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BOC GROUP PLC  
Form 6-K  
July 31, 2006

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a -16 or 15d -16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Report on Form 6-K the period from 17 July to 28 July 2006

The BOC Group plc  
Chertsey Road, Windlesham,  
Surrey GU20 6HJ  
England

(Name and address of registrant's principal executive office)

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

Form 20-F        Form 40-F  
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Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1):

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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:

Enclosures:

1. A notification dated 17 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 14 July 2006 the Company had 514,488,080 Ordinary shares in issue.

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2. A notification dated 18 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 17 July 2006 the Company had 514,496,080 Ordinary shares in issue.
3. A notification dated 19 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 18 July 2006 the Company had 514,501,580 Ordinary shares in issue.
4. A notification dated 19 July 2006 advising that Deutsche Bank AG have a 5.08% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
5. A notification dated 20 July 2006 advising that Credit Suisse have a 8.85% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
6. A notification dated 21 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 20 July 2006 the Company had 514,545,137 Ordinary shares in issue.
7. A notification dated 21 July 2006 advising that Credit Suisse have a 9.19% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
8. A notification dated 24 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 21 July 2006 the Company had 514,568,028 Ordinary shares in issue.
9. A notification dated 24 July 2006 advising that documents related to the recommended cash offer by Linde AG for The BOC Group plc have been submitted to the UK Listing Authority's Document Viewing Facility.
10. A notification dated 24 July 2006 advising that Barclays Bank PLC have a 4.92% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
11. A notification dated 26 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 25 July 2006 the Company had 514,632,770 Ordinary shares in issue.
12. A notification dated 26 July 2006 advising that Barclays Bank PLC have a 3.77% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.
13. A notification dated 28 July 2006 in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers confirming that at the close of business on 27 July 2006 the Company had 514,646,964 Ordinary shares in issue.
14. A notification dated 28 July 2006 advising that The BOC Group plc will be announcing its results for the nine months ended 30 June 2006 on Wednesday 2 August 2006.
15. A notification dated 28 July 2006 in accordance with Rules 8.1(a) and (b) (i) of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers advising of dealings by directors (together with their close relatives and related trusts) of The BOC Group plc and its subsidiaries and fellow subsidiaries and their associated companies.
16. A notification dated 28 July 2006 advising of the publication of the Supplementary Prospectus for The BOC Group plc (pound)850,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme incorporating by reference the Scheme Document in respect of the proposed recommended cash acquisition of The BOC Group plc by Linde AG.
17. A notification dated 28 July 2006 advising that ABN Amro Bank NV London Branch have a 5.05% interest in the issued Ordinary share capital of the Company.

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AT 08.59 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1707060859-ADAB

17 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

### RULE 2.10 ANNOUNCEMENT

The BOC Group plc ("BOC") announces, in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, that as at the close of business on 14 July 2006 it had in issue 514,488,080 (including those represented by ADSs) ordinary shares of 25 pence each ("BOC Shares").

The ISIN reference number for the BOC Shares is GB0001081206 and for the American Depositary Shares of BOC is CUSIP055617609.

Each American Depositary Share of BOC represents two BOC Shares.

### Contacts:

The BOC Group plc

Christopher Marsay, Director Investor Relations                      01276 477222

The Maitland Consultancy

Neil Bennett    0207 379 5151

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THE BOC GROUP plc ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED TO A REGULATORY INFORMATION SERVICE  
ON 18 JULY 2006

AT 08.56 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1807060855-3ED5

18 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

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ON 19 JULY 2006  
AT 08.53 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1907060852-1C84

19 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

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AT 17.02 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-1907061700-CAF0

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

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All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company  
THE BOC GROUP plc

2. Name of shareholder having a  
DEUTSCHE BANK AG

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18  
NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF A PARTY NAMED IN 2 ABOVE.

4. Name of the registered holder, the number of shares  
SEE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired  
6. Percentage of issued class  
7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed  
8.

