

ALLIANCE ONE INTERNATIONAL, INC.

Form 8-K

December 02, 2005

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 2, 2005

Alliance One International, Inc.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Virginia

001-13684

54-1746567

(State or other
jurisdiction of
Incorporation)

(Commission File Number)

(I.R.S. Employer
Identification No.)

8001 Aerial Center Parkway
Morrisville, NC 27560-8417
(Address of principal executive offices)

(919) 379-4300

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

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ITEM 2.05

COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH EXIT OR DISPOSAL ACTIVITIES.

On November 28, 2005, the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors of Alliance One International, Inc. (the Company) determined to close the Company's two production facilities in Spain after the completion of the 2006 crop processing season. This action will affect approximately 200 persons and the closures are expected to be concluded after seasonal tobacco packing is completed at the Malpartida facility in March 2006 and at the Benevente facility in June 2006.

The Company believes that the continued decline in the Spanish leaf tobacco market, combined with the decoupling of farm support prices from tobacco production under the European Union Common Agricultural Policy enacted in the prior year, have significantly impacted the long term viability of its Spanish operations. The closure of these two operations reflects our continuing analysis and progress towards integrating and rationalizing our global processing footprint.

The Company estimates that total one-time costs of approximately \$12 to \$14 million, substantially all of which are cash, will be recognized to complete these closings; including severance, asset impairment and other cash costs and potential inventory valuation charges. Approximately two-thirds of these costs, which relate to the former Standard operations, will be reflected as an adjustment to the purchase price of the merger; while the remaining costs will be

charged as restructuring, asset impairment and other costs. These charges are in addition to the previously announced one-time costs of \$55 million the Company expects to incur in the merger and integration process.

ITEM 7.01

REGULATION FD DISCLOSURE

On December 2, 2005, the Company issued a press release announcing the closure of its operations in Spain. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1. The information contained in the press release report shall not be deemed to be filed for purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, (the Exchange Act) or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, and shall not be deemed incorporated by reference in any filing under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act, regardless of any general incorporation by reference language contained therein, except as shall be expressly set forth by specific release in such a filing.

ITEM 9.01

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

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Exhibits

Exhibit No.

Description

99.1

Press Release dated December 2, 2005.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: December 2, 2005

Alliance One International, Inc.
Registrant

By: /s/ James A. Cooley

Executive Vice President - Chief Financial Officer

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