UNITED STATES

10018

(Zip Code)

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM S-8 REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

G-III APPAREL GROUP, LTD. (Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

DELAWARE 41-1590959 (State or other jurisdiction (I.R.S Employer Identification No.)

of incorporation or organization)

512 SEVENTH AVENUE (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

> G-III APPAREL GROUP, LTD. 2005 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN (Full title of the plan)

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(Name, address, and telephone number, including area code, of agent for service)

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

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_____ Proposed maximum Proposed maximum Fitle of securities Amount to be offering price aggregate Amount of to be registered registered (1) per share offering price registration fee Title of securities Common Stock, \$.01 par 500,000 shares \$7.31 (2) \$3,655,000 \$430.20 value per share -----

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(1) This Registration Statement also covers an additional indeterminable number of shares as may be required pursuant to the G-III Apparel Group, Ltd. 2005 Stock Incentive Plan in the event of (a) a stock dividend, stock split, recapitalization or other similar change in the Common Stock and (b) the automatic annual increases in the total number of shares of Common Stock available for issuance pursuant to the 2005 Stock Incentive Plan.

(2) Computed in accordance with Rule 457(h)(1) based on the average of the high and low prices of the Common Stock as quoted on the Nasdaq National Market on June 7, 2005 of \$7.31 per share.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE SECTION 10(A) PROSPECTUS

The documents containing the information specified in Item 1 and Item 2 of Part I of the Registration Statement on Form S-8 are omitted from this filing in accordance with the provisions of Rule 424 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act") and the introductory note to Part I of Form S-8. The documents containing the information specified in Part I will be sent or given to employees as specified by Rule 428(b) (1) of the Securities Act. These documents and the documents incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement pursuant to Item 3 of Part II of this Registration Statement, taken together, constitute a prospectus that meets the requirements of Section 10(a) of the Securities Act.

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PART II

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN THE REGISTRATION STATEMENT

ITEM 3. INCORPORATION OF DOCUMENTS BY REFERENCE.

The following documents filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Act and the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the "Exchange Act") are incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement:

- (i) our annual report on Form 10-K, for the fiscal year ended January 31, 2005, filed on April 27, 2005;
- (ii) our quarterly report on Form 10-Q for the quarter ended April 30, 2005;
- (iii) our Proxy Statement, for the Annual Meeting of Shareholders to be held on June 9, 2005, filed on May 4, 2005, as supplemented by our Proxy Statement Supplement filed on May 24, 2005; and
- (iv) A description of our Common Stock contained in Item 1 of our Registration Statement on Form 8-A dated December 13, 1989 and in our Prospectus dated December 14, 1989, forming a part of our Registration Statement on Form S-1 (File No. 33-31906) filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) on December 13, 1989.

In addition to the foregoing, all documents subsequently filed by us with the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Exchange Act, prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment which (i) indicates that all securities offered under this Registration Statement have been sold or (ii) which deregisters all securities remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into this Registration Statement and to be a part of this Registration Statement from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated by reference in this Registration Statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any subsequently filed document that is also incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this Registration Statement.

ITEM 4. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES.

Not applicable.

ITEM 5. INTEREST OF NAMED EXPERTS AND COUNSEL.

Not applicable.

ITEM 6. INDEMNIFICATION OF DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS.

The General Corporation Law of the State of Delaware (the "GCL") authorizes Delaware corporations to eliminate or limit the personal liability of a director to the corporation or a stockholder for monetary damages for breach of certain fiduciary duties as a director, other than his duty of loyalty to the corporation and its stockholders, or for acts or omissions not in good faith or involving intentional misconduct or knowing violation of law, and the unlawful purchase or redemption of stock or payment of unlawful dividends or the receipt of improper benefits. The ByLaws of the Company at Article VI provide for the indemnification of the officers and directors of the Company to the fullest extent permitted under the GCL. In addition, the Company has executed agreements with the officers and directors of the

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Company that require the Company to indemnify such individuals for liabilities incurred by them because of an act, omission, neglect or breach of duty committed while acting in the capacity of an officer or director. Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Company pursuant to the foregoing provisions, the Company has been advised that in the opinion of the Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is therefor unenforceable.