9. Class of security  
ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH

10. Date of transaction  
19 JULY 2006

12. Total holding following this notification  
26,119,919

13. Total percentage holding of notification  
5.08%

14. Any additional information  
IN A LETTER DATED 19 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc ADVISED THAT DEUTSCHE BANK AG HOLDS A 5.08% (PREVIOUSLY 4.15%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.

15. Name of contact and telephone  
SARAH LARKINS HAS BEEN ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY 01276 807383

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

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SARAH LARKINS

Date of notification 19 JULY 2006

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THE BOC GROUP plc ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED TO A REGULATORY INFORMATION SERVICE  
ON 20 JULY 2006  
AT 16.56 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-2007061653-F9BE

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company	2. Name of shareholder having a
THE BOC GROUP plc	CREDIT SUISSE

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18	4. Name of the registered holder, the number of shares
NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF THE PARTY NAMED IN 2 ABOVE	CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (EU) CREDIT SUISSE INTERNATIONAL CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (US)

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired	6. Percentage of issued class	7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed	8.
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9. Class of security	10. Date of transaction	1.
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ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH

18 JULY 2006

12. Total holding following this notification

45,533,374

13. Total percentage holding of notification

8.85%

14. Any additional information

IN A LETTER DATED 20 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc ADVISED THAT CREDIT SUISSE HOLDS A 8.85% (PREVIOUSLY 9.13%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.

15. Name of contact and telephone

SARAH LARKINS HAS BEEN ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY 01276 807383

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

SARAH LARKINS

Date of notification 20 JULY 2006

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THE BOC GROUP plc ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED TO A REGULATORY INFORMATION SERVICE ON 21 JULY 2006 AT 09.02 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-2107060901-E98B

21 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

RULE 2.10 ANNOUNCEMENT

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The ISIN reference number for the BOC Shares is GB0001081206 and for the American Depositary Shares of BOC is CUSIP055617609.

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ON 21 JULY 2006
AT 14.57 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-2107061455-501E

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company 2. Name of shareholder having a

THE BOC GROUP plc

CREDIT SUISSE

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18
4. Name of the registered holder, the number of shares

NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF THE PARTY NAMED IN 2 ABOVE

CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (EU)
CREDIT SUISSE INTERNATIONAL
CREDIT SUISSE SECURITIES (US)

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired 6. Percentage of issued class 7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed 8.



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9. Class of security  
ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH

10. Date of transaction  
19 JULY 2006

12. Total holding following this notification  
47,287,190

13. Total percentage holding of notification  
9.19%

14. Any additional information  
IN A LETTER DATED 21 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc ADVISED THAT CREDIT SUISSE HOLDS A 9.19% (PREVIOUSLY 8.85%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.

15. Name of contact and telephone  
SARAH LARKINS HAS BEEN ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY 01276 807383

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification  
SARAH LARKINS

Date of notification 21 JULY 2006

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THE BOC GROUP plc ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED TO A REGULATORY INFORMATION SERVICE  
ON 24 JULY 2006  
AT 08.56 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-2407060855-56A5

24 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

RULE 2.10 ANNOUNCEMENT

The BOC Group plc ("BOC") announces, in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, that as at the close of business on 21 July 2006 it had in issue 514,568,028 (including those represented by ADSs) ordinary shares of 25 pence each ("BOC Shares").

The ISIN reference number for the BOC Shares is GB0001081206 and for the

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American Depositary Shares of BOC is CUSIP055617609.

Each American Depositary Share of BOC represents two BOC Shares.

Contacts:

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ON 24 JULY 2006  
AT 09.20 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-2407060918-1964

24 July 2006

THE BOC GROUP plc - SCHEME DOCUMENT, FORMS OF PROXY AND LOAN NOTE FORM OF  
ELECTION

Copies of the above documents relating to the recommended cash offer by Linde AG  
for The BOC Group plc have been submitted to the UK Listing Authority and will  
shortly be available for inspection at the UK Listing Authority's Document  
Viewing Facility which is situated at:

Financial Services Authority  
25 The North Colonnade  
Canary Wharf  
London  
E14 5HS

Tel.no. (0)20 7066 1000

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THE BOC GROUP plc ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED TO A REGULATORY INFORMATION SERVICE  
ON 24 JULY 2006  
AT 16.13 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-2407061610-A599

### SCHEDULE 10

#### NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

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1. Name of company  
THE BOC GROUP plc

2. Name of shareholder having a  
BARCLAYS BANK PLC - 5,895,08  
BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES  
BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE CO L  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS AU  
BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC - 10,54  
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TR  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS LT  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISOR  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS CA  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JA  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, N  
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TR  
BARCLAYS BANK TRUST COMPANY  
GERRARD LTD - 2,744,827  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JA  
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK LTD -

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18

4. Name of the registered holder, the number of shares  
  
SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE.

NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF PARTIES NAMED IN 2 ABOVE.

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired

6. Percentage of issued class

7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

9. Class of security  
ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH

10. Date of transaction  
20 JULY 2006

12. Total holding following this notification

13. Total percentage holding of notification

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25,300,025

4.92%

14. Any additional information

IN A LETTER DATED 21 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc HAS BEEN ADVISED THAT BARCLAYS PLC HOLDS A 4.92% (PREVIOUSLY 3.72%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.

15. Name of contact and telephone

CAROL HUNT  
DEPUTY COMPANY SECRETARY  
01276 807759

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

CAROL HUNT

Date of notification 24 JULY 2006

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Registered Holders Report

As at 20 July 2006 Barclays PLC, through the registered holders listed below, had a notifiable interest in 25,300,025 Ordinary shares of 25p each in The BOC Group plc.

Registered Holder	Account Information	Holding
Bank of Ireland	426360	2,619
Bank of New York		36,101
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		1,342,969
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		26,205
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		5,895,081
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		7,740
Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.		2,800
Barclays Global Investors Canada		36,236
Barclays Trust Co & Others		2,036
Barclays Trust Co DMC69		13,500

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Barclays Trust Co R69		50,593
BNP Paribas		21,721
Chase Nominees Ltd	16376	248,661
Chase Nominees Ltd	20947	1,955,456
Chase Nominees Ltd	28270	31,531
Chase Nominees Ltd	28270	166,116
CIBC Mellon Global Securities		16,366
Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125	00068640801	2,520
Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225	00120146302	1,700
Gerrard Nominees Limited	603856	2,000
Gerrard Nominees Limited	608459	250
Gerrard Nominees Limited	611717	925
Gerrard Nominees Limited	615411	500
Gerrard Nominees Limited	617906	800
Gerrard Nominees Limited	635860	500
Gerrard Nominees Limited	639311	1,000
Gerrard Nominees Limited	643975	1,500
Gerrard Nominees Limited	653035	1,400
Gerrard Nominees Limited	658574	575
Gerrard Nominees Limited	658729	630
Gerrard Nominees Limited	660968	1,000
Gerrard Nominees Limited	770101	2,850
Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM1)		290,934
Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)	126066DA	1,000
Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)	220805DN	20,500
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		14,500
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		122,148
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		1,271,080
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		159,761
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		21,670
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		87,344

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Investors Bank and Trust Co.		1,997
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		30,662
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		28,623
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		109,319
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		2,695
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		834,612
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		354,888
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		515,486
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		2,623,976
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		131,096
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		3,973
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		46,970
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		8,145
Investors Bank and Trust Co		57,729
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16331	107,185

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Registered Holder	Account Information	Holding
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16338	30,522
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16341	74,750
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16341	281,092
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16342	64,771
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16344	24,540
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16345	41,507
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16400	3,975,042
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	17011	8,628
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	18408	21,705
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,261
JPMorgan Chase Bank		60,844
JPMorgan Chase Bank		31,234

