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BOC GROUP PLC  
Form 6-K  
July 17, 2006

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

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

Report on Form 6-K the period from 3 July to 14 July 2006

The BOC Group plc  
Chertsey Road, Windlesham,  
Surrey GU20 6HJ  
England

(Name and address of registrant's principal executive office)

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  Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1):

Yes:  No:

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Yes:  No:

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:

Enclosures:

1. A notification dated 3 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 30 June 2006 the Company had 514,447,460 Ordinary shares in issue.

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2. A notification dated 3 July 2006 advising that UBS AG have a 11.33% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
3. A notification dated 3 July 2006 in respect of the six monthly block listing return for Savings Related Share Option Schemes and the Executive Option Schemes.
4. A notification dated 4 July 2006 advising that UBS AG have a 7.57% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
5. A notification dated 5 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 4 July 2006 the Company had 514,448,101 Ordinary shares in issue.
6. A notification dated 5 July 2006 advising that Barclays PLC have a 5.72% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
7. A notification dated 6 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 5 July 2006 the Company had 514,455,142 Ordinary shares in issue.
8. A notification dated 7 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 6 July 2006 the Company had 514,460,142 Ordinary shares in issue.
9. A notification dated 7 July 2006 in accordance with Rules 8.1(a) and (b) (i) of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers advising of dealings by directors (together with their close relatives and related trusts) of The BOC Group plc and its subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries and their associated companies.
10. A notification dated 10 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 7 July 2006 the Company had 514,473,859 Ordinary shares in issue.
11. A notification dated 10 July 2006 advising that Barclays PLC have a 3.72% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
12. A notification dated 11 July 2006 notifying of a complaint lodged against The BOC Group plc by Celanese Corporation.
13. A notification dated 13 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 12 July 2006 the Company had 514,478,859 Ordinary shares in issue.
14. A notification dated 13 July 2006 advising that Lehman Brothers International (Europe) have a 4.06% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
15. A notification dated 14 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 13 July 2006 the Company had 514,484,158 Ordinary shares in issue.
16. A notification dated 14 July 2006 in accordance with Rules 8.1(a) and (b) (i) of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers advising of dealings by directors (together with their close relatives and related trusts) of The BOC Group plc and its subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries and their associated companies.

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3 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

RULE 2.10 ANNOUNCEMENT

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The ISIN reference number for the BOC Shares is GB0001081206 and for the American Depositary Shares of BOC is CUSIP055617609.

Each American Depositary Share of BOC represents two BOC Shares.

Contacts:

The BOC Group plc

Christopher Marsay, Director Investor Relations 01276 477222

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Neil Bennett 0207 379 5151

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ON 3 JULY 2006  
AT 12.10 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-0307061208-B202

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company	2. Name of shareholder having a major i
THE BOC GROUP plc	UBS AG

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	4. Name of the registered holder(s) and holder, the number of shares held by
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NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF THE PARTY NAMED IN 2  
ABOVE

SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired      6. Percentage of issued class      7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed      8. Percent

9. Class of security      10. Date of transaction      11. Date

ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH      28 JUNE 2006      30 JU

12. Total holding following this notification      13. Total percentage holding of issued c  
notification

58,302,091      11.33%

14. Any additional information      15. Name of contact and telephone number

IN A LETTER DATED 29 JUNE 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc  
HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT UBS AG HOLDS AN 11.33%  
(PREVIOUSLY 11.20%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY  
SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.      SARAH LARKINS  
ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY  
01276 807383

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

SARAH LARKINS

Date of notification      3 July 2006

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Registered Holders Report

As at 28 June 2006 UBS AG, through the registered holders listed below, had a notifiable interest in 58,302,091 Ordinary shares of 25p each in The BOC Group plc.

Registered Holder      Holding      Perce

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 Material Interest

UBS AG London Branch	37,914,931	7.
UBS Global Asset Management Life Limited	1,326,779	0.

