CREATIVE TECHNOLOGY LTD Form SC 13E3/A October 28, 2004

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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

#### **SCHEDULE 13E-3**

#### **Rule 13E-100**

Transaction Statement Under Section 13(e) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 13e-3 thereunder (Amendment No. 4)

#### CREATIVE TECHNOLOGY LTD.

(Name of the Issuer)

## Creative Technology Ltd.

(Name of Person(s) Filing Statement)

### Ordinary Shares, Par Value Singapore \$0.25 Per Share

(Title of Class of Securities)

#### Y1775U10

(CUSIP Number of Class of Securities)

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Persons Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications on Behalf of Person(s) Filing Statement)

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#### INTRODUCTION

This Amendment No. 4 amends and supplements the Transaction Statement on Schedule 13E-3 initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission by Creative Technology Ltd., a Singapore corporation (the Company or Creative ), on January 29, 2003, as amended by Amendment No. 1 filed on March 21, 2003, Amendment No. 2 filed on April 9, 2003, and Amendment No. 3 filed on April 28, 2003 (as amended, the Schedule 13E-3). In April 2003, the Schedule 13E-3 was distributed to Creative s shareholders.

The Schedule 13E-3 was filed by Creative in connection with its intent to reduce the number of holders of Creative's Ordinary Shares resident in the United States to a level which would have enabled Creative to terminate its U.S. public reporting obligations. Creative also disclosed in the Schedule 13E-3 that, even if it had continued to be obligated to file reports in the U.S., Creative may have decided to delist its Ordinary Shares from the Nasdaq National Market (NASDAQ) if Creative determined that it was an appropriate time based upon the level of the number of holders in the U.S. The Schedule 13E-3 described certain proposed actions to be taken by Creative to terminate its U.S. public reporting obligations, including the possible open market repurchase by Creative of its Ordinary Shares (the Repurchase Program) and Creative's intent to terminate the ability of its shareholders to electronically transfer its Ordinary Shares from the register of the Central Depository (Pte) Limited in Singapore to accounts with brokers located in the U.S. (the Flow Back Restriction). The Flow Back Restriction commenced on June 1, 2003. Creative has not repurchased any of its Ordinary Shares under the Repurchase Program.

#### ITEM 15. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

(b) Other Material Information. On October 28, 2004, the Company announced that it has suspended its plans to terminate Creative s U.S. public reporting obligations and to delist the Creative Ordinary Shares from Nasdaq. The Flow Back Restriction will remain in effect and Creative may engage in open market repurchases of its Ordinary Shares from time to time in the future. However, the maintaining of the Flow Back Restriction and such open market repurchases will not have the purpose or reasonable likelihood of causing (a) Creative s Ordinary Shares to be delisted from Nasdaq or (b) the number of holders of Creative s Ordinary Shares resident in the U.S. to be reduced to less than 300 persons (with shares held of record by a broker, dealer, bank or nominee for the account of customers resident in the U.S. counted as held by the number of each such separate account). Creative will inform its shareholders in the event Creative decides to resume its plans to terminate its U.S. public reporting obligations or to delist its Ordinary Shares from Nasdaq.

#### **ITEM 16. EXHIBITS**

- (a) (1) Announcement dated January 28, 2003
  - (2) Press Release dated January 28, 2003
  - (3) Draft Cover letter to shareholders enclosing Schedule 13E-3
  - (4) Announcement dated April 26, 2003
  - (5) Press Release dated April 25, 2003
  - (6) Press Release dated October 28, 2004

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## **SIGNATURE**

After due inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

## CREATIVE TECHNOLOGY LTD.

By: /s/ NG KEH LONG Name: Ng Keh Long

Title: Chief Financial Officer

Dated: October 28, 2004

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