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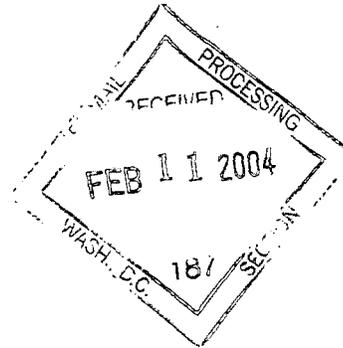
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Dear Sirs

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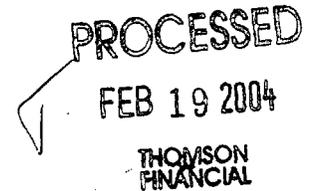
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I enclose a copy of an announcement which was made to the London Stock Exchange this morning which is being supplied as a follow up for our existing exemption.

Yours faithfully

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RESIGNATION OF MARKS & SPENCER NON-EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Marks and Spencer Group plc is announcing that in view of her increasing commitments to London's bid for the Olympic Games for 2012, Barbara Cassani has resigned from the Board as a Non-Executive Director, with effect from 30 April 2004.

Luc Vandavelde, Chairman said: "I am sorry that Barbara has decided to leave the Board, but I fully understand her desire to concentrate solely on bringing the Olympics to Britain in 2012. Marks & Spencer would not wish to distract her in any way from such an important cause and my colleagues on the Board join me in wishing her success and thank her for her contribution."

Barbara Cassani said: "Whilst I would have liked to stay longer at Marks & Spencer, I do not believe I am able to give the role of Non-Executive Director the attention it deserves without it affecting my focus on the task of leading the Olympic bid."

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