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 Non Material Interest

UBS Global Asset Management (UK) Limited	1,453,584	0.
UBS Global Asset Management - UBS AG	18,527	0.
UBS Fund Management (Switzerland) AG	71,423	0.
UBS O'Connor Limited	1,055,000	0.
UBS AG (Switzerland)	14,927,836	2.
UBS Securities LLC	9,200	0.
UBS Financial Services Inc.	1,060	0.
UBS - WW&BB - UBS AG	26,955	0.
UBS AG, Jersey Branch	1,500	0.
UBS Wealth Management UK (Ltd)	1,495,296	0.
UBS AG TOTAL	58,302,091	11.

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AT 15.19 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-0307061518-2957

SCHEDULE 5

BLOCK LISTING SIX MONTHLY RETURN

To: Listing Applications  
 UK Listing Authority  
 Financial Services Authority  
 25, The North Colonnade  
 Canary Wharf  
 London, E14 5HS

Please ensure the entries on this return are typed

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1. Name of company The BOC Group plc
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2. Name of scheme Savings-Related Share Option Scheme
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3. Period of return: From 1 January 2006 to 30 June 2006
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4. Number and class of share(s) (amount of stock/debt security) not issued under scheme 4,851,657
- 
5. Number of shares issued/allotted under scheme during period: 999,183
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6. Balance under scheme not yet issued/allotted at end of period 3,852,474
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7. Number and class of share(s) (amount of stock/debt securities) originally listed and the date of admission; Listing granted on 5 April 1978 for shares of 25p each
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Please confirm total number of shares in issue at the end of the period in order for us to update 514,447,460 Ord Shares of 25p each

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Contact for queries: Jenny Peterkin Address: The BOC Group plc, Chertsey Windlesham, Surrey, GU20 6HJ

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Name: Jenny Peterkin Telephone: 01276 807362

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Person making return Name: Jenny Peterkin  
Position: Company Secretarial Assistant Signature: Jenny Peterkin

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To: Listing Applications  
UK Listing Authority  
Financial Services Authority  
25, The North Colonnade  
Canary Wharf  
London, E14 5HS

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1. Name of company The BOC Group plc

2. Name of scheme Executive Share Option Scheme

3. Period of return: 1 January 2006 to 30 June 2006

4. Number and class of share(s) (amount of stock/debt security) not issued under scheme 9,122,120

5. Number of shares issued/allotted under scheme during period: 7,744,938

6. Balance under scheme not yet issued/allotted at end of period 1,377,182

7. Number and class of share(s) (amount of stock/debt securities) originally listed and the date of admission; Listing granted on 20 March 1985 for shares of 25p each

Please confirm total number of shares in issue at the end of the period in order for us to update 514,447,460 Ord Shares of 25p each

Contact for queries: Jenny Peterkin

Address: The BOC Group plc, Chertsey  
Windlesham, Surrey, GU20 6HJ

Name: Jenny Peterkin

Telephone: 01276 807362

Person making return

Name: Jenny Peterkin

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Position: Company Secretarial Assistant

Signature: Jenny Peterkin

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ON 4 JULY 2006  
AT 13.01 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-0407061258-EECE

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

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1. Name of company		2. Name of shareholder having a major interest	
THE BOC GROUP plc		UBS AG	
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		4. Name of the registered holder(s) and holder, the number of shares held by	
NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF THE PARTY NAMED IN 2 ABOVE		UBS AG LONDON BRANCH - 37,620,102 UBS GLOBAL ASSET MANAGEMENT LIFE LIM UBS SECURITIES LLC - 13,000 UBS FINANCIAL SERVICES INC - 1,060	
5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired	6. Percentage of issued class	7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed	8. Percentage of stock disposed
9. Class of security		10. Date of transaction	11. Date
ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH		30 JUNE 2006	4 JULY 2006
12. Total holding following this notification		13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification	
38,960,941		7.57%	



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14. Any additional information

15. Name of contact and telephone number

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(PREVIOUSLY 11.33%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY  
SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.  
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SARAH LARKINS  
ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY  
01276 807383  
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16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

