

SIGNET GROUP PLC
Form 6-K
August 31, 2004

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Special Report of Foreign Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a - 16 or 15d - 16 of
The Securities and Exchange Act of 1934

For the date of August 31, 2004

SIGNET GROUP plc
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Zenith House
The Hyde
London NW9 6EW
England
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40F.

Form 20-F Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

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1) Name of company

SIGNET GROUP plc

2) Name of shareholder having a major interest

HARRIS ASSOCIATES L.P.

3) Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18

AS IN 2 ABOVE

4) Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them

Please see letter below

5) Number of shares/amount of stock acquired

1,375,000

6) Percentage of issued class

0.079%

7) Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

N/A

8) Percentage of issued class

N/A

9) Class of security

0.5P ORDINARY SHARES

10) Date of transaction

25.08.04

11) Date company informed

27.08.04

12) Total holding following this notification

87,729,400

13) Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

5.06%

14) Any additional information

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15) Name of contact and telephone number for queries

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16) Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

Date of notification ..31 August 2004..

Letter from Harris Associates L.P.

August 27, 2004

We are writing to notify you pursuant to the Disclosure of Interests in Shares (Amendment) Regulations 1993 (SI 1993 No. 1819) of our interest in investment holdings in the ordinary share capital of Signet Group plc. Following a purchase of 1,375,000 shares on August 25, 2004, accounts managed by Harris Associates L.P. became the beneficial owners of 87,729,400 shares of Signet Group plc. This represents a 5.06% ownership of the company and an increase above the 5% substantial shareholder filing threshold.

Percentages are based on 1,732,756,956 outstanding shares. All holdings of Signet Group plc are for investment purposes only.

END

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.

SIGNET GROUP plc

By: /s/ Walker Boyd

Name: Walker Boyd

Title: Group Finance Director

Date: August 31, 2004