

Casino pursues its strategy of capturing the value of its assets with two new property disposal projects

In line with its asset turnover strategy, Casino is continuing to divest its mature properties.

The Group has signed heads of terms for the sale of 42 superette, Casino supermarket, and Franprix and Leader Price store properties to AEW Immocommercial* by the end of the year. The stores will continue to be operated under long-term, variable-rent leases based on a percentage of revenue.

In addition, four Casino supermarket properties will be sold to another partner.

These transactions, which will provide the Group with nearly $\in 100$ million in proceeds in 2008, will reduce 2009 trading profit by less than $\in 5$ million and have no impact on net profit.

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