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SARAH LARKINS  
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Date of notification 4 JULY 2006  
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ON 5 JULY 2006  
AT 09.17 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-0507060916-2AA5

5 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

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Contacts:

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ON 5 JULY 2006  
AT 11.39 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-0507061137-24B8

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

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1. Name of company	2. Name of shareholder having a major interest
THE BOC GROUP plc	BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS AUSTRALIA GERRARD LTD - 2,802,248 BARCLAYS BANK TRUST COMPANY LTD - 65 BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TRUST LTD BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE CO LTD - 823 BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TRUST LTD BARCLAYS BANK PLC - 10,288,591 BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC - 10,240 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS CANADA LTD BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK LTD - 5,585 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUST BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS - 1,55 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS LTD - 6,42 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN LTD BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, N.A. - 5, BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES LTD - 94

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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	4. Name of the registered holder(s) and holder, the number of shares held by
NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF PARTY NAMED IN 2 ABOVE.	SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE.

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5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired	6. Percentage of issued class	7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed	8. Percentage
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9. Class of security	10. Date of transaction	11. Date
ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH	30 JUNE 2006	5 JULY 2006

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12. Total holding following this notification 29,407,224

13. Total percentage holding of issued ordinary shares following notification 5.72%

14. Any additional information  
 IN A LETTER DATED 3 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT BARCLAYS PLC HOLDS A 5.72% (PREVIOUSLY 3.72%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.

15. Name of contact and telephone number  
 SARAH LARKINS  
 ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY  
 01276 807383

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification  
 SARAH LARKINS

Date of notification 5 JULY 2006

Registered Holders Report

As at 30 June 2006 Barclays PLC, through the registered holders listed below, had a notifiable interest in 29,407,224 Ordinary shares of 25p each in The BOC Group plc.

Registered Holder	Account Information	Holding
Bank of Ireland	426360	2,224,000
Bank of New York		36,000
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		919,000
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		25,000

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Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		7,
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		10,28
Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.		2,
Barclays Global Investors Canada		36,
Barclays Trust Co & Others		1,
Barclays Trust Co as Exec/ADM		2
Barclays Trust Co DMC69		13,
Barclays Trust Co R69		50,
BNP Paribas		21,
Chase Nominees Ltd	16376	248
Chase Nominees Ltd	20947	1,93
Chase Nominees Ltd	28270	31,
Chase Nominees Ltd	28270	164
CIBC Mellon Global Securities		16,
Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125	00068640801	2,
Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225	00120146302	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	603856	2,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	608459	2
Gerrard Nominees Limited	611717	9
Gerrard Nominees Limited	615411	5
Gerrard Nominees Limited	617906	8
Gerrard Nominees Limited	635860	5
Gerrard Nominees Limited	639311	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	643975	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	653035	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	658574	5
Gerrard Nominees Limited	658729	6
Gerrard Nominees Limited	660968	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	770101	2,
Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM1)		291
Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)	126066DA	1,

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Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)	220805DN	20,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		1,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		159
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		129
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		1,24
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		347
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		2,59
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		21,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		515
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		2,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		46,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		14,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		111
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		819
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		86,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		30,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		57,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		108
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		8,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		28,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		3,

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Registered Holder	Account Information	Hol
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16331	107
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16338	30,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16341	74,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16341	277
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16342	64,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16344	24,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16345	40,

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JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16400	4,21
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	17011	8,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	18408	21,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		29,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		16,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		139
JPMorgan Chase Bank		276
JPMorgan Chase Bank		25,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		59,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		12,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		2,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		2
JPMorgan Chase Bank		30,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		60,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		5,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		68,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		45,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		54,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		52,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		73,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		4,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		3,
Master Trust Bank		1,
Mellon Trust - US Custodian		20,
Mellon Trust - US Custodian		37,
Mellon Trust of New England		22,
Mitsubishi Trust International		1,



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ON 7 JULY 2006  
AT 09.03 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-0707060902-0937