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ITEM 7. EXEMPTION FROM REGISTRATION CLAIMED.

Not Applicable.

ITEM 8. EXHIBITS.

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4.1	G-III Apparel Group, Ltd. 2005 Stock Incentive Plan
5.1	Opinion of Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P.
23.1	Consent of Counsel (contained in Exhibit 5.1)
23.2	Consent of Ernst & Young LLP
24.1	Power of Attorney (included on signature page)
ITEM 9. UN	NDERTAKINGS.

(a) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this Registration Statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities $\mbox{Act}\xspace$

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the Registration Statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than a 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the "Calculation of Registration Fee" table in the effective registration statement; and

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement.

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona

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(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned Registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act, each filing of the Registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act (and, where applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial bona fide offering thereof.

(c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the Registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the Registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the Registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the Registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the Registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of New York, State of New York on June 14, 2005.

G-III APPAREL GROUP, LTD.

By: /s/ Wayne S. Miller

Wayne S. Miller Chief Financial Officer

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below constitutes and appoints MORRIS GOLDFARB and WAYNE S. MILLER, and each of them, as his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place, and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including post-effective amendments, exhibits thereto and other documents in connection therewith) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith (including any registration statement relating to this Registration Statement and filed pursuant to Rule 462(b) of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended), with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said attorneys-in-fact and agents, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in connection therewith, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or either of them, or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue hereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed below by the following persons in the capacities and on the dates indicated.

/s/ Morris Goldfarb	Director, Co-Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer	June 14, 2005
Morris Goldfarb	(principal executive officer)	
/s/ Wayne S. Miller	Senior Vice President and Chief Financ: and Operating Officer	ial June 14, 2005
Wayne S. Miller	(principal financial and accounting of	ficer)
/s/ Thomas J. Brosig	Director	June 14, 2005
Thomas J. Brosig		
/s/ Pieter Deiters	Director	June 14, 2005
Pieter Deiters		
/s/ Alan Feller	Director	June 14, 2005
Alan Feller		
/s/ Carl Katz	Director	June 14, 2005
Carl Katz		
/s/ Willem van Bokhorst	Director	June 14, 2005
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/s/ Richard White	Director	June 14, 2005
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G-III APPAREL GROUP, LTD. 2005 STOCK INCENTIVE PLAN

1. Purpose. The purpose of the G-III Apparel Group, Ltd. 2005 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan") is to enable G-III Apparel Group, Ltd., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), and its stockholders to secure the benefits of ownership of Company common stock, \$.01 par value (the "Common Stock"), by eligible personnel of the Company and its affiliates. The Board of Directors of the Company (the "Board") believes that the grant of awards pursuant to the Plan will foster the Company's ability to attract, retain and motivate such persons.

2. Types of Awards. Awards under the Plan may be in the form of any one or more of the following: (a) options to purchase shares of Common Stock at a specified price during specified time periods granted pursuant to Section 7(b) ("Options"), including Options intended to qualify as "incentive stock options" ("ISOs") under Section 422 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), and Options that do not qualify as ISOs; (b) stock appreciation rights granted pursuant to Section 7(c) ("SARs"); (c) Common Stock granted pursuant to Section 7(d) which is subject to certain restrictions and to a risk of forfeiture ("Restricted Stock"); (d) rights to receive Common Stock at the end of a specified deferral period granted pursuant to Section 7(e) ("Deferred Stock"), whether denominated as "stock units," "restricted stock units," "phantom shares" or "performance shares"; (e) other stock-based awards granted pursuant to Section 7(f) ("Other Stock-Based Awards"); and/or (f) performance-based awards granted pursuant to Section 7(g) ("Performance Awards").

