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HAL COMPLETES ACQUISITION ROTTER Y KRAUSS IN CHILE

HAL has completed the acquisition of 100% of the shares of the optical retail chain Rotter y Krauss in Chile. This transaction was already previously announced in May.

The 2007 net sales of Rotter y Krauss amounted to approximately €32 million. As of July 31st, 2008, the company operated 44 stores and 82 points of sale within department stores throughout the country.

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