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The United States Securities and Exchange Commission  
**Exemption File 82-5204**  
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Dear Sirs,

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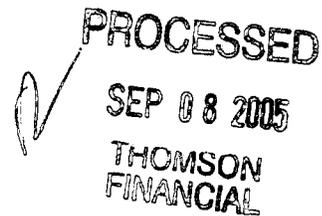
**GKN plc - Notification of major interests in shares**

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

Yours faithfully,

*S. De Ritter*

**Sandie De Ritter**



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**EXEMPTION NO.**  
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**NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES**

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

<p>1. Name of <i>listed company</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">GKN PLC</p>		<p>2. Name of shareholder with a major interest</p> <p style="text-align: center;">BARCLAYS PLC</p>	
<p>3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is regarding the holding of the shareholder named in 2 above; in respect of a non-beneficial interest; or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that <i>person's</i> spouse or children under the age of 18</p> <p style="text-align: center;">SHAREHOLDER NAMED IN 2.</p>		<p>4. Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of <i>shares</i> held by each of them</p> <p>Barclays Trust Co &amp; Others – 5,712          Barclays Trust Co – 76,305          Boiss Nominees Limited – 317, 216          Chase Nominees Limited – 398,247          Clydesdale Nominees – 17,860          Gerard Nominees Limited – 171,955          Greig Middleton Nominees - 827,352          Investors Bank and Trust Co – 6,815,975          JP Morgan (BGI Custody) – 8,973,643          JP Morgan Chase Bank – 1,072,233          Mellon Trust – Boston &amp; SF – 99,608          Mitsubishi Trust International – 5,350          R C Greig Nominees Limited – 7,029,589          Reflex Nominees Limited – 3,418          State Street – 11,907          State Street Boston – 538,228          Zeban Nominees Limited – 74,810</p>	
<p>5. Number of <i>shares</i>/amount of stock acquired</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<p>6. Percentage of issued <i>class</i> (any <i>treasury shares</i> held by the <i>listed company</i> should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<p>7. Number of <i>shares</i>/amount of stock disposed</p> <p style="text-align: center;">N/A</p>	<p>8. Percentage of issued <i>class</i> (any <i>treasury shares</i> held by the <i>listed company</i> should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)</p> <p style="text-align: center;">N/A</p>
<p>9. <i>Class of security</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">ORDINARY SHARES OF 50P EACH</p>		<p>10. Date of transaction</p> <p style="text-align: center;">NOT KNOWN</p>	<p>11. Date <i>listed company</i> informed</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST 2005</p>

<p><b>12.</b> Total holding following this notification</p> <p>26,439,408</p>	<p><b>13.</b> Total percentage holding of issued <i>class</i> following this notification (any <i>treasury shares</i> held by the <i>listed company</i> should not be taken into account when calculating percentage)</p> <p>3.68%</p>
<p><b>14.</b> Any additional information</p> <p>INCREASE IN EXISTING INTEREST PREVIOUSLY BELOW 3% NOTIFIABLE LEVEL</p>	<p><b>15.</b> Name of contact and telephone number for queries</p> <p>CHRISTOPHER WINTERS – 01527 533383</p>
<p><b>16.</b> Name and signature of duly authorised officer of the <i>listed company</i> responsible for making this Notification</p> <p>CHRISTOPHER WINTERS SENIOR SECRETARIAL ASSISTANT</p> <p>Date of notification : 2<sup>ND</sup> AUGUST 2005</p>	