3. Available Shares. Subject to the provisions of Section 9, the Company may issue a total of 500,000 shares of Common Stock pursuant to the Plan; provided that, on each January 31st during the term of the Plan, without further action by the Board or the Company's stockholders, the total number of shares of Common Stock available for issuance pursuant to the Plan shall be automatically increased (but not decreased) to the nearest whole number of shares (with .05 shares being rounded-up) equal to six percent (6%) of the total number of issued and outstanding shares of Common Stock on each such date (excluding any shares held in treasury). Notwithstanding the preceding sentence, subject to the provisions of Section 9, in no event may more than 200,000 shares of Common Stock be issued pursuant to the exercise of ISOs granted under the Plan. In determining the number of shares available for issuance pursuant to the Plan at any time, the following shares shall be deemed not to have been issued (and shall remain available for issuance) pursuant to the Plan: (a)shares subject to an award that is forfeited, canceled, terminated or settled in cash; (b) shares repurchased by the Company from the recipient of an award for not more than the original purchase price of such shares or forfeited to the Company by the recipient of an award; and (c) shares withheld or tendered by the recipient of an award as payment of the exercise or purchase price under an award or the tax withholding obligations associated with an award. Such shares may be either authorized and unissued or held by the Company in its treasury. No fractional shares of Common Stock may be issued under the Plan.

4. Per-Person Award Limitation. In each fiscal year during any part of which the Plan is in effect, an eligible person may be granted awards intended to qualify as "performance-

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based compensation" under Section 162 (m) of the Code relating to up to his Annual Share Limit. Subject to the provisions of Section 9, an eligible person's "Annual Share Limit" shall equal, in any year during any part of which the eligible person is then eligible under the Plan, 50,000 shares plus the amount of the eligible person's unused Annual Share Limit as of the close of the previous year.

5. Administration.

(a) Committee. The Plan shall be administered by the Compensation

Committee of the Board or such other committee appointed by the Board to administer the Plan from time to time (the "Committee"). The full Board may perform any function of the Committee hereunder, in which case the term "Committee" shall refer to the Board. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Board shall have sole responsibility and authority for matters relating to the grant and administration of awards to non-employee directors of the Company, and reference herein to the Committee with respect to any such matters shall be deemed to refer to the Board.

(b) Responsibility and Authority of Committee. Subject to the provisions of the Plan, the Committee, acting in its discretion, shall have responsibility and full power and authority to (i) select the persons to whom awards shall be made; (ii) prescribe the terms and conditions of each award and make amendments thereto, (iii) to the extent permitted by applicable law, to reprice outstanding options or SARs and to grant new awards in substitution for outstanding awards; (iv) construe, interpret and apply the provisions of the Plan and of any agreement or other document evidencing an award made under the Plan; and (v) make any and all determinations and take any and all other actions as it deems necessary or desirable in order to carry out the terms of the Plan. In exercising its responsibilities under the Plan, the Committee may obtain at the Company's expense such advice, guidance and other assistance from outside compensation consultants and other professional advisers as it deems appropriate.

(c) Delegation of Authority. To the fullest extent authorized under Section 157(c) of the Delaware General Corporation Law, the Committee may delegate to officers of the Company or any affiliate, or committees thereof, the authority, subject to such terms as the Committee shall determine, to perform such functions, including administrative functions, as the Committee may determine.

(d) Committee Actions. A majority of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum. The Committee may act by the vote of a majority of its members present at a meeting at which there is a quorum or by unanimous written consent. The decision of the Committee as to any disputed question, including questions of construction, interpretation and administration, shall be final and conclusive on all persons. The Committee shall keep a record of its proceedings and acts and shall keep or cause to be kept such books and records as may be necessary in connection with the proper administration of the Plan.

(e) Indemnification. The Company shall indemnify and hold harmless each member of the Board, the Committee or any officer or subcommittee member to whom authority is delegated by the Committee and any employee of the Company who provides assistance with the administration of the Plan from and against any loss, cost, liability (including any sum paid in settlement of a claim with the approval of the Board), damage and expense (including reasonable legal fees and other expenses incident thereto and, to the extent permitted by applicable law,

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advancement of such fees and expenses) arising out of or incurred in connection with the Plan, unless and except to the extent attributable to such person's fraud or willful misconduct.

