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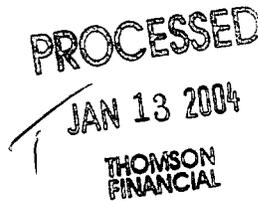
17 December 2003



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



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



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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

Sandra Walters
Assistant Company Secretary

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SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

- 1) Name of company
Brambles Industries plc
- 2) Name of shareholder having a major interest
The Capital Group Companies, Inc.
- 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 its affiliates
- 4) Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them

See list appended
- 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

16 December 2003
- 12) Total holding following this notification

57,823,040
- 13) Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

7.99%

14) Any additional information

This notice relates to the decrease in holding of Capital Research and Management Company from 1.32% to 0.97%

15) Name of contact and telephone number for queries

Sandra Walters - 020 7659 6039

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

Sandra Walters, Assistant Company Secretary

Date of notification 17 December 2003

Details of Registered Holders

Capital Guardian Trust Company 2.66%

State Street Nominees Limited	3,971,000
Bank of New York Nominees	265,000
Chase Nominees Limited	8,529,622
BT Globenet Nominees Ltd.	227,700
Midland Bank plc	2,424,000
Bankers Trust	948,700
Barclays Bank, Barclays Global Securities Services	445,900
Citibank London	19,200
Nortrust Nominees	2,028,700
Royal Bank of Scotland	8,800
MSS Nominees Limited	18,000
ROY Nominees Limited	28,700
Mellon Nominees (UK) Limited	326,890
Total	19,242,212

Capital International Limited 2.70%

State Street Nominees Limited	536,181
Bank of New York Nominees	4,424,331
Northern Trust	356,815
Chase Nominees Limited	4,790,459
Midland Bank plc	236,500
Bankers Trust	1,949,668
Barclays Bank, Barclays Global Securities Services	225,100
Citibank London	400,800
Morgan Guaranty	246,045
Nortrust Nominees	2,861,177
Royal Bank of Scotland	39,500
MSS Nominees Limited	194,000
State Street Bank & Trust Co	363,586
Lloyds Bank	97,700
Deutsche Bank AG	589,600
HSEC Bank plc	823,840
Mellon Bank N.A.	370,804
Northern Trust AVFC	246,800
KAS UK	31,415
Mellon Nominees (UK) Limited	299,000

Bank One London	321,780
Clydesdale Bank plc	114,800
Total	19,519,901

Capital International S.A. 1.42%

State Street Nominees Limited	40,900
Bank of New York Nominees	68,800
Chase Nominees Limited	3,269,541
Credit Suisse London Branch	93,600
Midland Bank plc	883,900
Barclays Bank, Barclays Global Securities Services	955,900
Citibank London	46,800
Brown Bros.	128,500
Nortrust Nominees	36,200
Morgan Stanley	40,300
Royal Bank of Scotland	2,202,197
J.P. Morgan	1,215,136
State Street Bank & Trust Co.	51,400
National Westminster Bank	265,900
Lloyds Bank	58,156
RBSTB Nominees Ltd.	120,800
Citibank NA	53,300
Deutsche Bank AG	401,746
HSBC Bank plc	354,840
Total	10,287,916

Capital International Inc. 0.24%

State Street Nominees Limited	968,000
Bank of New York Nominees	30,900
Chase Nominees Limited	67,100
Midland Bank plc	196,100
Bankers Trust	19,000
Nortrust Nominees	85,326
Royal Bank of Scotland	213,800
State Street Bank & Trust Co	39,100
RBSTB Nominees Ltd.	39,300
HSBC Bank plc	114,385
Total	1,773,011

Capital Research and Management Company 0.97%

Chase Nominees Limited	7,000,000
Total	7,000,000