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> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

> > FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2002.

CNH GLOBAL N.V.

(TRANSLATION OF REGISTRANT'S NAME INTO ENGLISH)

WORLD TRADE CENTER TOWER B, 10TH FLOOR AMSTERDAM AIRPORT THE NETHERLANDS

(ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

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

Form 20-F X 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.)

No Yes Х _____ _____

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

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CNH CONCLUDES EQUITY OFFER AS UNDERWRITERS EXERCISE OVER-ALLOTMENT OPTION

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Lake Forest, IL (July 15, 2002) CNH Global N.V. (NYSE:CNH) today announced that the underwriters of CNH's equity offering exercised their over-allotment option for 3,500,000 additional shares of common stock priced at \$4.00 per share, concluding the company's public offering of new shares of common stock. The exercise of the over-allotment option brings to approximately 96,900,000 the total number of shares held by investors other than majority shareholder Fiat, and reduces Fiat's ownership to 85%.

On June 14, 2002, CNH had issued 50,000,000 new shares of common stock. Concurrently, the Fiat Group, CNH's majority shareholder, had exchanged approximately \$1.3 billion of debt owed to Fiat by CNH for CNH common shares also at \$4.00 per share.

By applying all the net proceeds of these transactions to debt reduction, CNH has reduced its net indebtedness to \$4.1 billion, and lowered its debt to capitalization ratio from 75% to 54%.

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CNH is the number one manufacturer of agricultural tractors and combines in the world, the third largest maker of construction equipment, and has one of the industry's largest equipment finance operations. Revenues in 2001 totaled \$9.7 billion. Based in the United States, CNH's network of dealers and distributors operates in over 160 countries. CNH agricultural products are sold under the Case IH, New Holland and Steyr brands. CNH construction equipment is sold under the Case, FiatAllis, Fiat Kobelco, Kobelco, New Holland, and O&K brands.

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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.

CNH Global N.V.

By: /S/ Debra E. Kuper

Debra E. Kuper Assistant Secretary

July 15, 2002