SANPAOLO IMI SPA Form F-6EF August 27, 2003

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM F-6

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933 For Depositary Shares Evidenced by American Depositary Receipts

Sanpaolo IMI S.p.A. (Exact name of issuer of deposited securities as specified in its charter)

Not applicable (Translation of issuer's name into English)

Republic of Italy (Jurisdiction of incorporation or organization of issuer)

JPMorgan Chase Bank (Exact name of depositary as specified in its charter)

1 Chase Manhattan Plaza, New York, NY 10081
Telephone (212) 552-4944
(Address, including zip code, and telephone number, including area code, of depositary's principal executive offices)

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New York, New York 10167
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It is proposed that this filing become effective under Rule 466

[X] immediately upon filing [] on [date] at [time]

If a separate registration statement has been filed to register the deposited

shares, check the following box. []

CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE

Proposed Maximum Amount Maximum Aggregate Offering Offering Securities to be Registered Price Per Unit(1) Price(2)

American Depositary Shares evidenced by American Depositary Receipts, each American Depositary Shares representing two ordinary share of Sanpaolo IMI S.p.A. 100,000,000 \$0.05 \$5,000,000

(1) Each unit represents one American Depositary Share.

(2) Estimated solely for the purpose of calculating the registration fee. Pursuant to Rule 457(k), such estimate is computed on the basis of the maximum aggregate fees or charges to be imposed in connection with the issuance of American Depositary Receipts evidencing American Depositary Shares.

PART I

INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

The Prospectus consists of the proposed form of American Depositary Receipt ("ADR" or "American Depositary Receipt") included as Exhibit (a) to the Form of Amendment to Deposit Agreement included as Exhibit (a)(2) to this Registration Statement, which is incorporated herein by reference.

CROSS REFERENCE SHEET

Item 1. DESCRIPTION OF SECURITIES TO BE REGISTERED

Item Number and Caption

Location in Form of Americ Receipt Filed Herewith as

(1) Name and address of Depositary

Introductory paragraph

(2) Title of American Depositary Receipts and identity of deposited securities

Terms of Deposit:

- (i) Amount of deposited securities represented by one unit of American Depositary Shares
- (ii) Procedure for voting, if any, the deposited securities
- (iii) Collection and distribution of dividends
- (iv) Transmission of notices, reports and proxy soliciting material
- (v) Sale or exercise of rights
- (vi) Deposit or sale of securities resulting from dividends, splits or plans of reorganization
- (vii) Amendment, extension or termination of the Deposit Agreement
- (viii) Rights of holders of receipts to inspect the Paragraph (3) transfer books of the Depositary and the list of Holders of receipts
 - (ix) Restrictions upon the right to deposit or Paragraphs (1), (2), (4), withdraw the underlying securities
 - (x) Limitation upon the liability of the Depositary
- (3) Fees and Charges

Face of American Depositary Receipt, top ce

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Paragraph (12)

Paragraphs (4), (5), (7) a Paragraphs (3), (8) and (1)

Paragraphs (4), (5) and (1)Paragraphs (4), (5), (10)

Paragraphs (16) and (17)

Paragraph (14)

Paragraph (7)

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Item 2. AVAILABLE INFORMATION

Item Number and Caption

(b) Statement that Sanpaolo IMI S.p.A. is subject to the periodic reporting requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and, accordingly, files certain reports with the Securities and Exchange Commission

Location in Form of American Filed Herewith as Prospectus

Paragraph (8)

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PART II INFORMATION NOT REOUIRED IN PROSPECTUS

Item 3. EXHIBITS

- (a) (1) Deposit Agreement dated as of October , 1998 among Sanpaolo IMI S.p.A., JPMorgan Chase Bank, as depositary (the "Depositary"), and all holders from time to time of ADRs issued thereunder (the "Deposit Agreement"). Previously filed as exhibit (a) (1) to Registration Statement No. 333-9022 which is incorporated herein by reference.
- (a)(2) Amendment No. 1 to Deposit Agreement. Filed herewith as Exhibit (a)(2).
- (b) Any other agreement to which the Depositary is a party relating to the issuance of the American Depositary Shares registered hereunder or the custody of the deposited securities represented thereby. Not Applicable.
- (c) Every material contract relating to the deposited securities between the Depositary and the issuer of the deposited securities in effect at any time within the last three years. Not Applicable.
- (d) Opinion of Ziegler, Ziegler & Associates LLP, counsel to the Depositary, as to the legality of the securities being registered. Filed herewith as Exhibit (d).
 - (e) Certification under Rule 466. Filed herewith as Exhibit (e).
 - (f) Power of Attorney. Included as part of the signature pages hereto.

