

SHINHAN FINANCIAL GROUP CO LTD

Form 6-K

July 29, 2005

**UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

Form 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

July 28, 2005

Shinhan Financial Group

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

120, 2-Ga, Taepyung-Ro, Jung-Gu, Seoul 100-102, Korea

(Address of principal executive office)

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Embezzlement of an Employee at Chohung Bank

On 26th of July 2005, Chohung Bank, our wholly-owned, principal banking subsidiary, announced that one of its employees embezzled approximately KRW 20 billion through a forgery of certificates of deposits. This incident is currently under investigation by the Financial Supervisory Service in Korea. To prevent such incidents from occurring in the future, Chohung Bank announced its intention to implement immediate corrective actions and its commitment to improve its internal control system.

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.

Shinhan Financial Group

Date: July 28, 2005

By: /s/Byung Jae Cho

Name: Byung Jae Cho

Title: Chief Financial Officer