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JPMorgan Chase Bank	1,812
JPMorgan Chase Bank	59,306
JPMorgan Chase Bank	29,668
JPMorgan Chase Bank	5,650
JPMorgan Chase Bank	5,102
JPMorgan Chase Bank	139,044
JPMorgan Chase Bank	46,061
JPMorgan Chase Bank	16,674
JPMorgan Chase Bank	12,728
JPMorgan Chase Bank	257
JPMorgan Chase Bank	1,384
JPMorgan Chase Bank	4,604
JPMorgan Chase Bank	50,829
JPMorgan Chase Bank	69,062
JPMorgan Chase Bank	277,750
JPMorgan Chase Bank	74,380
JPMorgan Chase Bank	54,752
JPMorgan Chase Bank	25,882
JPMorgan Chase Bank	1,325
JPMorgan Chase Bank	3,953
Master Trust Bank	1,600
Mellon Trust - US Custodian	20,733
Mellon Trust - US Custodian	37,571
Mellon Trust of New England	22,899
Mitsubishi Trust International	1,116
Mitsui Asset	8,368
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	47,770
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	11,892
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	57,621
R C Greig Nominees Limited	1,673,099
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c AK1	359,702

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R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1	73,285
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c CM1	52,746
R C Greig Nominees Limited GP1	153,963
R C Greig Nominees Limited SA1	105,668
Reflex Nominees Limited	163
State Street Bank & Trust - W1	42,696
State Street Bank and Trust Co	44,920
State Street Bank and Trust Co	27,316
State Street Boston	263,697
State Street Trust of Canada	38,142
The Northern Trust Company - U	27,373
Trust & Custody Services Bank	310
Trust & Custody Services Bank	5,122
Zeban Nominees Limited	5,960
TOTAL	25,300,025

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THE BOC GROUP plc ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED TO A REGULATORY INFORMATION SERVICE  
ON 26 JULY 2006  
AT 09.04 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-2607060901-E389

26 July 2006

The BOC Group plc

RULE 2.10 ANNOUNCEMENT

The BOC Group plc ("BOC") announces, in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, that as at the close of business on 25 July 2006 it had in issue 514,632,770 (including those represented by ADSs) ordinary shares of 25 pence each ("BOC Shares").

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THE BOC GROUP plc ANNOUNCEMENT RELEASED TO A REGULATORY INFORMATION SERVICE  
ON 26 JULY 2006  
AT 16.29 HRS UNDER REF: PRNUK-2607061627-CD3D

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NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company

THE BOC GROUP plc

2. Name of shareholder having a

BARCLAYS BANK TRUST COMPANY  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS CA  
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK LTD -  
BARCLAYS CAPITAL INC - 10,54  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JA  
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TR  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JA  
GERRARD LTD - 2,728,008  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS AU  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, N  
BARCLAYS PRIVATE BANK AND TR  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS LT  
BARCLAYS CAPITAL SECURITIES  
BARCLAYS LIFE ASSURANCE CO L  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISOR

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NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF PARTIES  
NAMED IN 2 ABOVE.

4. Name of the registered holder, the number of shares

SEE ATTACHED SCHEDULE.

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5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired  
6. Percentage of issued class  
7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

9. Class of security  
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10. Date of transaction  
21 JULY 2006

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12. Total holding following this notification  
19,381,923  
13. Total percentage holding of notification  
3.77%

14. Any additional information  
IN A LETTER DATED 24 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc ADVISED THAT BARCLAYS PLC HOLDS A 3.77% (PREVIOUSLY 4.92%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.  
15. Name of contact and telephone  
SARAH LARKINS HAS BEEN ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY 01276 807383

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification  
SARAH LARKINS

Date of notification \_\_\_26 JULY 2006\_\_\_\_\_

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Registered Holders Report

As at 21 July 2006 Barclays PLC, through the registered holders listed below, had a notifiable interest in 19,381,923 Ordinary shares of 25p each in The BOC Group plc.