7 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

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 AT 13.15 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-0707061313-C657

FORM 8.1

DEALINGS BY OFFERORS, OFFEREE COMPANIES OR THEIR ASSOCIATES  
 FOR THEMSELVES OR FOR DISCRETIONARY CLIENTS  
 (Rules 8.1(a) and (b) (i) of the Takeover Code)

1. KEY INFORMATION

Name of person dealing (Note 1)	Kathryn Anne HOCKER
Company dealt in	The BOC Group plc
Class of relevant security to which the dealings being disclosed relate (Note 2)	Ordinary shares of 25 pence each
Date of dealing	25 April 2006

2. INTERESTS, SHORT POSITIONS AND RIGHTS TO SUBSCRIBE

(a) Interests and short positions (following dealing) in the class of relevant security dealt

	Long	
	Number	(%)
(1) Relevant securities	Nil	0.00%
(2) Derivatives (other than options)	N/A	N/A
(3) Options and agreements to purchase/sell	N/A	N/A
Total	Nil	0.00%

(b) Interests and short positions in relevant securities of the company, other than the class

Class of relevant security:	Long		
	Number	(%)	Number
(1) Relevant securities	N/A	N/A	

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(2) Derivatives (other than options)	N/A	N/A
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(3) Options and agreements to	N/A	N/A
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purchase/sell

Total	N/A	N/A
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(c) Rights to subscribe (Note 3)

Class of relevant security:	Details
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Ordinary Shares of 25p each	13,117
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3. DEALINGS (Note 4)

(a) Purchases and sales

Purchase/sale	Number of securities	Price per security
Sale	146	1557p

(b) Derivatives transactions (other than options)

Product name, e.g. CFD	Long/short (Note 6)	Number of securities (Note 7)
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N/A	N/A	N/A
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(c) Options transactions in respect of existing securities

(i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

Product name, e.g. call option	Writing, selling, purchasing, varying etc.	Number of securities to which the option relates (Note 7)	Exercise price	Type, e.g. American, European etc.
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N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
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(ii) Exercising

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Product name, e.g. call option	Number of securities	Exercise
N/A	N/A	N/A

(d) Other dealings (including new securities) (Note 4)

Nature of transaction (Note 8)	Details	Price per share (Note 5)
N/A	N/A	N/A

4. OTHER INFORMATION

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Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or derivatives

Full details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding between the person disclosing and any other person, or the voting rights of any relevant securities under any option referred to on this form or relating to the future acquisition or disposal of any relevant securities to which any derivative referred to on this form relates, none, this should be stated.

None

Is a Supplemental Form 8 attached? (Note 9) - NO

Date of disclosure	7 July 2006
Contact name	Sarah Larkins
Telephone number	01276 807383
Name of offeree/offeror with which associated	The BOC Group plc
Specify category and nature of associate status (Note 10)	Category (3) - directors, close relatives and associates of the Group plc and its subsidiaries and the

Notes

The Notes on Form 8.1 can be viewed on the Takeover Panel's website at [www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk](http://www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk)

THE BOC GROUP plc ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED TO A REGULATORY INFORMATION SERVICE  
ON 10 JULY 2006  
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10 July 2006

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SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company

THE BOC GROUP plc

2. Name of shareholder having a major i

BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES LTD - 95  
BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE CO LTD - 827  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS AUSTRALIA  
BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC - 10,240

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BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TRUST LTD  
 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS LTD - 6,42  
 BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS - 1,55  
 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS CANADA LTD  
 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN LTD  
 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, N.A. - 5,  
 BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TRUST LTD  
 BARCLAYS BANK TRUST COMPANY LTD - 64  
 GERRARD LTD - 2,795,979  
 BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUS  
 BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK LTD - 5,585

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

4. Name of the registered holder(s) and holder, the number of shares held by

SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE.

NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF PARTIES NAMED IN 2 ABOVE.

