$ 610 | \$ 133 | \$ 477 | \$ — |
| Short-term investments | 25 | — | 25 | — |

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|-----------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| Derivative financial instruments | 7 | — | 7 | — |
| Deferred compensation plan assets | 23 | 23 | — | — |
| Total | \$665 | \$156 | \$509 | \$— |
| Liabilities: | | | | |
| Derivative financial instruments | \$37 | \$— | \$37 | \$— |

We have highly liquid investments classified as cash equivalents and short-term investments, which are placed primarily in money market funds, time deposits, and commercial paper. These investments are classified as held-to-maturity based on our positive intent and ability to hold the securities to maturity. We value these investments at their original purchase prices plus interest that has accrued at the stated rate. Money market funds of \$133 million as of October 29, 2011 have been reclassified from cash to cash equivalents and are included as level 1 measurements in the table above. This correction had no impact on the Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for any period reported.

Derivative financial instruments primarily include foreign exchange forward contracts. The principal currencies hedged against changes in the U.S. dollar are the Euro, British pound, Japanese yen, and Canadian dollar. The fair value of the Company's derivative financial instruments is determined using pricing models based on current market rates. Derivative financial instruments in an asset position are recorded in other current assets or other long-term assets in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets. Derivative financial instruments in a liability position are recorded in accrued expenses and other current liabilities or lease incentives and other long-term liabilities in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

We maintain the Gap Inc. Deferred Compensation Plan ("DCP"), which allows eligible employees to defer compensation up to a maximum amount. Plan investments are recorded at market value and are designated for the DCP. The fair value of the Company's DCP assets is determined based on quoted market prices, and the assets are recorded in other long-term assets in the Condensed Consolidated Balance Sheets.

Nonfinancial Assets

We review the carrying amount of long-lived assets for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount of an asset may not be recoverable. We review the carrying amount of goodwill and other indefinite-lived intangible assets for impairment annually and whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that it is more likely than not that the carrying amount may not be recoverable.

There were no impairment charges recorded for goodwill or other indefinite-lived intangible assets for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 or October 29, 2011. There were no material impairment charges recorded for other long-lived assets for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 or October 29, 2011.

Note 6. Derivative Financial Instruments

We operate in foreign countries, which exposes us to market risk associated with foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations. Our risk management policy is to hedge a portion of our transactions related to merchandise purchases for foreign operations and certain intercompany transactions using foreign exchange forward contracts. The principal currencies hedged against changes in the U.S. dollar are the Euro, British pound, Japanese yen, and Canadian dollar. We do not enter into derivative financial contracts for trading purposes. Cash flows from derivative financial instruments are classified as cash flows from operating activities in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows.

Cash Flow Hedges

We designate the following foreign exchange forward contracts as cash flow hedges: (1) forward contracts used to hedge forecasted merchandise purchases and related costs denominated primarily in U.S. dollars made by our international subsidiaries whose functional currencies are their local currencies; (2) forward contracts used to hedge forecasted intercompany royalty payments denominated in Japanese yen and Canadian dollars received by entities whose functional currencies are U.S. dollars; and (3) forward contracts used to hedge forecasted intercompany revenue transactions related to merchandise sold from our regional purchasing entity, whose functional currency is the U.S. dollar, to certain international subsidiaries in their local currencies of Euro and British pounds. The foreign exchange forward contracts entered into to hedge forecasted merchandise purchases and related costs, intercompany royalty payments, and intercompany revenue transactions generally have terms of up to 18 months.

During the thirteen weeks ended April 30, 2011, we entered into and settled treasury rate lock agreements in anticipation of issuing the 5.95 percent fixed-rate Notes of \$1.25 billion in April 2011. Prior to the issuance of the Notes, we were subject to changes in interest rates, and we therefore locked into fixed-rate coupons to hedge against the interest rate fluctuations. The gain related to the treasury rate lock agreements is reported as a component of other comprehensive income ("OCI") and is recognized in income over the life of the Notes.

There were no material amounts recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 or October 29, 2011 as a result of hedge ineffectiveness, hedge components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness, or the discontinuance of cash flow hedges because the forecasted transactions were no longer probable.

Net Investment Hedges

We also use foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge the net assets of international subsidiaries to offset the foreign currency translation and economic exposures related to our investment in the subsidiaries.

There were no amounts recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income for the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 or October 29, 2011 as a result of hedge ineffectiveness, hedge components excluded from the assessment of effectiveness, or the discontinuance of net investment hedges.

Other Derivatives Not Designated as Hedging Instruments

We use foreign exchange forward contracts to hedge our market risk exposure associated with foreign currency exchange rate fluctuations for certain intercompany balances denominated in currencies other than the functional currency of the entity with the intercompany balance. The gain or loss on the derivative financial instruments, as well as the remeasurement of the underlying intercompany balances, is recorded in operating expenses in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income in the same period and generally offset. We generally enter into foreign exchange forward contracts as needed to hedge intercompany balances that bear foreign exchange risk.

Outstanding Notional Amounts

As of October 27, 2012, January 28, 2012, and October 29, 2011, we had foreign exchange forward contracts outstanding in the following notional amounts:

| (notional amounts in millions) | October 27, 2012 | January 28, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| U.S. dollars (1) | \$1,091 | \$873 | \$1,042 |
| British pounds | £9 | £31 | £41 |
| Japanese yen | ¥945 | ¥2,564 | ¥6,238 |
| Euro | €26 | €16 | €— |

(1) The principal currencies hedged against changes in the U.S. dollar were the Euro, British pound, Japanese yen, and Canadian dollar.

Contingent Features

We had no derivative financial instruments with credit-risk-related contingent features underlying the agreements as of October 27, 2012, January 28, 2012, or October 29, 2011.

Quantitative Disclosures about Derivative Financial Instruments

The fair values of foreign exchange forward contracts are as follows:

| (\$ in millions) | October 27, 2012 | January 28, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Derivatives designated as cash flow hedges: | | | |
| Other current assets | \$9 | \$9 | \$3 |
| Other long-term assets | \$1 | \$1 | \$1 |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | \$8 | \$10 | \$24 |
| Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities | \$3 | \$— | \$4 |
| Derivatives designated as net investment hedges: | | | |
| Other current assets | \$— | \$— | \$1 |
| Other long-term assets | \$— | \$— | \$— |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | \$— | \$— | \$2 |
| Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities | \$— | \$— | \$— |
| Derivatives not designated as hedging instruments: | | | |
| Other current assets | \$2 | \$3 | \$2 |
| Other long-term assets | \$— | \$— | \$— |
| Accrued expenses and other current liabilities | \$3 | \$4 | \$7 |
| Lease incentives and other long-term liabilities | \$— | \$— | \$— |
| Total derivatives in an asset position | \$12 | \$13 | \$7 |

| | | | |
|---|------|------|------|
| Total derivatives in a liability position | \$14 | \$14 | \$37 |
|---|------|------|------|

Substantially all of the unrealized gains and losses from designated cash flow hedges as of October 27, 2012 will be recognized in income within the next 12 months at the then-current values, which may differ from the fair values as of October 27, 2012 shown above.

