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UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

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

For the month of March , 2007

SPIRENT COMMUNICATIONS plc

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Spirent House, Crawley Business Quarter, Fleming Way, Crawley, West Sussex  
RH10 9QL, UK.

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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

Form 20-F      X              Form 40-F.....

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes .....              No              X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82- \_\_\_\_\_

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CANCELLATION OF SHARES HELD IN TREASURY

London, UK - 06 March 2007: Spirent Communications plc ("the Company") (LSE: SPT; NYSE: SPM), a leading communications technology company would like to notify the market in accordance with Listing Rule 12.6.4R, of the following information:

The Company has today cancelled 20,251,487 ordinary shares each with a nominal value of 3 1/3 pence currently held in Treasury. Following the cancellation of shares held in Treasury, the Company's issued share capital consists of 956,623,522 ordinary shares of 3 1/3 pence. The Company now

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holds 70,000,000 ordinary shares in Treasury, and the Company is not permitted to exercise voting rights in respect of those ordinary shares. Therefore, the total number of voting rights in the Company is 886,623,522.

The above figure (886,623,522) may be used by shareholders as the denominator for the calculations by which they will determine if they are required to notify their interest in, or a change to their interest in, the Company under the Financial Services Authority Disclosure and Transparency Rules.

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### Enquiries

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### About Spirent Communications plc

Spirent Communications plc is a leading communications technology company focused on delivering innovative systems and services to meet the needs of customers worldwide. We are a global provider of performance analysis and service assurance solutions that enable the development and deployment of next-generation networking technologies such as broadband services, Internet telephony, 3G wireless and web applications and security testing. The Systems group develops power control systems for specialist electrical vehicles in the mobility and industrial markets. Further information about Spirent Communications plc can be found at [www.spirent.com](http://www.spirent.com).

Spirent Communications plc Ordinary shares are traded on the London Stock Exchange (ticker: SPT) and on the New York Stock Exchange (ticker: SPM; CUSIP number: 84856M209) in the form of American Depositary Shares ("ADS"), represented by American Depositary Receipts, with one ADS representing four Ordinary shares.

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statements contained in this press release, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise.

### Signatures

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.

\_\_\_\_\_MICHAEL ANSCOMBE\_\_\_\_\_

(Registrant)

Date: 06 March, 2007

By \_\_\_\_/s/ Michael Anscombe\_\_\_\_\_

(Signature)\*