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired

6. Percentage of issued class

7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

8. Percent

9. Class of security

10. Date of transaction

11. Date

ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH

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12. Total holding following this notification

13. Total percentage holding of issued c notification

19,119,881

3.72%

14. Any additional information

15. Name of contact and telephone number

IN A LETTER DATED 6 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc

SARAH LARKINS

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HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT BARCLAYS PLC HOLDS A 3.72%  
(PREVIOUSLY 5.72%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY SHARE  
CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.

ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY  
01276 807383

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16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification  
  
SARAH LARKINS  
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Date of notification 10 JULY 2006  
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### Registered Holders Report

As at 5 July 2006 Barclays PLC, through the registered holders listed below, had a notifiable interest in 19,119,881 Ordinary shares of 25p each in The BOC Group plc.

Registered Holder	Account Information	Holds
Bank of Ireland	426360	2,
Bank of New York		36,
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		926
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		25,
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		7,
Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.		2,
Barclays Global Investors Canada		36,
Barclays Trust Co & Others		8
Barclays Trust Co as Exec/ADM		2
Barclays Trust Co DMC69		13,
Barclays Trust Co R69		50,
BNP Paribas		21,
Chase Nominees Ltd	16376	248

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Chase Nominees Ltd	20947	1,93
Chase Nominees Ltd	28270	31,
Chase Nominees Ltd	28270	164
CIBC Mellon Global Securities		16,
Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125	00068640801	2,
Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225	00120146302	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	603856	2,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	608459	2
Gerrard Nominees Limited	611717	9
Gerrard Nominees Limited	615411	5
Gerrard Nominees Limited	617906	8
Gerrard Nominees Limited	635860	5
Gerrard Nominees Limited	639311	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	643975	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	653035	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	658574	5
Gerrard Nominees Limited	658729	6
Gerrard Nominees Limited	660968	1,
Gerrard Nominees Limited	770101	2,
Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM1)		291
Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)	126066DA	1,
Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)	220805DN	20,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		129
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		108
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		30,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		2,59
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		1,24
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		511
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		46,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		28,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		819

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Investors Bank and Trust Co.		347
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		111
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		8,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		2,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		57,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		1,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		21,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		159
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		14,
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		86,
Investors Bank and Trust Co		3,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16331	107

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Registered Holder	Account Information	Hol
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16338	30,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16341	74,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16341	281
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16342	64,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16344	24,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16345	40,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16400	4,21
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	17011	8,
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	18408	21,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		59,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		25,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		29,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		4,
JPMorgan Chase Bank		5,



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JPMorgan Chase Bank	2,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	1,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	31,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	1,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	73,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	3,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	12,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	16,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	1,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	60,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	2,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	54,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	1,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	68,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	276,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	50,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	45,
JPMorgan Chase Bank	139,
Master Trust Bank	1,
Mellon Trust _ US Custodian	20,
Mellon Trust - US Custodian	37,
Mellon Trust of New England	22,
Mitsubishi Trust International	1,
Mitsui Asset	8,
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	11,
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	56,
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	46,
R C Greig Nominees Limited	1,69,
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c AK1	374,
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1	75,
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c CM1	54,

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R C Greig Nominees Limited GP1	157
R C Greig Nominees Limited SA1	106
Reflex Nominees Limited	1
State Street Bank & Trust - W1	42,
State Street Bank and Trust Co	44,
State Street Boston	263
State Street Trust of Canada	38,
The Northern Trust Company - U	26,
Trust & Custody Services Bank	5,
Trust & Custody Services Bank	3
Zeban Nominees Limited	5,
TOTAL	19,11

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ON 11 JULY 2006  
AT 07.36 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1107060729-760B

11 July 2006

NOTIFICATION OF COMPLAINT BY CELANESE

The BOC Group plc ("BOC") has been informed by Celanese Corporation that it has lodged a complaint against BOC in the District Court of Dallas County, Texas, relating to the development by Celanese Corporation and Celanese (Nanjing) Chemical Co., Ltd. ("Celanese") of a new acetic acid manufacturing plant in Nanjing, China and associated industrial gas supply arrangements. The amounts claimed are USD 250 million for compensatory damages and an additional amount in exemplary damages, suggesting a total of not less than USD 960 million. Celanese has not served the complaint on BOC.

