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Dear Sirs, *New GKN PLC*

GKN plc – Changes in responsibilities of Non-Executive Directors

For your information I enclose a copy of today's announcement.

Yours faithfully,

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Regulatory Announcement

**GKN plc announces changes in responsibilities of
Non Executive Directors**

Following completion of nine years' service by Baroness Hogg as a Non Executive Director, she will cease to be the Senior Independent Director of the Company with effect from 31st December 2005. She will continue as Deputy Chairman of the Company until her retirement from the Board at the AGM on 12th May 2006.

With effect from 1st January 2006, Sir Ian Gibson is appointed Senior Independent Director.

Sir Peter Williams, also with effect from 1st January 2006, is appointed Chairman of the Remuneration Committee. As a consequence, on the same date, John Sheldrick will take over from Sir Peter Williams as Chairman of the Audit Committee.

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