See Note 5 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures on the fair value measurements of our derivative financial instruments.

The effective portion of gains and losses on foreign exchange forward contracts in cash flow hedging and net investment hedging relationships recorded in OCI and the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, on a pre-tax basis, are as follows:

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Derivatives in cash flow hedging relationships: | | | | |
| Gain (loss) recognized in other comprehensive income | \$ (5 |) \$ 16 | \$ 3 | \$ (38 |
| Gain (loss) reclassified into cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses | \$ 2 | \$ (16 |) \$ 3 | \$ (37 |
| Gain (loss) reclassified into operating expenses | \$ — | \$ (1 |) \$ — | \$ (4 |

Derivatives in net investment hedging relationships:

| | | | | |
|--|-------|---------|--------|-------|
| Gain (loss) recognized in other comprehensive income | \$ (1 |) \$ (1 |) \$ 2 | \$ (3 |
|--|-------|---------|--------|-------|

For the thirteen and thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, there were no amounts of gain or loss reclassified from OCI into income for derivative financial instruments in net investment hedging relationships, as we did not sell or liquidate (or substantially liquidate) any of our hedged subsidiaries during the periods.

During the thirty-nine weeks ended October 29, 2011, there was a gain of \$1 million recognized in OCI related to treasury rate lock agreements, which is recognized in income over the life of the 5.95 percent Notes.

Gains and losses on foreign exchange forward contracts not designated as hedging instruments recorded in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, on a pre-tax basis are as follows:

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Gain (loss) recognized in operating expenses | \$ (3 |) \$ 6 | \$ 1 | \$ 4 |

Note 7. Share Repurchases

Share repurchase activity is as follows:

| (\$ and shares in millions except average per share cost) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Number of shares repurchased | 2.7 | 39.2 | 16.5 | 106.5 |
| Total cost | \$ 96 | \$ 645 | \$ 463 | \$ 2,013 |
| Average per share cost including commissions | \$ 35.73 | \$ 16.46 | \$ 28.01 | \$ 18.90 |

Between August 2010 and November 2011, we announced that the Board of Directors authorized a total of \$3.25 billion for share repurchases, of which \$443 million under the November 2011 authorization was remaining as of January 28, 2012. In February 2012, we announced that the Board of Directors approved a new \$1 billion share repurchase authorization that replaced the November 2011 authorization and cancelled the remaining \$441 million under the November 2011 authorization as of February 23, 2012. As of October 27, 2012, there was \$539 million remaining under the February 2012 authorization.

All of the share repurchases were paid for as of October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011. All except \$4 million of total share repurchases were paid for as of January 28, 2012.

Note 8. Share-Based Compensation

Share-based compensation expense recognized in the Condensed Consolidated Statements of Income, primarily in operating expenses, is as follows:

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Stock units | \$28 | \$11 | \$71 | \$35 |
| Stock options | 5 | 4 | 13 | 12 |
| Employee stock purchase plan | 1 | 1 | 3 | 3 |
| Share-based compensation expense | 34 | 16 | 87 | 50 |
| Less: Income tax benefit | (13 |) (7 |) (33 |) (20 |
| Share-based compensation expense, net of tax | \$21 | \$9 | \$54 | \$30 |

Note 9. Income Taxes

The Company conducts business globally, and as a result, files income tax returns in the U.S. federal jurisdiction and various state and foreign jurisdictions. In the normal course of business, we are subject to examination by taxing authorities throughout the world, including such major jurisdictions as the United States, Canada, France, China, Hong Kong, Japan, the United Kingdom, and India. We are no longer subject to U.S. federal income tax examinations for fiscal years before 2009, and with few exceptions, we are also no longer subject to U.S. state, local, or non-U.S. income tax examinations for fiscal years before 2003.

As of October 27, 2012, we do not anticipate any significant changes in total gross unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months.

Except where required by U.S. tax law, no provision has been made for U.S. income taxes on the undistributed earnings of our foreign subsidiaries when we intend to utilize those earnings in foreign operations for an indefinite period of time.

Note 10. Earnings Per Share

Weighted-average number of shares used for earnings per share is as follows:

| (shares in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Weighted-average number of shares - basic | 481 | 503 | 485 | 542 |
| Common stock equivalents | 7 | 2 | 6 | 5 |
| Weighted-average number of shares - diluted | 488 | 505 | 491 | 547 |

There were no material shares with an anti-dilutive effect on earnings per share for the thirteen weeks ended October 27, 2012. The above computations of weighted-average number of shares – diluted exclude 16 million shares related to stock options and other stock awards for the thirteen weeks ended October 29, 2011 and 2 million and 12 million shares related to stock options and other stock awards for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, respectively, as their inclusion would have an anti-dilutive effect on earnings per share.

Note 11. Commitments and Contingencies

As a multinational company, we are subject to various proceedings, lawsuits, disputes, and claims (“Actions”) arising in the ordinary course of our business. Many of these Actions raise complex factual and legal issues and are subject to uncertainties. As of October 27, 2012, Actions filed against us included commercial, intellectual property, customer, employment, and data privacy claims, including class action lawsuits. The plaintiffs in some Actions seek unspecified damages or injunctive relief or both. Actions are in various procedural stages and some are covered in part by insurance. As of October 27, 2012, January 28, 2012, and October 29, 2011, we recorded a liability for an estimated loss if the outcome of an Action is expected to result in a loss that is considered probable and reasonably estimable.

The liability recorded as of October 27, 2012, January 28, 2012, and October 29, 2011 was not material for any individual Action or in total. Subsequent to October 27, 2012 and through the filing date of this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, no information has become available that indicates a material change to our estimate is required.

We cannot predict with assurance the outcome of Actions brought against us. Accordingly, developments, settlements, or resolutions may occur and impact income in the quarter of such development, settlement, or resolution. However, we do not believe that the outcome of any current Action would have a material effect on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows taken as a whole.