BOC believes the case to be completely without merit and it will vigorously defend it. BOC notes the timing of this complaint and that Celanese gave no indication of a proposed claim prior to its notification of intended legal action.

Following notification of the above, Linde AG has informed BOC that it expects the final pre-condition to the offer (which relates to anti-trust) by Linde AG for BOC to be satisfied within the next month and that the scheme document will be despatched to BOC shareholders immediately thereafter. The consent of the High Court to the despatch of the scheme document has been obtained. Completion of the offer is still expected to take place in the third calendar quarter of 2006.

Contacts:

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The BOC Group plc  
Christopher Marsay, Director Investor Relations 01276 477222

The Maitland Consultancy  
Neil Bennett 0207 379 5151

This announcement does not constitute an offer or invitation to purchase any securities. BOC Shareholders are advised to read carefully the formal documentation in relation to the offer by Linde AG once it has been despatched.

This announcement includes 'forward-looking statements' under United States securities laws. These include, without limitation, those concerning the outcome of pending and threatened litigation, the completion of the offer, as well as statements typically containing words such as "intends", "expects", "believes", "anticipates", "targets", "estimates" and words of similar import. By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risk and uncertainty because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that will occur in the future. There are a number of factors that could cause actual results and developments to differ materially from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements. More detailed information about certain of these factors is contained in BOC's filings with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC), including its annual report on Form 20-F, which are available on BOC's website, [www.boc.com](http://www.boc.com), and on the SEC's website, [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). Other unknown or unpredictable factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those in the forward-looking statements. BOC does not undertake any obligation to update publicly or revise forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise, except to the extent legally required.

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ON 13 JULY 2006  
AT 09.00 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1307060855-570B

13 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

### RULE 2.10 ANNOUNCEMENT

The BOC Group plc ("BOC") announces, in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, that as at the close of business on 12 July 2006 it had in issue 514,478,859 (including those represented by ADSs) ordinary shares of 25 pence each ("BOC Shares").

The ISIN reference number for the BOC Shares is GB0001081206 and for the American Depositary Shares of BOC is CUSIP055617609.

Each American Depositary Share of BOC represents two BOC Shares.

### Contacts:

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ON 13 JULY 2006  
AT 11.11 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1307061109-6BC6

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company		2. Name of shareholder having a major interest	
THE BOC GROUP plc		LEHMAN BROTHERS INTERNATIONAL (EUROPEAN)	
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		4. Name of the registered holder(s) and the number of shares held by each	
NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF A PARTY NAMED IN 2 ABOVE		SEE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION	
5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired	6. Percentage of issued class	7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed	8. Percentage of stock disposed
9. Class of security		10. Date of transaction	11. Date of notification
ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH		11 JULY 2006	13 JULY 2006
12. Total holding following this notification		13. Total percentage holding of issued class of shares following this notification	
20,860,812		4.06%	

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14. Any additional information

15. Name of contact and telephone number

IN A LETTER DATED 12 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc  
HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT LEHMAN BROTHERS  
INTERNATIONAL (EUROPE) HOLDS A 4.06% INTEREST  
(PREVIOUSLY 3.49%) IN THE ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL  
OF THE COMPANY.

SARAH LARKINS  
ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY  
01276 807383

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

SARAH LARKINS

Date of notification 13 JULY 2006

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ON 14 JULY 2006  
AT 08.55 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1407060853-30A7

14 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

RULE 2.10 ANNOUNCEMENT

The BOC Group plc ("BOC") announces, in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, that as at the close of business on 13 July 2006 it had in issue 514,484,158 (including those represented by ADSs) ordinary shares of 25 pence each ("BOC Shares").

The ISIN reference number for the BOC Shares is GB0001081206 and for the American Depositary Shares of BOC is CUSIP055617609.

