

INTERCONTINENTAL HOTELS GROUP PLC /NEW/  
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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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**FORM 6-K**

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 AND 15d-16 OF  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For 02 September 2005

**InterContinental Hotels Group PLC**  
(Registrant's name)

67 Alma Road, Windsor, Berkshire, SL4 3HD, England  
(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.

Form 20-F      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.

Yes      No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): Not applicable

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Number	Exhibit Description
99.1	Directorate Change dated 25 August 2005
99.2	Australia and NZ Disposal dated 01 September 2005

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25 August 2005

**InterContinental Hotels Group PLC**  
**Board Appointments**

InterContinental Hotels Group PLC (IHG) today announces that Jonathan ("Jon")

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Linen and Jennifer Laing have been appointed as additional independent non-executive directors of the company. Jennifer Laing will join the IHG board with effect from today. Jonathan Linen will join the IHG board with effect from 1 December 2005.

Jon Linen, aged 61, is Vice Chairman of the American Express Company, a position he has held since 1993, and a member of the American Express Global Leadership and Global Management Teams. He was formerly President and Chief Operating Officer of American Express Travel Related Services Company Inc. He joined the American Express Company in 1969 and held a range of positions in New Product Development, Service Establishment, Marketing and Sales, and Travel Services based in both the US and the UK. He also served as President and Chief Executive Officer of Shearson Lehman Brothers, when it was owned by American Express in the early 1990s. Jon is a member of the Council on Foreign Relations and is on the executive committee of The Travel Business RoundTable, The World Travel and Tourism Council and NYC&Company. He is a director of Bausch and Lomb, Yum! Brands, Inc. and the US Travel and Tourism Promotional Advisory Board.

Jennifer Laing, aged 58, is Associate Dean, External Relations at the London Business School, a role which encompasses the development and enhancement of the London Business School brand globally. She has held this position since 2002. Prior to this she was with Saatchi & Saatchi, most recently as Chairman and CEO of their North American Operations. In the late 1980s she ran and then acquired an advertising agency which became Laing Henry Limited, before selling the business to Saatchi & Saatchi in 1995. She then became Chairman, Saatchi & Saatchi Advertising UK and later progressed to the board of Saatchi & Saatchi Worldwide. Jennifer is a non-executive director of Hudson Highland Group Inc., a US human resources company, and was formerly a non-executive director of Remploy and a non-executive director of the Great Ormond Street Hospital for Children NHS Trust. She is also a Fellow of the Marketing Society and a Fellow of the Institute of Practitioners in Advertising.

Commenting on their appointments, David Webster, IHG's non-executive chairman, said "I am delighted that Jon and Jennifer have agreed to join our board and we very much look forward to welcoming them at this important time in the strategic development of the company. Their depth of experience in their respective professional fields, worldwide travel and advertising (associated with brand success), mean they will both become invaluable members of the non-executive team".

Jon Linen and Jennifer Laing will serve on the remuneration and audit committees respectively of the IHG board and both will serve on the nomination committee.

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Notes to Editors

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### INTERCONTINENTAL HOTELS GROUP

#### **SALE OF 10 HOTELS IN AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND AND FIJI FOR A\$405 MILLION (£170 MILLION)**

(LONDON) 1 September 2005-InterContinental Hotels Group PLC ("IHG") today announced it has sold nine hotels in Australia and New Zealand to Eureka Funds Management Ltd ("Eureka"), for A\$390 million (£164 million) in cash (before transaction costs), above the net book value of A\$315 million (£133 million).

IHG has also sold a further hotel, Holiday Inn, Suva, to FNPF Investment Limited (FIL) the wholly-owned subsidiary of the Fiji National Provident Fund ("FNPF") for A\$15 million (£6 million) in cash, bringing the total sale price of the ten hotels to A\$405 million (£170 million).

IHG will continue to manage the hotels for Eureka and FNPF under ten year management contracts, each with an option to extend for ten further years at IHG's discretion. Management fees in the first full year are expected to be ca. US\$4 million.

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The transactions are expected to complete in the fourth quarter of 2005. Proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes.

The ten hotels (2,310 rooms) were placed on the market in April 2005 as part of IHG's continuing asset disposal programme. They consist of InterContinental Wellington in New Zealand, three Crowne Plaza hotels in Australia, five Holiday Inn hotels in Australia and Holiday Inn Suva in Fiji.

Andrew Cosslett, Chief Executive, IHG commented: "The team in Australia have secured a deal which has resulted in transaction terms beyond our initial expectations and attractive long term contracts. We are delighted to be establishing long term relationships with business partners of the calibre of Eureka and FNPF. They join a growing group of leading investors world wide, who have demonstrated their faith in InterContinental Hotels Group brands and expertise."

Bob Kelly, Managing Director of Eureka, stated: "The transaction reflects the increased acceptance of the hotel sector by its institutional investors. We look forward to a strong relationship with InterContinental Hotels Group. The brand diversity, location spread and strong business foundation which have been laid by the Group through its ownership and management over the years were the key attractions of the portfolio of hotels to Eureka."

### Transaction details

1. IHG has sold nine (9) hotels to Eureka Funds Management Ltd for a total sale price of A\$390 million (£164 million) (before transaction costs), above net book value of A\$315 million (£133 million).

2. IHG has sold Holiday Inn Suva to the Fiji National Provident Fund for F\$19 million (£6 million). Net book value of this asset was £5 million.

3. No tax charge arises and no cash tax is expected to be payable as a result of these transactions.

4. Management fees in first full year expected to be ca. US\$4 million

5. Since Separation in April 2003, including today's announcement, IHG will have disposed of 136 hotels with proceeds of £2.0 billion. Nine properties remain on the market with a net book value of ca. £220 million.

Sales announced today: 10 hotels, 2,310 rooms, net proceeds of £170 million:

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	2004	2003
	US\$	US\$
Revenue	113	97
EBITDA	27	23
EBIT	16	15

Hotel	Rooms
InterContinental Wellington, New Zealand	231
Crowne Plaza Canberra	295
Crowne Plaza Coogee Beach	207
Crowne Plaza Terrigal	196
Holiday Inn Melbourne	383
Holiday Inn on Flinders, Melbourne	200
Holiday Inn City Centre Perth	181
Holiday Inn Potts Point	288
Holiday Inn Townsville	199
Holiday Inn Suva	130

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InterContinental Hotels Group offers information and online reservations for all its hotel brands at [www.ichotelsgroup.com](http://www.ichotelsgroup.com) and information for the Priority Club Rewards programme at [www.priorityclub.com](http://www.priorityclub.com)

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### **Cautionary note regarding forward-looking statements**

This announcement contains certain forward-looking statements as defined under US law (Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934). These forward-looking statements can be identified by the fact that they do not relate to historical or current facts. Forward-looking statements often use words such as 'target', 'expect', 'intend', 'believe' or other words of similar meaning. By their nature, forward-looking statements are inherently predictive, speculative and involve risk and uncertainty. There are a number of factors that could cause actual results and

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developments to differ materially from those expressed in or implied by such forward-looking statements. Factors that could affect the business and the financial results are described in "Risk Factors" in the InterContinental Hotels Group PLC Annual Report on Form 20-F filed with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

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.

**InterContinental Hotels Group PLC**  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ C. Cox  
Name: C. COX  
Title: COMPANY SECRETARIAL OFFICER

Date: 02 September 2005