6. Eligibility. Awards may be granted under the Plan to any member of the Board (whether or not an employee of the Company or its affiliates), to any officer or other employee of the Company or its affiliates (including prospective officers and employees) and to any consultant or other independent contractor who performs or will perform services for the Company or its affiliates.

7. Specific Terms of Awards.

(a) General. Awards may be granted on the terms and conditions set forth in this Section 7. In addition, the Committee may impose on any award or the exercise thereof, at the date of grant or thereafter, such additional terms and conditions, not inconsistent with the provisions of the Plan, as the Committee shall determine, including terms requiring forfeiture of awards in the event of termination of employment or service by the recipient. The Committee shall require the payment of lawful consideration for an award to the extent necessary to satisfy the requirements of the Delaware General Corporation Law, and may otherwise require payment of consideration for an award except as limited by the $\ensuremath{\mathsf{Plan}}$.

(b) Stock Options. The Committee is authorized to grant Options to eligible persons on the following terms and conditions:

(i) Exercise Price. The exercise price per share of Common Stock purchasable under an Option shall be determined by the Committee, provided that such exercise price shall not be less than the Fair Market Value (as defined below) of a share of Common Stock on the date of grant of such Option.

(ii) Option Term; Time and Method of Exercise. The Committee shall determine the term of each Option, which in no event shall exceed a period of ten years from the date of grant. The Committee shall determine the time or times at which or the circumstances under which an Option may be exercised in whole or in part (including based on achievement of performance goals and/or future service requirements), the methods by which such exercise price may be paid or deemed to be paid and the form of such payment (including, without limitation, cash, Common Stock (including through withholding of Common Stock deliverable upon exercise), other awards or awards granted under other plans of the Company or any affiliate, or other property (including through "cashless exercise" arrangements, to the extent permitted by applicable law) and the methods by or forms in which Common Stock shall be delivered or deemed to be delivered in satisfaction of Options.

(iii) ISO Grants to 10% Stockholders. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Section 7(b), if an ISO is granted to an employee who owns stock representing more than 10% of the voting power of all classes of stock of the Company or a subsidiary corporation thereof (as such term is defined in Section 424 of the Code), the term of the Option shall not exceed five years from the date of grant and the exercise price shall be at least 110% of the Fair Market Value (on the date of grant) of the Common Stock subject to the Option.

(c) Stock Appreciation Rights. The Committee is authorized to grant SARs to eligible persons on the following terms and conditions:

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(i) Right to Payment. A SAR shall confer on the recipient a right to receive a payment, in shares of Common Stock, with a value equal to the excess of the Fair Market Value of a specified number of shares of Common Stock at the time the SAR is exercised over the exercise price of such SAR, which shall be no less than the Fair Market Value of the same number of shares at the time the SAR was granted.

(ii) Other Terms. The Committee shall determine the time or times at which and the circumstances under which a SAR may be exercised in whole or in part (including based on achievement of performance goals and/or future service requirements), the method of exercise, the method by or forms in which Common Stock shall be delivered or deemed to be delivered to recipients upon exercise of a SAR, whether or not a SAR shall be free-standing or in tandem or combination with any other award, and the maximum term of an SAR, which in no event shall exceed a period of ten years from the date of grant.

(d) Restricted Stock. The Committee is authorized to grant Restricted Stock to eligible persons on the following terms and conditions:

(i) Grant and Restrictions. Restricted Stock shall be subject to such restrictions on transferability, risk of forfeiture and other restrictions, if any, as the Committee may impose, which restrictions may lapse separately or in combination at such times, under such circumstances (including based on achievement of performance goals and/or future service requirements), in such installments or otherwise and under such other circumstances as the Committee may determine at the date of grant or thereafter. Except to the extent restricted under the terms of the Plan and any award document relating to the Restricted Stock, a recipient of Restricted Stock shall have all of the rights of a stockholder, including the right to vote the Restricted Stock and the right to receive dividends thereon (subject to any mandatory reinvestment or other requirements imposed by the Committee).

