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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of July, 2003.

CNH GLOBAL N.V.

(Translation of Registrant s Name Into English)

World Trade Center Tower B, 10th Floor Amsterdam Airport The Netherlands

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Yes o No x

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CNH Second Quarter Earnings to be in Line with Expectations

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Lake Forest IL (July 15, 2003) CNH Global N.V. (NYSE:CNH) today announced that net income for the second quarter of 2003 is expected to be no less than \$35 million, or about \$.27 per share. Excluding restructuring charges of approximately \$20 million net of tax, the company s bottom line result would be about \$55 million, compared to approximately \$45 million, before restructuring charges, net of tax, of about \$6 million in the second quarter of 2002. In April of this year, the company had stated that it expected to report a net result for the second quarter slightly improved from the same period last year, excluding restructuring charges.

For the full year, CNH continues to believe that the company will record a bottom line improvement of about \$100 million, bringing CNH into the black, before restructuring charges, for 2003. Depending on the timing of the closure of the company s East Moline, Illinois facility, 2003 restructuring charges may be as much as \$325 million on a pre tax basis, with a maximum 2003 cash impact of approximately \$75 million.

CNH management will issue full second quarter results and hold a conference call on July 24, 2003, as previously announced.

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CNH is the number one manufacturer of agricultural tractors and combines in the world, the leader in light construction equipment, and has one of the industry s largest equipment finance operations. Revenues in 2002 totaled \$10 billion. Based in the United States, CNH s network of dealers and distributors operates in over 160 countries. CNH agricultural products are sold under the Case IH, New Holland and Steyr brands. CNH construction equipment is sold under the Case, FiatAllis, Fiat Kobelco, Kobelco, New Holland, and O&K brands.

Forward Looking Statements. This document contains forward-looking statements as contemplated by the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 that are based on management is current expectations, estimates and projections. Words such as expects, anticipates, should, plans, believes, estimates, variations of such words and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are subject to risks and uncertainties, which could cause actual results to differ. Such risks and uncertainties include: general economic and capital market conditions, the cyclical nature of its business, foreign currency movements, hedging practices, CNH is and its customers access to credit, political uncertainty and civil unrest in various areas of the world, pricing, product initiatives and other actions taken by competitors, disruptions in production capacity, excess inventory levels, the effect of changes in laws and regulations (including government subsidies and international trade regulations), technological difficulties, changes in environmental laws, employee and labor relations, weather conditions, energy prices, real estate values, animal diseases, crop pests, harvest yields, government farm programs and consumer confidence, housing starts and construction activity, concerns pertaining to genetically modified organisms, pension and health care costs, fuel and fertilizer costs.

For a list of major factors and other information that could significantly impact expected results, please refer to CNH s Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2002, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CNH Global N.V.

By: /S/ Darlene M. Roback

Darlene M. Roback Assistant Secretary

July 16, 2003