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Office of International Corporate Finance  
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Dear Sir

LAURA ASHLEY HOLDINGS plc  
FILE NO 82-1356

Pursuant to the exemptions granted to Laura Ashley Holdings plc (the "Company") under Rule 12g3-2 (b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, please find enclosed an announcement released to the London Stock Exchange by the Company.

**Please receipt stamp the enclosed copy of this letter and return it to the undersigned in the envelope provided.**

Yours faithfully

Ann. E. Mantz  
Company Secretary

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cc. Mr. Brian Teitelbaum (Citibank)



A Member of The MUI Group

16 May 2002

LAURA ASHLEY HOLDINGS plc  
Director's Dealings

Laura Ashley Holdings plc ("the Company") has been advised today that Dr Khoo Kay Peng, Chairman of the Company, is deemed to have an interest in an additional 5,000,000 ordinary shares in the capital of the Company. The shares were acquired by Bonham Industries Limited on 14 May 2002 at £0.1850 per share.

Dr Khoo Kay Peng is now deemed to have an interest in a total of 67,406,867 ordinary shares representing 11.294% of the Company's issued ordinary share capital.

The shareholding represents the interest of Dr Khoo Kay Peng, Bonham Industries Limited, Soo Lay Holdings, Sdn Bhd and KKP Holdings Sdn. Bhd.

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