(ii) Forfeiture. Except as otherwise determined by the Committee, upon termination of employment or service during the applicable restriction period, Restricted Stock that is at that time subject to restrictions shall be forfeited and reacquired by the Company; provided that the Committee may provide, by rule or regulation or in any award document, or may determine in any individual case, that restrictions or forfeiture conditions relating to Restricted Stock shall lapse in whole or in part, including in the event of terminations resulting from specified causes.

(iii) Certificates for Stock. Restricted Stock granted under the Plan may be evidenced in such manner as the Committee shall determine. If certificates representing Restricted Stock are registered in the name of the recipient, the Committee may require that such certificates bear an appropriate legend referring to the terms, conditions and restrictions applicable to such Restricted Stock, that the Company retain physical possession of the certificates and that the recipient deliver a stock power to the Company, endorsed in blank, relating to the Restricted Stock.

(iv) Dividends and Splits. As a condition to the grant of an award of Restricted Stock, the Committee may require that any dividends paid on a share of Restricted Stock shall be either (A) paid with respect to such Restricted Stock at the dividend payment date in cash, in kind, or in a number of shares of unrestricted Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of such dividends, or (B) automatically reinvested in additional

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Restricted Stock or held in kind, which shall be subject to the same terms as applied to the original Restricted Stock to which it relates. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, Common Stock distributed in connection with a stock split or stock dividend, and other property distributed as a dividend, shall be subject to restrictions and a risk of forfeiture to the same extent as the Restricted Stock with respect to which such Common Stock or other property has been distributed.

(e) Deferred Stock. The Committee is authorized to grant Deferred Stock to eligible persons, which are rights to receive Common Stock, other awards, or a combination thereof at the end of a specified deferral period, subject to the following terms and conditions:

(i) Award and Restrictions. The issuance of Common Stock shall occur upon expiration of the deferral period specified for an award of Deferred Stock by the Committee. In addition, Deferred Stock shall be subject to such restrictions on transferability, risk of forfeiture and other restrictions, if any, as the Committee may impose, which restrictions may lapse at the expiration of the deferral period or at earlier specified times (including based on achievement of performance goals and/or future service requirements), separately or in combination, in installments or otherwise, and under such other circumstances as the Committee may determine at the date of grant or thereafter. Deferred Stock may be satisfied by delivery of Common Stock, other awards, or a combination thereof, as determined by the Committee at the date of grant or thereafter.

(ii) Forfeiture. Except as otherwise determined by the Committee, upon termination of employment or service during the applicable deferral period or portion thereof to which forfeiture conditions apply (as provided in the award document evidencing the Deferred Stock), all Deferred Stock that is at that time subject to such forfeiture conditions shall be forfeited; provided that the Committee may provide, by rule or regulation or in any award document, or may determine in any individual case, that restrictions or forfeiture conditions relating to Deferred Stock shall lapse in whole or in part, including in the event of terminations resulting from specified causes.

(iii) Dividend Equivalents. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, dividend equivalents on the specified number of shares of Common Stock covered by an award of Deferred Stock shall be either (A) paid with respect to such Deferred Stock at the dividend payment date in cash or in shares of unrestricted Common Stock having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of such dividends, or (B) deferred with respect to such Deferred Stock, with the amount or value thereof automatically deemed reinvested in additional Deferred Stock.

(f) Other Stock-Based Awards. The Committee is authorized, subject to limitations under applicable law, to grant to eligible persons such other awards that may be denominated or payable in, valued in whole or in part by reference to, or otherwise based on, or related to, Common Stock or factors that may influence the value of Common Stock, including, without limitation, stock bonuses, dividend equivalents, convertible or exchangeable debt securities, other rights convertible or exchangeable into Common Stock, purchase rights for Common Stock, awards with value and payment contingent upon performance of the Company or business units thereof or any other factors designated by the Committee, awards valued by reference to the book value of Common Stock or the value of securities of or the performance of specified subsidiaries or affiliates or other business units and awards designed to comply with or

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take advantage of the applicable local laws or jurisdictions other than the United States. The Committee shall determine the terms and conditions of such awards.

