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Chai-Na-Ta Corp. Reports 2001 Third Quarter Results

LANGLEY, BRITISH COLUMBIA – November 14, 2001 – Chai-Na-Ta Corp. (TSE: "CC"; OTCBB: "CCCFF") today reported that revenue rose to \$4,429,000 in the third quarter ended September 30, 2001 from \$573,000 in the 2000 third quarter ended August 31, 2000.

The net loss was \$217,000 (\$0.02 per share) in the 2001 third quarter compared to a net loss of \$13,000 (\$0.00 per share) in the 2000 third quarter.

"Chai-Na-Ta's sizeable gain on debt forgiveness in 2000 will distort bottom line financial comparisons for the next several years. Nevertheless, we are tracking our forecast that earnings in 2001 will be around the breakeven level. Furthermore, we expect the Company to be profitable in 2002," said William Zen, Chai-Na-Ta's Chairman and Chief Executive Officer.

"We are achieving these results by focusing intensively on our market-leading position in our core business of ginseng farming, where we are accomplishing our goals for 2001 in terms of cost reduction, increasing efficiency and maximizing production," he added.

Revenue was \$12,225,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared to \$11,860,000 for the nine months ended August 31, 2000. "Virtually all of Chai-Na-Ta's crop sales in fiscal 2000 were completed by the end of May. Entering 2001, we determined that our strategy should be to spread sales more evenly over the year. Accordingly, our sales volume was strong during the third quarter and should be significant in the fourth quarter as well," Mr. Zen said.

The operating loss for the first nine months of 2001 was \$312,000 compared to an operating loss of \$2,366,000 for the nine months ended August 31, 2000. Net earnings for the nine months ended August 31, 2000 included extraordinary gains on financial restructuring and debt forgiveness of \$12,572,000.

The cash surplus from operations was \$4,025,000 for the nine months ended September 30, 2001 compared to a surplus of \$165,000 for the nine months ended August 31, 2000.

Working capital fell to \$6,072,000 at the end of the 2001 third quarter from \$13,987,000 at December 31, 2000, primarily due to inventory sales and an increase in non-current crop expenditures in the first three quarters of 2001, as well as the repayment of term debt in the 2001 first quarter.

Total liabilities decreased to \$11,639,000 at September 30, 2001 from \$14,204,000 at December 31, 2000.

“We have substantially lowered our debt and continue to strengthen our financial position,” Mr. Zen said. “The harvest season that began in October is proceeding smoothly at our farms and we are cautiously optimistic about the outlook for pricing. Industry production overall will likely be lower than in 2000, due to weather conditions, decreased planting and the departure of smaller growers from the industry. However, we expect Chai-Na-Ta’s harvest in 2001 to remain stable year-over-year.”

Chai-Na-Ta Corp., based in Langley, British Columbia, is the world’s largest supplier of North American ginseng. The Company farms, processes and distributes North American ginseng as bulk root, and supplies processed extract powder for the manufacture of value-added ginseng-based products.

This news release contains forward-looking statements that reflect the Company’s expectations regarding future events. These forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties, and actual events could differ materially from those projected. Such risks and uncertainties include, but are not limited to, the success of the Company’s ongoing research programs, general business conditions, and other risks as outlined in the Company’s periodic filings, Annual Report, and Form 20-F.

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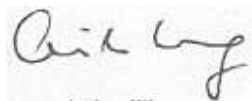
Consolidated Balance Sheets

Unaudited in thousands of Canadian dollars	Sep 30 2001	Dec 31 2000
	\$	\$
CURRENT ASSETS		
Cash	1,778	609
Accounts receivable	515	688
Inventory	1,731	11,507
Ginseng crops	10,570	9,290
Prepaid and other current assets	930	1,048
	15,524	23,142
Ginseng crops	17,575	11,625
Capital assets	8,446	9,535
Other assets	108	108
	41,653	44,410
CURRENT LIABILITIES		
Line of credit	-	390
Short-term borrowings	6,592	5,910
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	2,321	2,321
Current portion of term debt	539	534
	9,452	9,155
Term debt	291	3,153
Deferred gain	434	434
Future income taxes	1,462	1,462
	11,639	14,204
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY		
Share capital	38,200	38,200
Cumulative translation adjustment	(100)	(220)
Deficit	(8,086)	(7,774)
	30,014	30,206
	41,653	44,410

On behalf of the Board:



William Zen
Director



Anita Wong
Director

Consolidated Statements of Earnings (Loss)