We are a party to a variety of contractual agreements under which we may be obligated to indemnify the other party for certain matters. These contracts primarily relate to our commercial contracts, operating leases, trademarks, intellectual property, financial agreements, and various other agreements. Under these contracts, we may provide certain routine indemnifications relating to representations and warranties (e.g., ownership of assets, environmental or tax indemnifications) or personal injury matters. The terms of these indemnifications range in duration and may not be explicitly defined. Generally, the maximum obligation under such indemnifications is not explicitly stated, and as a result, the overall amount of these obligations cannot be reasonably estimated. Historically, we have not made significant payments for such indemnifications. We believe that if we were to incur a loss in any of these matters, the loss would not have a material effect on our financial position, results of operations, or cash flows taken as a whole.

Note 12. Segment Information

We identify our operating segments according to how our business activities are managed and evaluated. All of our operating segments sell a group of similar products – apparel, accessories, and personal care products. We have two reportable segments:

Stores – The Stores reportable segment includes the results of the retail stores for Gap, Old Navy, and Banana Republic. We have aggregated the results of all Stores operating segments into one reportable segment because the operating segments have similar economic characteristics.

Direct – The Direct reportable segment includes the results for our online brands, including Piperlime and Athleta.

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Net sales by brand, region, and reportable segment are as follows:

| (\$ in millions) | | | | | | | | Percentage | |
|---------------------------------|---------|----------|-----------------|---------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----|--------------|--|
| 13 Weeks Ended October 27, 2012 | Gap | Old Navy | Banana Republic | Franchise (3) | Piperlime and Athleta | Total (4) | | of Net Sales | |
| U.S. (1) | \$838 | \$1,194 | \$515 | \$— | \$— | \$2,547 | 66 | % | |
| Canada | 93 | 107 | 55 | — | — | 255 | 7 | | |
| Europe | 165 | — | 15 | 15 | — | 195 | 5 | | |
| Asia | 245 | 3 | 35 | 23 | — | 306 | 8 | | |
| Other regions | — | — | — | 52 | — | 52 | 1 | | |
| Total Stores reportable segment | 1,341 | 1,304 | 620 | 90 | — | 3,355 | 87 | | |
| Direct reportable segment (2) | 146 | 210 | 64 | — | 89 | 509 | 13 | | |
| Total | \$1,487 | \$1,514 | \$684 | \$90 | \$89 | \$3,864 | 100 | % | |
| Sales growth | 5 | % 9 | % 8 | % 11 | % 31 | % 8 | | | |
| (\$ in millions) | | | | | | | | Percentage | |
| 13 Weeks Ended October 29, 2011 | Gap | Old Navy | Banana Republic | Franchise (3) | Piperlime and Athleta | Total (4) | | of Net Sales | |
| U.S. (1) | \$819 | \$1,105 | \$495 | \$— | \$— | \$2,419 | 67 | % | |
| Canada | 89 | 100 | 48 | — | — | 237 | 7 | | |
| Europe | 171 | — | 13 | 22 | — | 206 | 6 | | |
| Asia | 219 | — | 31 | 21 | — | 271 | 7 | | |
| Other regions | — | — | — | 38 | — | 38 | 1 | | |
| Total Stores reportable segment | 1,298 | 1,205 | 587 | 81 | — | 3,171 | 88 | | |
| Direct reportable segment (2) | 121 | 178 | 47 | — | 68 | 414 | 12 | | |
| Total | \$1,419 | \$1,383 | \$634 | \$81 | \$68 | \$3,585 | 100 | % | |
| Sales growth (decline) | (3 |)% (5 |)% 2 | % 47 | % 21 | % (2 |)% | | |
| (\$ in millions) | | | | | | | | Percentage | |
| 39 Weeks Ended October 27, 2012 | Gap | Old Navy | Banana Republic | Franchise (3) | Piperlime and Athleta | Total (4) | | of Net Sales | |
| U.S. (1) | \$2,351 | \$3,486 | \$1,516 | \$— | \$— | \$7,353 | 68 | % | |
| Canada | 244 | 285 | 147 | — | — | 676 | 6 | | |
| Europe | 474 | — | 47 | 48 | — | 569 | 5 | | |
| Asia | 716 | 5 | 104 | 63 | — | 888 | 8 | | |
| Other regions | — | — | — | 137 | — | 137 | 1 | | |
| Total Stores reportable segment | 3,785 | 3,776 | 1,814 | 248 | — | 9,623 | 88 | | |
| Direct reportable segment (2) | 352 | 511 | 162 | — | 278 | 1,303 | 12 | | |
| Total | \$4,137 | \$4,287 | \$1,976 | \$248 | \$278 | \$10,926 | 100 | % | |
| Sales growth | 4 | % 6 | % 8 | % 21 | % 31 | % 6 | | | |
| (\$ in millions) | | | | | | | | Percentage | |
| 39 Weeks Ended October 29, 2011 | Gap | Old Navy | Banana Republic | Franchise (3) | Piperlime and Athleta | Total (4) | | of Net Sales | |
| U.S. (1) | \$2,296 | \$3,335 | \$1,444 | \$— | \$— | \$7,075 | 69 | % | |
| Canada | 235 | 283 | 134 | — | — | 652 | 6 | | |
| Europe | 501 | — | 37 | 53 | — | 591 | 6 | | |
| Asia | 635 | — | 90 | 56 | — | 781 | 8 | | |
| Other regions | — | — | — | 96 | — | 96 | 1 | | |
| | 3,667 | 3,618 | 1,705 | 205 | — | 9,195 | 90 | | |

Total Stores reportable
segment

| | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------|-------|----------|-----|---|
| Direct reportable segment (2) | 294 | 440 | 125 | — | 212 | 1,071 | 10 | |
| Total | \$3,961 | \$4,058 | \$1,830 | \$205 | \$212 | \$10,266 | 100 | % |
| Sales growth (decline) | (1 |)% | (3 |)% | 1 | % | 47 | % |
| | | | | | 20 | % | — | % |

(1) U.S. includes the United States and Puerto Rico.

Online sales shipped from distribution centers located outside the U.S. were \$44 million (\$33 million for Canada and \$11 million for Europe) and \$34 million (\$24 million for Canada and \$10 million for Europe) for the thirteen weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, respectively. Online sales shipped from distribution centers (2) located outside the U.S. were \$108 million (\$76 million for Canada and \$32 million for Europe) and \$84 million (\$58 million for Canada and \$26 million for Europe) for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, respectively.