Item 4. UNDERTAKINGS

- (a) The Depositary hereby undertakes to make available at the principal office of the Depositary in the United States, for inspection by holders of the American Depositary Receipts, any reports and communications received from the issuer of the deposited securities which are both (1) received by the Depositary as the holder of the deposited securities, and (2) made generally available to the holders of the underlying securities by the issuer.
- (b) If the amounts of fees charged are not disclosed in the prospectus, the Depositary undertakes to prepare a separate document stating the amount of any fee charged and describing the service for which it is charged and to deliver promptly a copy of such fee schedule without charge to anyone upon request. The Depositary undertakes to notify each registered holder of an American Depositary Receipt thirty days before any change in the fee schedule.

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, JPMorgan Chase Bank, on behalf of the legal entity created by the Deposit Agreement, certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that all the requirements for filing on Form F-6 are met and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in The City of New York, State of New York, on August 21, 2003.

Legal entity created by the form of Deposit Agreement for the issuance of ADRs evidencing American Depositary Shares

By: JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, as Depositary

By: /s/ Joseph M. Leinhauser

Name: Joseph M. Leinhauser Title: Vice President

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, Sanpaolo IMI S.p.A. certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that all the requirements for filing on Form F-6 are met and has duly caused this Registration Statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, on August 21, 2003.

Sanpaolo IMI S.p.A.

By: /s/ Luigi Maranzana

Name: Luigi Maranzana Title: Managing Director

POWER OF ATTORNEY

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that each person whose signature appears below hereby constitutes and appoints Luigi Maranzana and Carlo Persico, jointly and severally, his true and lawful attorneys-in-fact and agents, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, for him and in his name, place and stead, in any and all capacities, to sign any and all amendments (including pre-effective and post-effective amendments) to this Registration Statement, and to file the same, with all exhibits thereto, and other documents in connection therewith, with the Securities and Exchange Commission, granting unto said

attorneys-in-fact and agents full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing requisite and necessary to be done in and about the premises, as fully to all intents and purposes as he might or could do in person, hereby ratifying and confirming all that said attorneys-in-fact and agents, or their or his substitute or substitutes, may lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue thereof.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, this Registration Statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities indicated as of August 21, 2003.

Signatures		Title
/s/ Rainer Stefano Masera	_	Chairman
Rainer Stefano Masera		
/s/ Orazio Rossi	_	Deputy Chairman
Orazio Rossi		
/s/ Enrico Salza	_	Deputy Chairman
Enrico Salza		
/s/ Luigi Maranzana	_	Managing Director
Luigi Maranzana		
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Signatures		Title
s/ Alfonso Iozzo		Managing Directo
Alfonso Iozzo		

/s/ Pio Bussolotto

Managing Director

Pio Bussolotto

Isabelle Bouillot
Alberto Carmi
/s/ Guiseppe Fontana
Giuseppe Fontana
/s/ Richard Gardner
Richard Gardner
/s/ Mario Manuli
Mario Manuli
/s/ Antonio Maria Marocco
Antonio Maria Marocco
/s/ Virgilio Marrone
Virgilio Marrone
Abel Matutes Juan
/s/ Iti Mihalich
Iti Mihalich

Signatures	Title
/s/ Emilio Ottolenghi	Director
Emilio Ottolenghi	
/s/ Gian Guido Sacchi Morsiani	Director
Gian Guido Sacchi Morsiani	
	Director
Remi Francois Vermeiren	
/s/ Carlo Giuseppe Angelini	Chief Accounting Officer
Carlo Giuseppe Angelini	
/s/ Carlos Persico	Authorized Representative in the Unite
Carlos Persico	

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(e)	Rule 466 Certification	

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