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SCHEDULE 13D (Rule 13d-101)

(Amendment No. 16)

TELECOM ITALIA S.P.A. (Name of Issuer)

ORDINARY SHARES OF EURO 0.55 PAR VALUE EACH (Title of class of securities)

87927W10 (CUSIP number)

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MARCH 12, 2003 (Date of event which requires filing of this statement)

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This Amendment No. 16 amends the Statement on Schedule 13D dated August 9, 2001, as amended (as previously amended, the "Statement on Schedule 13D"), filed by Pirelli S.p.A., a company incorporated under the laws

of the Republic of Italy ("Pirelli"), and, commencing with Amendment No. 1 thereto, Olimpia S.p.A., a company incorporated under the laws of the Republic of Italy (the "Purchaser" or "Olimpia"), with respect to the ordinary shares, euro 0.55 par value per share, of Telecom Italia S.p.A., a company incorporated under the laws of the Republic of Italy. Capitalized terms used in this Amendment without definition have the meanings ascribed to them in the Statement on Schedule 13D.

Pirelli, Olimpia, Edizione Holding, Edizione Finance, UCI, BCI and, as discussed in Items 4 and 6 of Amendment No. 14 to the Statement on Schedule 13D, Hopa are members of a group with respect to the Telecom Italia Shares. This Amendment constitutes a separate filing on Schedule 13D by Pirelli and Olimpia in accordance with Rule 13d-1(k)(2) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934. Pirelli and Olimpia are responsible solely for the information contained in their separate filing, except that information contained in the Statement on Schedule 13D concerning any director or officer of Olimpia nominated by Edizione Holding, UCI, BCI or Hopa has been provided by the nominating person.

ITEM 2. IDENTITY AND BACKGROUND

On March 12, 2003, each of Pirelli and Pirelli & C announced that their respective Boards of Directors had approved of a plan to merge each of Pirelli and Pirelli-Lux into Pirelli & C (the "Pirelli Merger"). A copy of a joint press release issued by Pirelli and Pirelli & C concerning the Pirelli Merger is filed as Exhibit 42.

ITEM 4. PURPOSE OF TRANSACTION

On March 12, 2003, each of Olivetti and Telecom Italia announced that their respective Boards of Directors had approved of a plan to merge Telecom Italia into Olivetti (the "Olivetti Merger"). A copy of a joint press release issued by Olivetti and Telecom Italia concerning the Olivetti Merger is filed as Exhibit 43.

ITEM 7. MATERIAL TO BE FILED AS EXHIBITS

- 42. Joint Press Release, dated March 12, 2003, issued by Pirelli and Pirelli & C.
- 43. Joint Press Release, dated March 12, 2003, issued by Olivetti and Telecom Italia.

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SIGNATURES

After reasonable inquiry and to the best knowledge and belief of the undersigned, the undersigned certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

Date: March 14, 2003

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OLIMPIA S.p.A.

By: /s/ Luciano Gobbi

Name: Luciano Gobbi

Title: Director and Attorney-in-fact

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