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**Brambles**

8 August 2003

Securities and Exchange Commission  
Division of Corporation Finance  
450 Fifth Street NW  
Washington DC 20549  
USA



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**RE: BRAMBLES INDUSTRIES PLC**  
**Rule 12g3-2(b) Exemption (File No. 82-5205)**

Dear Sirs and Mesdames,

The enclosed information is being submitted by Brambles Industries plc (the "Company") under paragraph (b) (1) (i) of Rule 12g3-2 under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (the "Exchange Act"). The Company's file number is indicated in the upper right hand corner of each unbound page submitted with this letter.

In accordance with paragraphs (b) (4) and (b) (5) of the Rule, the documents submitted with this letter are being submitted with the understanding that such documents will not be deemed "filed" with the Securities and Exchange Commission or otherwise subject to the liabilities of Section 18 of the Exchange Act, and that neither this letter nor the submission of such documents shall constitute an admission for any purpose that the Company is subject to the Exchange Act.

Yours faithfully

*Sandra Walters*

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Assistant Company Secretary

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NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

- 1) Name of company  
Brambles Industries plc
- 2) Name of shareholder having a major interest  
Putnam Investment Management, LLC and The Putnam Advisory Company, LLC
- 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  
  
On behalf of clients of Putnam Investment Management, LLC and The Putnam Advisory Company, LLC
- 4) Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them  
  
Not advised
- 5) Number of shares/amount of stock acquired  
  
N/A
- 6) Percentage of issued class  
  
N/A
- 7) Number of shares/amount of stock disposed  
  
Not advised
- 8) Percentage of issued class  
  
Not advised
- 9) Class of security  
  
Ordinary shares of 5p each
- 10) Date of transaction  
  
Not advised
- 11) Date company informed  
  
7 August 2003
- 12) Total holding following this notification  
  
42,948,733
- 13) Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

5.93%

14) Any additional information

N/A

15) Name of contact and telephone number for queries

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16) Name of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

Sandra Walters, Assistant Company Secretary

Date of notification - 8 August 2003