Franchise sales were \$90 million (\$78 million for Gap and \$12 million for Banana Republic) and \$81 million (\$71 million for Gap and \$10 million for Banana Republic) for the thirteen weeks ended October 27, 2012 and (3) October 29, 2011, respectively. Franchise sales were \$248 million (\$217 million for Gap and \$31 million for Banana Republic) and \$205 million (\$179 million for Gap and \$26 million for Banana Republic) for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, respectively.

Net sales outside of the U.S. and Canada (including Direct and franchise) were \$564 million and \$525 million for (4) the thirteen weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, respectively. Net sales outside of the U.S. and Canada (including Direct and franchise) were \$1.6 billion and \$1.5 billion for the thirty-nine weeks ended October 27, 2012 and October 29, 2011, respectively.

Gap and Banana Republic outlet retail sales are reflected within the respective results of each brand.

Financial Information for Reportable Segments

Operating income is a primary measure of profit we use to make decisions on allocating resources to our operating segments and to assess the operating performance of each operating segment. It is defined as income before interest expense, interest income, and income taxes. Corporate expenses are allocated to each operating segment and recorded in operating income on a rational and systematic basis.

Reportable segment assets presented below include those assets that are directly used in, or allocable to, that segment's operations. Total assets for the Stores reportable segment primarily consist of merchandise inventory, the net book value of store assets, and prepaid expenses and receivables related to store operations. Total assets for the Direct reportable segment primarily consist of merchandise inventory, the net book value of information technology and distribution center assets, and the net book value of goodwill and trade name as a result of the acquisition of Athleta. We do not allocate corporate assets to our operating segments. Unallocated corporate assets primarily include cash and cash equivalents, short-term investments, the net book value of corporate property and equipment, and tax-related assets.

Selected financial information by reportable segment and reconciliations to our consolidated totals are as follows:

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Operating income: | | | | |
| Stores | \$403 | \$255 | \$1,043 | \$836 |
| Direct | 117 | 91 | 297 | 230 |
| Operating income | \$520 | \$346 | \$1,340 | \$1,066 |
| (\$ in millions) | | October 27, 2012 | January 28, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Segment Assets: | | | | |
| Stores | \$3,903 | \$3,315 | \$4,002 | |
| Direct | 734 | 591 | 639 | |
| Unallocated | 3,370 | 3,516 | 3,016 | |
| Total assets | \$8,007 | \$7,422 | \$7,657 | |

Net sales by region are allocated based on the location in which the sale was originated. Store sales are allocated based on the location of the store and online sales are allocated based on the location of the distribution center from which the products were shipped. Net sales by geographic location are as follows:

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| U.S. (1) | \$3,012 | \$2,799 | \$8,548 | \$8,062 |
| Canada | 288 | 261 | 752 | 710 |
| Total North America | 3,300 | 3,060 | 9,300 | 8,772 |
| Other foreign | 564 | 525 | 1,626 | 1,494 |

| | | | | |
|-----------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|
| Total net sales | \$3,864 | \$3,585 | \$10,926 | \$10,266 |
|-----------------|---------|---------|----------|----------|

(1) U.S. includes the United States and Puerto Rico.

Item 2. Management's Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations
FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q contains forward-looking statements within the “safe harbor” provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. All statements other than those that are purely historical are forward-looking statements. Words such as “expect,” “anticipate,” “believe,” “estimate,” “intend,” “plan,” “project,” and similar expressions also identify forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the following:

- the impact of the adoption of the new accounting standards update on our consolidated financial statements;
- changes in total gross unrecognized tax benefits within the next 12 months;
- the outcome of proceedings, lawsuits, disputes, and claims;
- the impact of losses due to indemnification obligations;
- earnings per share for fiscal 2012;
- improving sales with healthy merchandise margins;
- investing in our business while maintaining discipline;
- delivering earnings per share growth;
- returning excess cash to shareholders;
- improving comparable store sales;
- growing revenues;
- opening additional stores, including outlets, in Asia and Canada;
- continuing to open franchise stores worldwide;
- opening additional Athleta stores;
- the net openings of Company-operated store locations in fiscal 2012;
- square footage change in fiscal 2012;
- the number of new franchise stores, net of closures, in fiscal 2012;
- operating margin and deleveraging operating expenses in fiscal 2012;
- the effective tax rate in fiscal 2012;
- current cash balances and cash flows being sufficient to support our business operations, including growth initiatives and planned capital expenditures;
- ability to supplement near-term liquidity, if necessary, with our \$500 million revolving credit facility;
- the impact of the seasonality of our operations on certain asset and liability accounts;
 - depreciation and amortization expense in fiscal 2012;
- capital expenditures in fiscal 2012; and
- dividend payments in fiscal 2012.

Because these forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, there are important factors that could cause our actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. These factors include, without limitation, the following:

- the risk that adoption of new accounting pronouncements will impact future results;
- the risk that changes in general economic conditions or consumer spending patterns could adversely impact our results of operations;
- the highly competitive nature of our business in the United States and internationally;
- the risk that we or our franchisees will be unsuccessful in gauging apparel trends and changing consumer preferences;
- the risk to our business associated with global sourcing and manufacturing, including sourcing costs, events causing disruptions in product shipment, or an inability to secure sufficient manufacturing capacity;
- the risk that our efforts to expand internationally may not be successful;
- the risk that our franchisees will be unable to successfully open, operate, and grow their franchised stores in a manner consistent with our requirements regarding our brand identities and customer experience standards;
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the risk that we or our franchisees will be unsuccessful in identifying, negotiating, and securing new store locations and renewing, modifying or terminating leases for existing store locations effectively;

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- the risk that comparable sales and margins will experience fluctuations;
- the risk that changes in our credit profile or deterioration in market conditions may limit our access to the capital markets and adversely impact our financial results and our ability to service our debt while maintaining other initiatives;
- the risk that trade matters could increase the cost or reduce the supply of apparel available to us and adversely affect our business, financial condition, and results of operations;
- the risk that updates or changes to our information technology systems may disrupt our operations;
- the risk that actual or anticipated cyber attacks, and other cybersecurity risks, may cause us to incur increasing costs;
- the risk that natural disasters, public health crises, political crises, or other catastrophic events could adversely affect our operations and financial results;
- the risk that acts or omissions by our third-party vendors, including a failure to comply with our code of vendor conduct, could have a negative impact on our reputation or operations;
- the risk that we do not repurchase some or all of the shares we anticipate purchasing pursuant to our share repurchase program;
- the risk that we will not be successful in defending various proceedings, lawsuits, disputes, claims, and audits; and
- the risk that changes in the regulatory or administrative landscape could adversely affect our financial condition, strategies, and results of operations.

