

LAURA ASHLEY

RECEIVED

2005 FEB 14 A 10: 02

27 Bagleys Lane, Fulham, London SW6 2QA
Tel. 020 7880 5100 Fax. 020 7880 5200
www.lauraashley.com

OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL
CORPORATE FINANCE



Please reply to Fax No: 020 7880 5111

08 February 2005

BY SWIFTAIR

Securities and Exchange Commission
Office of International Corporate Finance
450 Fifth Street, NW
Washington DC 20549
USA

SUPPL

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 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

Natasha A. Aziz
Assistant Company Secretary

cc. Ms Mary Gormley (Citibank)

PROCESSED

FEB 18 2005

THOMSON
FINANCIAL



A Member of The MUI Group

8th February, 2005

LAURA ASHLEY HOLDINGS plc
("the Company")

Further to the unusual level of recent press speculation, the Board of Laura Ashley Holdings plc confirms that it is not in discussions with respect to the sale of the Company.

Enquiries:

Tom Buchanan
James Olley

Brunswick Group

020 7404 5959