(g) Performance Awards. The Committee is authorized to grant Performance Awards to eligible persons on the following terms and conditions:

(i) Generally. The Committee may specify that any award granted under the Plan shall constitute a Performance Award by conditioning the grant, exercise, vesting or settlement, and the timing thereof, upon achievement or satisfaction of such performance conditions as may be specified by the Committee. The Committee may use such business criteria and other measures of performance as it may deem appropriate in establishing any performance conditions, and may exercise its discretion to reduce or increase the amounts payable under any award subject to performance conditions, except as limited under this Section 7(g) in the case of a Performance Award intended to qualify as "performance-based compensation" under Section 162(m) of the Code.

(ii) Awards exempt under Section 162(m) of the Code. If the Committee determines that an Award should qualify as "performance-based compensation" for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Code (other than Options or SARs which otherwise qualify as "performance-based compensation" for purposes of Section 162(m) of the Code), the grant, exercise, vesting and/or settlement of such Performance Award shall be contingent upon achievement of one or more pre-established, objective performance goals. The performance goal or goals for such Performance Awards shall consist of one or more business criteria and a targeted level or levels of performance with respect to each of such criteria, as specified by the Committee consistent with this subsection (ii). One or more of the following business criteria for the Company, on a consolidated basis, and/or for specified subsidiaries or affiliates or other business units of the Company, shall be used by the Committee in establishing performance goals for such Performance Awards, either on an absolute basis or relative to an index: (1) revenues on a corporate or product by product basis; (2) earnings from operations, earnings before or after taxes, earnings before or after interest, depreciation, amortization, incentives, service fees or extraordinary or special items; (3) net income or net income per common share (basic or diluted); (4) return on assets, return on investment, return on capital, or return on equity; (5) cash flow, free cash flow, cash flow return on investment, or net cash provided by operations; (6) economic value created or added; (7) operating margin or profit margin; and/or (8) stock price, dividends or total stockholder return. The targeted level or levels of performance with respect to such business criteria may be established at such levels and in such terms as the Committee may determine, in its discretion, including in absolute terms, as a goal relative to performance in prior periods, or as a goal compared to the performance of one or more comparable companies or an index covering multiple companies. All determination by the Committee as to the establishment of performance goals, the amount potentially payable in respect of Performance Awards, the level of actual achievement of the specified performance goals relating to Performance Awards and the amount of any final Performance Award shall be recorded in writing. Specifically, the Committee shall certify in writing, in a manner conforming to applicable regulations under Section 162(m) of the Code, prior to settlement of each such award, that the performance objective relating to the Performance Award and other material terms of the award upon which settlement of the award was conditioned have been satisfied.

8. Limits on Transferability. No award or other right or interest of an award recipient under the Plan shall be pledged, hypothecated or otherwise encumbered or subject to

any lien, obligation or liability of such recipient to any party (other than the Company or an affiliate thereof), or assigned or transferred by such recipient otherwise than by will or the laws of descent and distribution or to a beneficiary upon the death of a recipient, and such awards or rights that may be exercisable shall be exercised during the lifetime of the recipient only by the recipient or his or her guardian or legal representative, except that awards and other rights may be transferred to one or more transferees during the lifetime of the recipient, and may be exercised by such transferees in accordance with the terms of such award, but only if and to the extent such transfers are permitted by the Committee, subject to any terms and conditions which the Committee may impose thereon. A beneficiary, transferee, or other person claiming any rights under the Plan from or through any award recipient shall be subject to all terms and conditions of the Plan and any award document applicable to such Participant, except as otherwise determined by the Committee, and to any additional terms and conditions deemed necessary or appropriate by the Committee. For purposes hereof, "beneficiary" shall mean the legal representatives of the recipient's estate entitled by will or the laws of descent and distribution to receive the benefits under a recipient's award upon a recipient's death, provided that, if and to the extent authorized by the Committee, a recipient may be permitted to designate a beneficiary, in which case the "beneficiary" instead shall be the person, persons, trust or trusts (if any are then surviving) which have been designated by the recipient in his or her most recent written beneficiary designation filed with the Committee to receive the benefits specified under the recipient's award upon such recipient's death.