Additional information regarding factors that could cause results to differ can be found in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012 and our other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

Future economic and industry trends that could potentially impact net sales and profitability are difficult to predict. These forward-looking statements are based on information as of December 3, 2012, and we assume no obligation to publicly update or revise our forward-looking statements even if experience or future changes make it clear that any projected results expressed or implied therein will not be realized.

We suggest that this document be read in conjunction with Management's Discussion and Analysis included in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012.

OUR BUSINESS

We are a leading global specialty apparel company. We offer apparel, accessories, and personal care products for men, women, children, and babies under the Gap, Old Navy, Banana Republic, Piperlime, and Athleta brands. We have Company-operated stores in the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, France, Ireland, Japan, China, and Italy. We also have franchise agreements with unaffiliated franchisees to operate Gap and Banana Republic stores in many other countries around the world. Under these agreements, third parties operate, or will operate, stores that sell apparel and related products under our brand names. Our products are also available to customers online in over 80 countries through Company-owned websites and using third parties that provide logistics and fulfillment services. Most of the products sold under our brand names are designed by us and manufactured by independent sources. We also sell products that are designed and manufactured by branded third parties.

We identify our operating segments based on the way we manage and evaluate our business activities. We have two reportable segments: Stores and Direct.

OVERVIEW

Financial highlights for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 are as follows:

Net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 increased 8 percent to \$3.9 billion compared with \$3.6 billion for the third quarter of fiscal 2011. Comparable sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2012, which include the associated comparable online sales, increased 6 percent compared with a 5 percent decrease for the third quarter of fiscal 2011. Direct net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 increased 23 percent to \$509 million compared with \$414 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2011. Our Direct reportable segment includes sales for each of our online brands, including Piperlime and Athleta.

Net sales outside of the U.S. and Canada (including Direct and franchise) increased 7 percent to \$564 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 compared with \$525 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2011.

Gross profit for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 was \$1.6 billion compared with \$1.3 billion for the third quarter of fiscal 2011. Gross margin for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 was 41.2 percent compared with 36.7 percent for the third quarter of fiscal 2011.

- Operating expenses for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 were \$1.1 billion compared with \$968 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2011 and increased 0.8 percent as a percentage of net sales.

Net income for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 increased 60 percent to \$308 million compared with \$193 million for the third quarter of fiscal 2011, and diluted earnings per share increased 66 percent to \$0.63 for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 compared with \$0.38 for the third quarter of fiscal 2011. For fiscal 2012, we expect diluted earnings per share to be in the range of \$2.20 to \$2.25.

During the first three quarters of fiscal 2012, we generated free cash flow of \$776 million compared with free cash flow of \$222 million for the first three quarters of fiscal 2011. Free cash flow is defined as net cash provided by operating activities less purchases of property and equipment. For a reconciliation of free cash flow, a non-GAAP measure, from a GAAP financial measure, see the Liquidity and Capital Resources section.

Our full year business and financial priorities for fiscal 2012 remain as follows:

- improve sales with healthy merchandise margins;
- invest in our business while maintaining discipline;
- deliver earnings per share growth; and
- return excess cash to shareholders.

As we focus on improving comparable store sales in fiscal 2012, we also plan to grow revenues through the following:

- opening additional stores, many of which will be outlets, in Asia and Canada;
- continuing to open franchise stores worldwide; and
- opening additional Athleta stores.

RESULTS OF OPERATIONS

Net Sales

Net sales primarily consist of retail sales, online sales, and franchise revenues.

See Item 1, Financial Statements, Note 12 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for net sales by brand, region, and reportable segment.

Comparable Sales

The percentage change in comparable (“Comp”) sales by brand and region and for total Company, including the associated comparable online sales, as compared with the preceding year, is as follows:

| | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | |
| Gap North America | 7 | % (6 |)% 6 | % (4 |)% |
| Old Navy North America | 9 | % (4 |)% 6 | % (2 |)% |
| Banana Republic North America | 6 | % (1 |)% 6 | % (1 |)% |
| International | (3 |)% (10 |)% (4 |)% (7 |)% |
| The Gap, Inc. | 6 | % (5 |)% 5 | % (3 |)% |

The percentage change in Comp store sales by brand and region and for total Company, excluding the associated comparable online sales, as compared with the preceding year, is as follows:

| | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|----|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | |
| Gap North America | 4 | % (8 |)% 5 | % (6 |)% |
| Old Navy North America | 8 | % (8 |)% 4 | % (5 |)% |
| Banana Republic North America | 3 | % (3 |)% 4 | % (3 |)% |
| International | (3 |)% (11 |)% (5 |)% (8 |)% |
| The Gap, Inc. | 4 | % (7 |)% 3 | % (5 |)% |

Only Company-operated stores are included in the calculations of Comp sales. Gap and Banana Republic outlet Comp sales are reflected within the respective results of each brand. The calculation of total company Comp sales excludes the results of our franchise business, Piperlime, and Athleta.

A store is included in the Comp sales calculations when it has been open for at least one year and the selling square footage has not changed by 15 percent or more within the past year. A store is included in the Comp sales calculations on the first day it has comparable prior year sales. Stores in which the selling square footage has changed by 15 percent or more as a result of a remodel, expansion, or reduction are excluded from the Comp sales calculations until the first day they have comparable prior year sales.

A store is considered non-comparable (“Non-comp”) when it has been open for less than one year or has changed its selling square footage by 15 percent or more within the past year.

A store is considered “Closed” if it is temporarily closed for three or more full consecutive days or it is permanently closed. When a temporarily closed store reopens, the store will be placed in the Comp/Non-comp status it was in prior to its closure. If a store was in Closed status for three or more days in the prior year, the store will be in Non-comp status for the same days the following year.

Comparable online sales include sales through online channels and are reported based on the location of the distribution center.

Current year foreign exchange rates are applied to both current year and prior year Comp sales to achieve a consistent basis for comparison.

Store Count and Square Footage Information

Net sales per average square foot is as follows:

| | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Net sales per average square foot (1) | \$89 | \$82 | \$255 | \$238 |

(1)Excludes net sales associated with our online, catalog, and franchise businesses.

