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WRIT RECEIVED IN TOBACCO PRODUCT LIABILITY CASE

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Amer Group Plc and its subsidiary Amerintie 1 Oy (formerly Amer Tobacco Ltd) have been served a writ concerning product liability. The plaintiff is a private individual and the claim for compensation amounts to about EUR 130,000. British American Tobacco Nordic Oy has also been served a writ.

The plaintiff has requested that the suit be heard at the same trial as three other suits, because the grounds for the cases are essentially the same. According to the plaintiff's attorney, the compensation sought in the three other suits is equal in amount to the claim now served; in the case of the other suits, the defendants will be served in the next few days.

The subject of the claim for compensation is the plaintiff's sickness and the marketing and sale of tobacco products during the period 1975-2002. Amer Group divested its tobacco business in March 2004. In Amer Group Plc's view, the claims for compensation are not material to the Group's financial position.

The Group's understanding is that the financial risks related to the discontinued tobacco business have not changed and remain insignificant.

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