9. Capital Changes, Reorganization, Sale.

(a) Adjustments upon Changes in Capitalization. The aggregate number and class of shares issuable pursuant to the Plan and pursuant to the exercise of ISOs, the Annual Share Limit, the number and class of shares and the exercise price per share covered by each outstanding Option, the number and class of shares and the base price per share covered by each outstanding SAR, the number and class of shares covered by each outstanding award of Deferred Stock or Other Stock-Based Award or Performance Award, any per-share base or purchase price or target market price included in the terms of any such award, and related terms shall all be adjusted proportionately or as otherwise appropriate to reflect any increase or decrease in the number of issued shares of Common Stock resulting from a split-up or consolidation of shares or any like capital adjustment, or the payment of any stock dividend, and/or to reflect a change in the character or class of shares covered by the Plan arising from a readjustment or recapitalization of the Company's capital stock.

(b) Cash, Stock or Other Property for Stock. In the case of a merger, sale of assets or similar transaction which results in a replacement of the Common Stock with stock of another corporation (an "Exchange Transaction"), the Company shall make a reasonable effort, but shall not be required, to replace any outstanding Options or SARs with comparable options to purchase the stock or SARs on the stock of such other corporation, or shall provide for immediate exercisability of all outstanding Options and SARs, with all options or SARs not being exercised within the time period specified by the Board being terminated. The Committee, acting in its discretion, may accelerate vesting of Restricted Stock, Deferred Stock, Other Stock-Based Awards and Performance Awards, provide for cash settlement and/or make such other adjustments to the terms of such awards as it deems appropriate in the context of an Exchange Transaction, taking into account the manner in which outstanding Options and SARs are being treated.

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(c) Fractional Shares. In the event of any adjustment in the number of shares covered by any award pursuant to the provisions hereof, any fractional shares resulting from such adjustment shall be disregarded and each such award shall cover only the number of full shares resulting from the adjustment.

(d) Determination of Board to be Final. All adjustments under this Section 9 shall be made by the Committee, and its determination as to what adjustments shall be made, and the extent thereof, shall be final, binding and conclusive.

10. Tax Withholding. As a condition to the exercise of any award, the

delivery of any shares of Common Stock pursuant to any award, the lapse of restrictions on any award or the settlement of any award, or in connection with any other event that gives rise to a federal or other governmental tax withholding obligation on the part of the Company or an affiliate relating to an award (including, without limitation, an income tax deferral arrangement pursuant to which employment tax is payable currently), the Company and/or the affiliate may (a) deduct or withhold (or cause to be deducted or withheld) from any payment or distribution to an award recipient whether or not pursuant to the Plan or (b) require the recipient to remit cash (through payroll deduction or otherwise), in each case in an amount sufficient in the opinion of the Company to satisfy such withholding obligation. If the event giving rise to the withholding obligation involves a transfer of shares of Common Stock, then, at the sole discretion of the Committee, the recipient may satisfy the withholding obligation described under this Section 10 by electing to have the Company withhold shares of Common Stock or by tendering previously-owned shares of Common Stock, in each case having a Fair Market Value equal to the amount of tax to be withheld (or by any other mechanism as may be required or appropriate to conform with local tax and other rules).

11. Fair Market Value. For purposes of the Plan, "Fair Market Value" shall mean the fair market value of the Common Stock as determined in good faith by the Committee or under procedures established by the Committee. Unless otherwise determined by the Committee, the Fair Market Value of the Common Stock as of any given date shall be the closing sale price per share of Common Stock reported on a consolidated basis for securities listed on the principal stock exchange or market on which the Common Stock is traded on the date as of which such value is being determined or, if there is no sale on that day, then on the last previous day on which a sale was reported.