Store count, openings, closings, and square footage for our stores are as follows:

| | January 28, 2012 | 39 Weeks Ended October 27, 2012 | | October 27, 2012 | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | Number of Store Locations | Number of Stores Opened | Number of Stores Closed | Number of Store Locations | Square Footage (in millions) |
| Gap North America | 1,043 | 15 | 42 | 1,016 | 10.5 |
| Gap Europe | 193 | 4 | 1 | 196 | 1.7 |
| Gap Asia | 152 | 26 | 3 | 175 | 1.7 |
| Old Navy North America | 1,016 | 17 | 20 | 1,013 | 17.7 |
| Old Navy Asia | — | 1 | — | 1 | — |
| Banana Republic North America | 581 | 15 | 7 | 589 | 4.9 |
| Banana Republic Asia | 31 | 8 | 2 | 37 | 0.2 |
| Banana Republic Europe | 10 | — | — | 10 | 0.1 |
| Athleta North America | 10 | 20 | — | 30 | 0.1 |
| Piperlime North America | — | 1 | — | 1 | — |
| Company-operated stores total | 3,036 | 107 | 75 | 3,068 | 36.9 |
| Franchise | 227 | 55 | 11 | 271 | N/A |
| Total | 3,263 | 162 | 86 | 3,339 | 36.9 |
| Increase (decrease) over prior year | | | | 1.9 | % (1.9)% |

| | January 29, 2011 | 39 Weeks Ended October 29, 2011 | | October 29, 2011 | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| | Number of Store Locations | Number of Stores Opened | Number of Stores Closed | Number of Store Locations | Square Footage (in millions) |
| Gap North America | 1,111 | 16 | 41 | 1,086 | 11.1 |
| Gap Europe | 184 | 12 | 5 | 191 | 1.7 |
| Gap Asia | 135 | 11 | 5 | 141 | 1.3 |
| Old Navy North America | 1,027 | 21 | 26 | 1,022 | 18.3 |
| Banana Republic North America | 576 | 11 | 4 | 583 | 4.9 |
| Banana Republic Asia | 29 | 1 | 1 | 29 | 0.2 |
| Banana Republic Europe | 5 | 4 | — | 9 | 0.1 |
| Athleta North America | 1 | 3 | — | 4 | — |
| Company-operated stores total | 3,068 | 79 | 82 | 3,065 | 37.6 |
| Franchise | 178 | 36 | 3 | 211 | N/A |
| Total | 3,246 | 115 | 85 | 3,276 | 37.6 |
| Increase (decrease) over prior year | | | | 0.9 | % (2.1)% |

Gap and Banana Republic outlet stores are reflected in each of the respective brands. We have franchise agreements with unaffiliated franchisees to operate Gap and Banana Republic stores throughout Asia, Australia, Eastern Europe, Latin America, the Middle East, and Africa.

In fiscal 2012, we expect net openings of about 15 Company-operated store locations. We expect square footage for Company-operated stores to decrease about 1 percent at the end of fiscal 2012 compared with the end of fiscal 2011. We expect our franchisees to open about 50 to 75 new franchise stores, net of closures, in fiscal 2012.

Net Sales

Our net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 increased \$279 million, or 8 percent, compared with the prior year comparable period due to an increase in net sales of \$184 million related to our Stores reportable segment and an increase in net sales of \$95 million related to our Direct reportable segment.

For the Stores reportable segment, our net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 increased \$184 million, or 6 percent, compared with the prior year comparable period. The increase was primarily due to an increase in Comp store sales, excluding the associated comparable online sales, for the U.S. and Canada and incremental sales for new international stores.

For the Direct reportable segment, our net sales for the third quarter of fiscal 2012 increased \$95 million, or 23 percent, compared with the prior year comparable period. The increase was due to growth in our online business across all brands including the incremental sales related to new Athleta stores.

In the third quarter of fiscal 2012, our net sales for the U.S. and Canada (including Direct) were \$3.3 billion, an increase of \$240 million, or 8 percent, compared with \$3.1 billion for the prior year comparable period. In the third quarter of fiscal 2012, our net sales outside of the U.S. and Canada (including Direct and franchise) were \$564 million, an increase of \$39 million, or 7 percent, compared with \$525 million for the prior year comparable period. Our net sales for the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 increased \$660 million, or 6 percent, compared with the prior year comparable period due to an increase in net sales of \$428 million related to our Stores reportable segment and an increase in net sales of \$232 million related to our Direct reportable segment.

For the Stores reportable segment, our net sales for the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 increased \$428 million, or 5 percent, compared with the prior year comparable period. The increase was primarily due to an increase in Comp store sales, excluding the associated comparable online sales, for the U.S. and Canada, incremental sales for new international stores, and higher franchise net sales; partially offset by the unfavorable impact of foreign exchange of \$29 million. The foreign exchange impact is the translation impact if net sales for the first three quarters of fiscal 2011 were translated at exchange rates applicable during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012.

For the Direct reportable segment, our net sales for the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 increased \$232 million, or 22 percent, compared with the prior year comparable period. The increase was due to growth in our online business across all brands and the incremental sales related to new Athleta stores.

During the first three quarters of fiscal 2012, our net sales for the U.S. and Canada (including Direct) were \$9.3 billion, an increase of \$528 million, or 6 percent, compared with \$8.8 billion for the prior year comparable period.

During the first three quarters of fiscal 2012, our net sales outside of the U.S. and Canada (including Direct and franchise) were \$1.6 billion, an increase of \$132 million, or 9 percent, compared with \$1.5 billion for the prior year comparable period.

Cost of Goods Sold and Occupancy Expenses

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | | |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | |
| Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses | \$2,271 | \$2,271 | \$6,531 | \$6,397 | |
| Gross profit | \$1,593 | \$1,314 | \$4,395 | \$3,869 | |
| Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses as a percentage of net sales | 58.8 | % 63.3 | % 59.8 | % 62.3 | % |
| Gross margin | 41.2 | % 36.7 | % 40.2 | % 37.7 | % |

Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses as a percentage of net sales decreased 4.5 percent in the third quarter of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period.

Cost of goods sold decreased 3.3 percent as a percentage of net sales in the third quarter of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period. The decrease in cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales was primarily driven by decreased cost of merchandise as a result of lower cotton prices.

Occupancy expenses decreased 1.2 percent as a percentage of net sales in the third quarter of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period. The decrease in occupancy expenses as a percentage of net sales was primarily driven by higher net sales without a corresponding increase in occupancy expenses.

