

FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

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

For the month November 1999

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REUTERS GROUP PLC  
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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

85 FLEET STREET, LONDON EC4P 4AJ, ENGLAND  
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(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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[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   
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THIS REPORT IS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE IN THE PROSPECTUSES CONTAINED IN POST EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 33-16927 ON FORM S-8, POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 33-69694 ON FORM F-3, POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 33-90398 ON FORM S-8, POST-EFFECTIVE AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 333-7374 ON FORM F-3 AND REGISTRATION STATEMENT NO. 333-5998 ON FORM S-8 FILED BY THE REGISTRANT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933.

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.

REUTERS GROUP PLC  
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(Registrant)

Dated: January 4, 2000

By: /s/ Nancy C. Gardner  
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11 November 1999

No: 23/99

REUTERS ANNOUNCES BOARD APPOINTMENT

London -- Reuters Group PLC announced today that Mr Dennis Malamatinas will join the Board as a non-executive director on 1 January 2000.

Mr Malamatinas (44) is Chief Executive Officer of Burger King Corporation and an executive director of Diageo plc.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

A photograph of Mr Dennis Malamatinas is available on request. A biography is attached.

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DENNIS MALAMATINAS

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BIOGRAPHY

Dennis Malamatinas was appointed Chief Executive Officer of Burger King Corporation and a member of the Diageo Board in 1997.

Malamatinas joined International Distillers and Vintners (IDV), Diageo's beverage business, in 1989 as Managing Director of Metaxa, based in Greece. He was responsible for the Metaxa business worldwide.

In 1991 Malamatinas was appointed President and Chief Executive Officer of IDV's Pierre Smirnoff Company. He became Executive Director and President of IDV Asia Pacific in 1995 and a member of the IDV main board. He was responsible for the marketing, selling, distribution and production of IDV brands in Asia Pacific.

Malamatinas began his career with Procter and Gamble, progressing through a range of marketing and brand management roles. He then joined Pepsico, working initially in the Middle East and then in Italy, where he was President and Chief Executive Officer of Pepsico Italia.

Malamatinas holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics from Roosevelt University, Chicago, and an MBA from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business.

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REUTERS ACQUIRES TOWERGROUP -- A LEADING  
FINANCIAL SERVICES RESEARCH FIRM

London -- Reuters, the global information and news group, has acquired 84% of TowerGroup, a leading research and advisory firm which delivers research and insight on the impact of Information Technology in the financial services industry. TowerGroup, which is based in Needham, Massachusetts, provides continuous advisory research services on these markets on a subscription basis as well as consultancy engagements. The purchase consideration is not material to Reuters.

This acquisition extends Reuters position in the growing global market for the provision of high quality research material. Reuters plans to make further acquisitions and investments in targeted vertical research information sectors in the US, Europe and Asia to develop a global research and advisory business.

Reuters will extend TowerGroup's market position by ensuring its content is available as a premium service through its multiple global distribution channels. TowerGroup's products will continue to be aggressively marketed in their current form through its own direct sales force.

TowerGroup will operate as an entity within Reuters Ventures, the division recently established to exploit new business opportunities. In line with Reuters editorial principles, TowerGroup will continue to maintain complete editorial independence, objectivity and impartiality.

Diogo Teixeira, the founder of TowerGroup, and TowerGroup employees will retain the remaining 16% of the share capital. Diogo Teixeira will continue to be actively involved in the future development of the business and remain as a director on the TowerGroup board.

ROB ROWLEY, Reuters finance director and head of the Ventures division, commented: "Reuters is now expanding into selected new high value areas in the information market. We plan to expand by acquisition in order to meet the demands of our corporate customers for a broader range of high value independent research information.

"Reuters represents an excellent international partner for these businesses because of its distribution capabilities, its international client base and its well established editorial standards."

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DIOGO TEIXEIRA, chairman and chief executive officer of TowerGroup, said: "TowerGroup welcomes this opportunity to partner with Reuters. It will allow us to grow more quickly our research coverage and distribution into global markets and into portions of the financial services industry where we do not yet have products. In addition, the rapid pace of technological change in financial services, and the impact on the industry, mean that we have greater opportunities to serve our growing customer base than at any time in the past."

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5) Please state whether notification relates to a person(s) connected with the Director named in 2 above and identify the connected person(s)

N/A

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6) Please state the nature of the transaction and the nature and extent of the directors interest in the transaction

Purchase of Shares

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7) Number of shares/amount of stock acquired

8064 Shares

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8) ( . %)

of issued Class Less than 1%

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9) Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

N/A

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10) ( . %)

of issued Class

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11) Class of security

Ordinary Shares

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12) Price per share

(pound)6.18

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13) Date of transaction

15 November 1999

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14) Date company informed

15 November 1999

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15) Total holding following this notification

212,648 Ordinary Shares  
Plus 490 shares non-beneficially owned  
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16) Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

Less than 1%

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IF A DIRECTOR HAS BEEN GRANTED OPTIONS BY THE COMPANY PLEASE COMPLETE  
THE FOLLOWING BOXES

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17) Date of grant

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18) Period during which or date on which exercisable

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19) Total amount paid (if any) for grant of the option

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20) Description of shares or debentures involved:  
class, number

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21) Exercise price (if fixed at time of grant) or indication that price is to  
be fixed at time of exercise

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22) Total number of shares or debentures over which options held following this  
notification

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23) Any additional information

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24) Name of contact and telephone number for queries

Ms J. M. Buswell (0171 542 8187)

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

Date of Notification.....16 November .....1999....

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of shares held by each of them. (If notified)

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- 5) Please state whether notification relates to a person(s) connected with the Director named in 2 above and identify the connected person(s)

Discretionary Trust

- 6) Please state the nature of the transaction and the nature and extent of the directors interest in the transaction

Purchase of Shares

- 7) Number of shares/amount of stock acquired

11,850 Shares

- 8) ( . %)

of issued Class Less than 1%

- 9) Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

N/A

- 10) ( . %)

of issued Class

- 11) Class of security

Ordinary Shares

- 12) Price per share

(pound) 6.70

- 13) Date of transaction

19 November 1999

- 14) Date company informed

19 November 1999

- 15) Total holding following this notification

224,498 Ordinary Shares  
Plus 490 shares non-beneficially owned  
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16) Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

Less than 1%

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