Each American Depositary Share of BOC represents two BOC Shares.

Contacts:

The BOC Group plc

Christopher Marsay, Director Investor Relations 01276 477222

The Maitland Consultancy

Neil Bennett 0207 379 5151

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AT 14.34 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1407061433-CCAC

FORM 8.1

DEALINGS BY OFFERORS, OFFEREE COMPANIES OR THEIR ASSOCIATES  
FOR THEMSELVES OR FOR DISCRETIONARY CLIENTS  
(Rules 8.1(a) and (b) (i) of the Takeover Code)

1. KEY INFORMATION

Name of person dealing (Note 1)	See attached Schedule
Company dealt in	The BOC Group plc
Class of relevant security to which the dealings being disclosed relate (Note 2)	Ordinary shares of 25 pence each
Date of dealing	See attached Schedule

2. INTERESTS, SHORT POSITIONS AND RIGHTS TO SUBSCRIBE

(a) Interests and short positions (following dealing) in the class of relevant security dealt

	Long	
	Number	(%)
(1) Relevant securities	See attached Schedule	See attached Schedule
(2) Derivatives (other than options)	N/A	N/A
(3) Options and agreements to purchase/sell	N/A	N/A
Total	See attached Schedule	See attached Schedule

(b) Interests and short positions in relevant securities of the company, other than the clas

Class of relevant security: Long

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	Number	(%)	Number
(1) Relevant securities	N/A	N/A	
(2) Derivatives (other than options)	N/A	N/A	

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(3) Options and agreements to purchase/sell	N/A	N/A	
Total	N/A	N/A	

(c) Rights to subscribe (Note 3)

Class of relevant security:	Details
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Ordinary Shares of 25p each	See attached Schedule
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3. DEALINGS (Note 4)

(a) Purchases and sales

Purchase/sale	Number of securities	Price per
See attached Schedule		

(b) Derivatives transactions (other than options)

Product name, e.g. CFD	Long/short (Note 6)	Number of securities (Note 7)
N/A	N/A	N/A

(c) Options transactions in respect of existing securities

(i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

Product name, e.g. call option	Writing, selling,	Number of securities to which the option	Exercise price	Type, e.g. American,
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	purchasing, varying etc.	relates (Note 7)		European etc.
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

(ii) Exercising

Product name, e.g. call option	Number of securities	Exercise
N/A	N/A	N/A

(d) Other dealings (including new securities) (Note 4)

Nature of transaction (Note 8)	Details	Price per 5)
N/A	N/A	N/A

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4. OTHER INFORMATION

Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or derivatives

Full details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding between the person disclosing and any the voting rights of any relevant securities under any option referred to on this form or relating to future acquisition or disposal of any relevant securities to which any derivative referred to on none, this should be stated.

None

Is a Supplemental Form 8 attached? (Note 9) - NO

Date of disclosure	14 July 2006
Contact name	Sarah Larkins
Telephone number	01276 807383
Name of offeree/offeror with which associated	The BOC Group plc
Specify category and nature of associate status (Note 10)	Category (3) - direct close relatives and Group plc and its subsidiaries and the



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Notes

The Notes on Form 8.1 can be viewed on the Takeover Panel's website at [www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk](http://www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk)

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SCHEDULE

Form 8.1 Aggregated Dealings Disclosure

For category 3 associates the period 7 July to 14 July 2006

Part A - Purchases and Sales

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Name	Date of dealing	Purchase/Sale	Number of shares	Price (L)
Carol Anne Hunt	11/07/2006	Sale	1	1600
Raymond Walker	10/07/2006	Sale	342	1587

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Part C - Rights to Subscribe

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Name	Holding of shares under option Number
Carol Anne Hunt	7,425
Raymond Walker	1,752

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant, The BOC Group plc, has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

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Date: July 17, 2006

By: /s/ Sarah Larkins

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Name: Sarah Larkins

Title: Assistant Company Secretary

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