Cost of goods sold and occupancy expenses as a percentage of net sales decreased 2.5 percent during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period.

Cost of goods sold decreased 1.4 percent as a percentage of net sales during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period. The decrease in cost of goods sold as a percentage of net sales was primarily driven by improved product acceptance resulting in improved average unit selling price.

Occupancy expenses decreased 1.1 percent as a percentage of net sales during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period. The decrease in occupancy expenses as a percentage of net sales was

primarily driven by higher net sales without a corresponding increase in occupancy expenses.

Operating Expenses

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | |
| Operating expenses | \$1,073 | \$968 | \$3,055 | \$2,803 | |
| Operating expenses as a percentage of net sales | 27.8 | % 27.0 | % 28.0 | % 27.3 | % |
| Operating margin | 13.5 | % 9.7 | % 12.3 | % 10.4 | % |

Operating expenses increased \$105 million, or 0.8 percent as a percentage of net sales, in the third quarter of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period. The increase in operating expenses was primarily due to higher marketing expenses, driven largely by Gap brand marketing investments, higher store payroll expense, and bonus expense.

Operating expenses increased \$252 million, or 0.7 percent as a percentage of net sales, during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period. The increase in operating expenses was primarily due to higher marketing expenses, driven largely by investments in Gap brand marketing and customer relationship marketing, higher store payroll expense, and bonus expense.

Given our plans to continue investing in our business, we expect operating expenses to deleverage in the fourth quarter of fiscal 2012.

For fiscal 2012, we expect operating margin to be about 12 percent.

Interest Expense

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Interest expense | \$22 | \$22 | \$67 | \$50 |

Interest expense primarily consists of interest related to our \$1.25 billion long-term debt and our \$400 million term loan, of which the remaining \$360 million balance was repaid during the third quarter of fiscal 2012. The increase in interest expense during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable period was primarily due to the issuance of our \$1.25 billion long-term debt in April 2011 and the funding of our \$400 million term loan in May 2011.

Income Taxes

| (\$ in millions) | 13 Weeks Ended | | 39 Weeks Ended | | |
|--------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 | |
| Income taxes | \$191 | \$132 | \$493 | \$404 | |
| Effective tax rate | 38.3 | % 40.6 | % 38.6 | % 39.6 | % |

The decrease in the effective tax rate for the third quarter and the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the prior year comparable periods was primarily due to increases in income tax credits.

We currently expect the fiscal 2012 effective tax rate to be about 39.0 percent. The actual rate will ultimately depend on several variables, including the mix of income between domestic and international operations, the overall level of income, the potential resolution of outstanding tax contingencies, and changes in tax laws and rates.

LIQUIDITY AND CAPITAL RESOURCES

Our largest source of operating cash flows is cash collections from the sale of our merchandise. Our primary uses of cash include merchandise inventory purchases, occupancy costs, personnel-related expenses, purchases of property and equipment, and payments of taxes.

As of October 27, 2012, cash and cash equivalents and short-term investments were \$1.8 billion. As of October 27, 2012, the majority of our cash and cash equivalents was held in the U.S. and is generally accessible without any

limitations. We believe that current cash balances and cash flows from our operations will be sufficient to support our business operations, including growth initiatives and planned capital expenditures, for the next 12 months and beyond. We are also able to supplement near-term liquidity, if necessary, with our \$500 million revolving credit facility.

Cash Flows from Operating Activities

Net cash provided by operating activities during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 increased \$587 million compared with the prior year comparable period, primarily due to the following:

- an increase in net income in the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2011;
- an increase related to income tax payables, net of prepaid income taxes and other tax-related items, for the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2011 primarily due to the timing of tax payments;
- an increase related to accrued expenses and other current liabilities for the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2011 primarily due to a higher bonus accrual as of October 27, 2012 compared with the bonus accrual as of October 29, 2011; and
- an increase related to accounts payable for the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2011 primarily due to the volume and timing of payments.

We fund merchandise inventory expenditures during normal and peak periods through cash flows from operating activities and available cash. Our business follows a seasonal pattern with sales peaking over a total of about eight weeks during the end-of-year holiday period. The seasonality of our operations may lead to significant fluctuations in certain asset and liability accounts between fiscal year-end and subsequent interim periods.

For fiscal 2012, we expect depreciation and amortization expense, net of amortization of lease incentives, to be about \$475 million.

Cash Flows from Investing Activities

Our cash outflows from investing activities are primarily for capital expenditures and purchases of investments, while cash inflows are primarily proceeds from maturities of investments. Net cash used for investing activities during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 increased \$166 million compared with the prior year comparable period, primarily due to the following:

- \$50 million of net purchases of short-term investments in the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with \$75 million of net maturities in the first three quarters of fiscal 2011; and
- \$33 million more property and equipment purchases in the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2011.

For fiscal 2012, we expect capital expenditures to be about \$675 million.

Cash Flows from Financing Activities

Our cash outflows from financing activities consist primarily of repurchases of our common stock, dividend payments, and repayments of debt. Cash inflows primarily consist of proceeds from the issuance of debt and proceeds from issuances under share-based compensation plans, net of withholding tax payments. Net cash used for financing activities during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 increased \$391 million compared with the prior year comparable period, primarily due to the following:

- \$1.6 billion of proceeds from our issuance of long-term debt in the first three quarters of fiscal 2011; and
- \$400 million of payments of long-term debt in the first three quarters of fiscal 2012; partially offset by
- \$1.5 billion less repurchases of common stock in the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 compared with the first three quarters of fiscal 2011.

Free Cash Flow

Free cash flow is a non-GAAP financial measure. We believe free cash flow is an important metric because it represents a measure of how much cash a company has available for discretionary and non-discretionary items after the deduction of capital expenditures, as we require regular capital expenditures to build and maintain stores and purchase new equipment to improve our business. We use this metric internally, as we believe our sustained ability to generate free cash flow is an important driver of value creation. However, this non-GAAP financial measure is not intended to supersede or replace our GAAP results.

The following table reconciles free cash flow, a non-GAAP financial measure, from a GAAP financial measure.

| (\$ in millions) | 39 Weeks Ended | |
|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| | October 27, 2012 | October 29, 2011 |
| Net cash provided by operating activities | \$1,225 | \$638 |
| Less: Purchases of property and equipment | (449 |) (416 |
| Free cash flow | \$776 | \$222 |

Long-Term Debt

Long-term debt as of October 27, 2012 consists of our \$1.25 billion aggregate principal amount of 5.95 percent Notes due April 2021.

