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3 February 2004

The United States Securities and Exchange Commission
Exemption File 82-5204
Division of Corporate Finance
Room 3094 (3-6)
450 5th Street
Northwest
Washington DC 20549
USA

New GKN PLC



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Dear Sirs,

GKN plc – notification of major interests in shares

FEB 19 2004

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For your information I enclose a copy of the above announcement..

Yours faithfully,

S. Decker

pp **David Pavey**
Assistant Company Secretary

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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 GKN PLC		2. Name of shareholder having a major interest FRANKLIN RESOURCES, 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 SHAREHOLDER NAMED IN 2		4. Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them Bank of New York – 155,220 Chase Nominees Limited – 27,632,676 Citibank – 425,283 Clydesdale Bank plc – 2,533,630 Euroclear Bruxelles – 8,433 Mellon Bank – 83,045 Northern Trust Company – 348,439 Royal Trust Corp of Canada – 1,175,076 State Street Nominees Limited – 2,646,720	
5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired NOT KNOWN	6. Percentage of issued class NOT KNOWN	7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed	8. Percentage of issued class
9. Class of security ORDINARY SHARES OF 50P EACH		10. Date of transaction NOT KNOWN	11. Date company informed 3 FEBRUARY 2004
12. Total holding following this notification 35,008,522		13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification 4.77%	
14. Any additional information		15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries PHIL HIGGINS – 01527 533 235	
16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification PHIL HIGGINS			
Date of notification 3 FEBRUARY 2004			