12. Amendment and Termination of the Plan. Except as may otherwise be required by law or the requirements of any stock exchange or market upon which the Common Stock may then be listed, the Board, acting in its sole discretion and without further action on the part of the stockholders of the Company, may amend the Plan at any time and from time to time and may terminate the Plan at any time. No amendment or termination may affect adversely any outstanding award without the written consent of the award recipient.

13. General Provisions.

(a) Compliance with Law. The Company shall not be obligated to issue or deliver shares of Common Stock pursuant to the Plan unless the issuance and delivery of such shares complies with applicable law, including, without limitation, the Securities Act, the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and the requirements of any stock exchange or

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market upon which the Common Stock may then be listed, and shall be further subject to the approval of counsel for the Company with respect to such compliance.

(b) Transfer Orders; Placement of Legends. All certificates for shares of Common Stock delivered under the Plan shall be subject to such stock-transfer orders and other restrictions as the Company may deem advisable under the rules, regulations, and other requirements of the Securities and Exchange Commission, any stock exchange or market upon which the Common Stock may then be listed, and any applicable federal or state securities law. The Company may cause a legend or legends to be placed on any such certificates to make appropriate reference to such restrictions.

(c) No Rights Conferred. Nothing contained herein shall be deemed to give any individual a right to receive an award under the Plan or to be retained in the employ or service of the Company or any affiliate.

(d) Decisions and Determinations to be Final. Any decision or determination made by the Board pursuant to the provisions hereof and, except to the extent rights or powers under the Plan are reserved specifically to the discretion of the Board, all decisions and determinations of the Committee are final and binding.

(e) Nonexclusivity of the Plan. No provision of the Plan, and neither its adoption Plan by the Board or submission to the stockholders for approval,

shall be construed as creating any limitations on the power of the Board or a committee thereof to adopt such other incentive arrangements, apart from the Plan, as it may deem desirable.

14. Governing Law. The Plan and each award agreement or other document evidencing an award shall be governed by the laws of the State of Delaware, without regard to its principles of conflict of laws.

15. Term of the Plan. The Plan shall become effective on the date on which it is approved by the Company's stockholders (the "Effective Date"). Unless sooner terminated by the Board, the Plan shall terminate on the tenth anniversary of the Effective Date. The rights of any person with respect to an award made under the Plan that is outstanding at the time of the termination of the Plan shall not be affected solely by reason of the termination of the Plan and shall continue in accordance with the terms of the award and of the Plan, as each is then in effect or is thereafter amended.

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EXHIBIT 5.1

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June 10, 2005

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Re: Registration Statement on Form S-8

Ladies and Gentleman:

We refer to the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (the "Registration Statement") to be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Act"), on behalf of G-III Apparel Group, Ltd., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), relating to 500,000 shares of the Company's Common Stock, \$.01 par value (the "Common Stock"), issuable pursuant to the G-III Apparel Group, Ltd. 2005 Stock Incentive Plan (the "Plan").

As counsel to the Company, we have examined such corporate records, other documents and such questions of law as we have deemed necessary or appropriate for the purposes of this opinion and, upon the basis of such examinations, advise you that in our opinion the 500,000 shares of Common Stock issuable pursuant to the Plan have been duly and validly authorized and, subject to the issuance of such shares and payment therefor in accordance with the Plan, such shares will be validly issued, fully paid and non-assessable.

We consent to the filing of this opinion as Exhibit 5.1 to the Registration Statement. This consent is not to be construed as an admission that we are a person whose consent is required to be filed with the Registration Statement under the provisions of the Act.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P. Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P.

CONSENT OF INDEPENDENT REGISTERED PUBLIC ACCOUNTING FIRM

We consent to the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (Form S-8 No. 333-00000) of our report dated March 14, 2005, with respect to the consolidated financial statements and schedule of G-III Apparel Group, Ltd., included in its Annual Report (Form 10-K) for the year ended January 31, 2005 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

/s/ Ernst & Young LLP

New York, New York June 13, 2005