Credit Facilities

We have a \$500 million, five-year, unsecured revolving credit facility, which is scheduled to expire in April 2016. As of October 27, 2012, there were no borrowings under the Facility. The net availability of the Facility, reflecting \$66 million of outstanding standby letters of credit, was \$434 million as of October 27, 2012.

We also have two separate agreements that make unsecured uncommitted revolving credit facilities available for our operations in China. The 196 million Chinese yuan (\$31 million as of October 27, 2012) China Facilities expired in the third quarter of fiscal 2012 and they were subsequently renewed with an increased availability of 250 million Chinese yuan (\$40 million as of October 27, 2012) and no expiration date. As of October 27, 2012, there were borrowings of \$2 million (10 million Chinese yuan) at an annual interest rate of 5.04 percent under the China Facilities. There were also \$4 million in bank guarantees related to store leases under the China Facilities as of October 27, 2012.

As of October 27, 2012, we had a \$50 million, two-year, unsecured letter of credit agreement with an expiration date of September 2014. We had no material trade letters of credit issued under the letter of credit agreement as of October 27, 2012.

Dividend Policy

In determining whether and at what level to declare a dividend, we consider a number of factors including sustainability, operating performance, liquidity, and market conditions.

We paid a dividend of \$0.375 per share and \$0.3375 per share during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 and fiscal 2011, respectively. Including the dividends paid during the first three quarters of fiscal 2012 and the dividend of \$0.125 per share announced on November 12, 2012, we intend to pay an annual dividend per share of \$0.50 for fiscal 2012, which is an increase of 11 percent compared with \$0.45 for fiscal 2011.

Share Repurchases

Between August 2010 and November 2011, we announced that the Board of Directors authorized a total of \$3.25 billion for share repurchases, of which \$443 million under the November 2011 authorization was remaining as of January 28, 2012. In February 2012, we announced that the Board of Directors approved a new \$1 billion share repurchase authorization that replaced the November 2011 authorization and cancelled the \$441 million remaining under the November 2011 authorization as of February 23, 2012. As of October 27, 2012, there was \$539 million remaining under the February 2012 authorization.

During the first three quarters of fiscal 2012, we repurchased approximately 16.5 million shares for \$463 million, including commissions, at an average price per share of \$28.01.

Summary Disclosures about Contractual Cash Obligations and Commercial Commitments

There have been no significant changes to our contractual obligations and commercial commitments as disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K as of January 28, 2012, other than those which occur in the normal course of business. See Item 1, Financial Statements, Note 11 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures on commitments and contingencies.

Critical Accounting Policies and Estimates

There have been no significant changes to our critical accounting policies and estimates as discussed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012.

Item 3. Quantitative and Qualitative Disclosures About Market Risk.

Our market risk profile as of October 27, 2012 has not significantly changed since January 28, 2012, other than the repayment of our \$400 million, five-year unsecured term loan due April 2016 in August 2012. Our market risk profile as of January 28, 2012 is disclosed in our Annual Report on Form 10-K. See Item 1, Financial Statements, Notes 4, 5, and 6 of Notes to Condensed Consolidated Financial Statements for disclosures on our debt, investments, and derivative financial instruments.

Item 4. Controls and Procedures.

Evaluation of Disclosure Controls and Procedures

We carried out an evaluation, under the supervision and with the participation of management, including the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer, of the effectiveness of the design and operation of our disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rule 13a-15(e)) as of the end of the period covered by this Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q. Based upon that evaluation, the Chief Executive Officer and Chief Financial Officer concluded that the Company's disclosure controls and procedures are effective.

Changes in Internal Control over Financial Reporting

There was no change in the Company's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the Company's third quarter of fiscal 2012 that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the Company's internal control over financial reporting.

PART II – OTHER INFORMATION

Item 1. Legal Proceedings.

As a multinational company, we are subject to various proceedings, lawsuits, disputes, and claims arising in the ordinary course of our business. Many of these Actions raise complex factual and legal issues and are subject to uncertainties. Actions filed against us from time to time include commercial, intellectual property, customer, employment, and data privacy claims, including class action lawsuits. The plaintiffs in some Actions seek unspecified damages or injunctive relief, or both. Actions are in various procedural stages, and some are covered in part by insurance.

We cannot predict with assurance the outcome of Actions brought against us. Accordingly, developments, settlements, or resolutions may occur and impact income in the quarter of such development, settlement, or resolution. However, we do not believe that the outcome of any current Action would have a material effect on our financial results.

Item 1A. Risk Factors.

There have been no material changes in our risk factors from those disclosed in Part I, Item 1A of our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended January 28, 2012.

Item 2. Unregistered Sales of Equity Securities and Use of Proceeds.

The following table presents information with respect to purchases of common stock of the Company made during the thirteen weeks ended October 27, 2012 by The Gap, Inc. or any affiliated purchaser, as defined in Exchange Act Rule 10b-18(a)(3):

| | Total Number of Shares Purchased | Average Price Paid Per Share Including Commissions | Total Number of Shares Purchased as Part of Publicly Announced Plans or Programs | Maximum Number (or approximate dollar amount) of Shares that May Yet be Purchased Under the Plans or Programs (1) |
|--------------------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| Month #1 (July 29 - August 25) | 340,700 | \$35.20 | 340,700 | \$ 623 million |
| Month #2 (August 26 - September 29) | 2,013,600 | \$35.69 | 2,013,600 | \$ 551 million |
| Month #3 (September 30 - October 27) | 330,400 | \$36.54 | 330,400 | \$ 539 million |
| Total | 2,684,700 | \$35.73 | 2,684,700 | |

(1) On February 23, 2012, we announced that the Board of Directors approved a new \$1 billion share repurchase authorization. This authorization has no expiration date.

Item 6. Exhibits.

- 10.1* Agreement with Stefan Larsson dated April 26, 2012, and confirmed on April 27, 2012.
- 10.2* Amendment to Agreement with Stefan Larsson dated September 12, 2012, and confirmed on September 17, 2012.
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*Filed herewith.

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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.

THE GAP, INC.

Date: December 3, 2012

By /s/ Glenn K. Murphy
Glenn K. Murphy
Chairman and Chief Executive Officer

Date: December 3, 2012

By /s/ Sabrina L. Simmons
Sabrina L. Simmons
Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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