

Edgar Filing: SODEXHO ALLIANCE SA - Form 6-K

EXHIBIT LIST

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Press Release

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.

SODEXHO ALLIANCE SA

By: /s/ Sian Herbert-Jones

Name: Sian Herbert-Jones
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 22, 2004

This press release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These include, but are not limited to, statements regarding anticipated future events and financial performance with respect to our operations. Forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate strictly to historical or current facts. They often include words like "believe," "expect," "anticipate," "estimated" , "project " , "plan" "pro forma," and "intend" or future or conditional verbs such as "will," "would," or "may." Factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from expected results include, but are not limited to, those set forth in our Registration Statement on Form 20-F, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), the competitive environment in which we operate, changes in general economic conditions and changes in the French, American and/or global financial and/or capital markets. Forward-looking statements represent management 's views as of the date they are made, and we assume no obligation to update any forward-looking statements for actual events occurring after that date. You are cautioned not to place undue reliance on our forward-looking statements.

Sodexho Appoints Chief Executive for United Kingdom and Ireland

Paris, June 17, 2004 - Sodexho Alliance has announced the recruitment of Philip Jansen as Chief Executive for the United Kingdom and Ireland.

Philip Jansen, a 37-year-old British national, will take up his position as of October 1, 2004. He will take responsibility for initiatives to improve profitability in the United Kingdom and Ireland, which are already underway.

Edgar Filing: SODEXHO ALLIANCE SA - Form 6-K

Philip Jansen started his career at Procter & Gamble, has been marketing and sales manager with Dunlop Slazenger, before serving as Managing Director - Consumer Division at Telewest Communication PLC, then latterly as Group Chief Operating Officer at MyTravel Group PLC.

"I'm confident in Phil's ability to motivate and mobilize the team members to accelerate efforts to improve profitability in the UK, just as he's done with other companies and I wish him a lot of success for his new job," said Michel Landel, Chief Operating Officer, Sodexho Alliance and Executive Chairman of Sodexho in the United Kingdom.

Philip Jansen said: "I am delighted to be joining Sodexho Alliance, which has enjoyed record growth and constantly innovated around the world since its creation. I am looking forward to the opportunity to contribute to the Group's future success by developing what is already a substantial business in the UK and Ireland."

BIOGRAPHY

Philip Jansen
Chief Executive for United Kingdom and Ireland

Philip Jansen, 37, joined MyTravel in September 2002 as European Chief Executive and was appointed Group Chief Operating Officer a month later. Philip has played a key role in the stabilizing and reshaping of the MyTravel Group. Before joining MyTravel, Philip was Managing Director of the Consumer Division for Telewest, Britain's second largest cable TV, telecoms and broadband group. While at Telewest, he grew revenues in the consumer business by 30% to GBP 950m and EBITDA by 70% to GBP 390m over three years. Previously, Philip was a senior executive at Dunlop Slazenger Group after spending the first years of his career in various commercial roles at Procter & Gamble, the US based global consumer products giant.

About Sodexho Alliance

Founded in Marseille in 1966 by Chairman and Chief Executive Officer Pierre Bellon, Sodexho Alliance is the world's leading provider of food and management services. With 308,000 employees on 23,900 sites in 76 countries, Sodexho Alliance reported consolidated sales of 11.7 billion euros for the fiscal year that ended on August 31, 2003. The Sodexho Alliance share has been listed since 1983 on the Euronext Paris Bourse, where its market value totals 3.2 billion euro. The Sodexho Alliance share has been listed since April 3, 2002, on the New York Stock Exchange.

Edgar Filing: SODEXHO ALLIANCE SA - Form 6-K

Media Relations: Jerome Chambin
Tel: +33 130 85 74 18
Fax: +33 130 85 52 32
E-mail: jerome.chambin@sodexhoalliance.com

Investor Relations: Jean-Jacques Vironda
Tel: +33 130 85 29 39
Fax +33 130 85 51 81
E-mail: jeanjacques.vironda@sodexhoalliance.com