Unaudited in thousands of Canadian dollars	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	Sep 30 2001	Aug 31 2000	Sep 30 2001	Aug 31 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Revenue	4,429	573	12,225	11,860
Cost of sales	3,988	400	10,082	11,186
	441	173	2,143	674
Selling, general, and administrative expenses	643	1,020	2,314	2,954
Interest and financing charges	22	27	131	86
	665	1,047	2,445	3,040
Operating loss	(224)	(874)	(302)	(2,366)
Other income (loss)	7	861	(10)	12,572
NET EARNING (LOSS) FOR THE PERIOD	(217)	(13)	(312)	10,206
Basic earnings (loss) per share	\$ (0.02)	\$ -	\$ (0.02)	\$ 1.14
Fully diluted earnings (loss) per share	\$ (0.01)	\$ -	\$ (0.01)	\$ 0.58
Weighted average number of shares used to calculate:				
Basic earnings per shares	14,264,508	14,264,508	14,264,508	8,990,476
Fully diluted earnings per shares	34,663,657	34,663,657	34,663,657	17,743,565

Consolidated Statements of Retained Earnings (Deficits)

Unaudited in thousands of Canadian dollars	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	June 30 2001	Aug 31 2000	June 30 2001	Aug 31 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, beginning of period	(7,869)	(5,468)	(7,774)	(15,687)
Net income (loss) for the period	(217)	(13)	(312)	10,206
Balance, end of period	(8,086)	(5,481)	(8,086)	(5,481)

Consolidated Statements of Cash Flows

Unaudited in thousand of Canadian dollars	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	Sep 30 2001	Aug 31 2000	Sep 30 2001	Aug 31 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES				
Net earnings (loss) for the period	(217)	(13)	(312)	10,206
Items not affecting cash				
Depreciation and amortization	13	(8)	60	238
Gain on forgiveness of debt	-	(924)	-	(13,548)
Net loss after items not affecting cash	(204)	(945)	(252)	(3,104)
Changes in non-cash operating assets and liabilities (Note 2)	4,020	(814)	9,082	7,162
Changes in non-current cash crop costs	(2,453)	(1,918)	(4,805)	(3,893)
	1,363	(3,677)	4,025	165
FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Line of credit	(540)	-	(390)	(4,917)
Short-term borrowing	451	(4)	682	1
Issuance of share capital	-	-	-	5,000
Issuance (repayment) of long term debt	16	(3)	(2,857)	(45)
Joint venture capital returned to co-venturer	-	390	-	-
	(73)	383	(2,565)	39
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Investments	-	544	-	-
Purchase of capital assets, net	(250)	(136)	(411)	(162)
Decrease (increase) in other assets	-	(426)	-	26
Deferred translation gain (loss)	81	(14)	120	(100)
	(169)	(32)	(291)	(236)
NET CASH INFLOW (OUTFLOW)	1,121	(3,326)	1,169	(32)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS BEGINNING OF THE PERIOD	657	3,928	609	634
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS END OF THE PERIOD	1,778	602	1,778	602

Notes to the Interim Consolidated Financial Statements

1. Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

These consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants' ("CICA") recommendations for the preparation of interim financial statements. Certain information and note disclosures normally included in the Company's annual consolidated financial statements are not presented. These interim consolidated financial statements and notes should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual consolidated financial statements for the period ended December 31, 2000. These interim consolidated financial statements are not necessarily indicative of the results to be expected for the year ending December 31, 2001.

2. Changes in Non-Cash Operating Items

Unaudited in thousands of Canadian dollars	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	Sep 30 2001	Aug 31 2000	Sep 30 2001	Aug 31 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Accounts receivable	189	(229)	173	663
Inventory	3,889	11	9,776	9,549
Ginseng crops	(220)	(893)	(985)	(1,802)
Prepaid and other current assets	22	(44)	118	(440)
Accounts payable	140	341	-	(808)
	4,020	(814)	9,082	7,162

3. Reconciliation of Earnings to U.S. GAAP

Unaudited in thousands of Canadian dollars	Three months ended		Nine months ended	
	Sep 30 2001	Aug 31 2000	Sep 30 2001	Aug 31 2000
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Net earnings (loss) under Canadian GAAP	(217)	(13)	(312)	10,206
Adjustments to reflect GAAP differences:				
Accounting for interest	403	-	841	-
Financial instruments	43	-	108	67
Net earnings (loss) per US GAAP	229	(13)	637	10,273
Basic earnings per share - US GAAP	\$ 0.02	\$ -	\$ 0.04	\$ 1.14
Fully diluted earnings per share - US GAAP	\$ 0.01	\$ -	\$ 0.02	\$ 0.58