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Registered Holder	Account Information	Holding
Bank of Ireland	426360	2,619
Bank of New York		36,101
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		1,341,891
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		26,205
Barclays Capital Nominees Limited		7,740
Barclays Capital Securities Ltd.		2,800
Barclays Global Investors Canada		36,236
Barclays Trust Co & Others		2,036
Barclays Trust Co DMC69		13,500
Barclays Trust Co R69		50,593
BNP Paribas		21,721
Chase Nominees Ltd	16376	248,661
Chase Nominees Ltd	20947	1,955,456
Chase Nominees Ltd	28270	31,531
Chase Nominees Ltd	28270	166,116
CIBC Mellon Global Securities		16,366
Clydesdale Nominees HGB0125	00068640801	2,520
Clydesdale Nominees HGB0225	00120146302	1,700
Gerrard Nominees Limited	603856	2,000
Gerrard Nominees Limited	608459	250
Gerrard Nominees Limited	611717	925
Gerrard Nominees Limited	615411	500
Gerrard Nominees Limited	617906	800
Gerrard Nominees Limited	635860	500
Gerrard Nominees Limited	639311	1,000
Gerrard Nominees Limited	643975	1,500
Gerrard Nominees Limited	653035	1,400
Gerrard Nominees Limited	658574	575
Gerrard Nominees Limited	658729	630
Gerrard Nominees Limited	660968	1,000

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Gerrard Nominees Limited	770101	2,850
Greig Middleton Nominees Limited (GM1)		290,934
Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)	126066DA	1,000
Greig Middleton Nominees Ltd (GM3)	220805DN	20,500
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		122,148
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		21,670
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		158,137
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		14,500
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		1,271,080
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		2,695
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		834,612
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		2,612,077
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		109,319
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		131,096
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		28,623
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		30,662
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		57,729
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		354,888
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		87,344
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		8,145
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		1,997
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		515,486
Investors Bank and Trust Co.		3,973
Investors Bank and Trust Co		46,970
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16331	107,185
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16338	30,522

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Registered Holder	Account Information	Holding
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16341	74,750

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JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16341	274,841
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16342	64,771
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16344	24,540
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16345	41,507
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	16400	3,975,042
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	17011	8,628
JP Morgan (BGI Custody)	18408	21,705
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,261
JPMorgan Chase Bank		60,844
JPMorgan Chase Bank		31,234
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,812
JPMorgan Chase Bank		29,668
JPMorgan Chase Bank		5,102
JPMorgan Chase Bank		8,401
JPMorgan Chase Bank		59,306
JPMorgan Chase Bank		46,061
JPMorgan Chase Bank		139,044
JPMorgan Chase Bank		16,674
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,384
JPMorgan Chase Bank		257
JPMorgan Chase Bank		54,752
JPMorgan Chase Bank		4,604
JPMorgan Chase Bank		50,829
JPMorgan Chase Bank		69,062
JPMorgan Chase Bank		277,750
JPMorgan Chase Bank		74,380
JPMorgan Chase Bank		25,882
JPMorgan Chase Bank		1,325
JPMorgan Chase Bank		3,953
JPMorgan Chase Bank		12,728
Master Trust Bank		1,600

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Mellon Trust - US Custodian	20,733
Mellon Trust - US Custodian	37,571
Mellon Trust of New England	22,899
Mitsubishi Trust International	1,116
Mitsui Asset	8,368
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	47,770
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	11,892
Northern Trust Bank - BGI SEPA	57,621
R C Greig Nominees Limited	1,661,699
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c AK1	358,577
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c BL1	73,285
R C Greig Nominees Limited a/c CM1	52,746
R C Greig Nominees Limited GP1	150,494
R C Greig Nominees Limited SA1	104,843
Reflex Nominees Limited	163
State Street Bank & Trust - W1	42,696
State Street Bank and Trust Co	44,920
State Street Bank and Trust Co	39,215
State Street Boston	263,697
State Street Trust of Canada	38,142
The Northern Trust Company - U	27,373
Trust & Custody Services Bank	310
Trust & Custody Services Bank	5,122
Zeban Nominees Limited	5,960
TOTAL	19,381,923

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RULE 2.10 ANNOUNCEMENT

The BOC Group plc ("BOC") announces, in accordance with Rule 2.10 of the City Code on Takeovers and Mergers, that as at the close of business on 27 July 2006 it had in issue 514,646,964 (including those represented by ADSs) ordinary shares of 25 pence each ("BOC Shares").

The ISIN reference number for the BOC Shares is GB0001081206 and for the American Depositary Shares of BOC is CUSIP055617609.

Each American Depositary Share of BOC represents two BOC Shares.

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The BOC Group plc

The BOC Group plc will be announcing its results for the nine months ended 30 June 2006 on Wednesday 2 August 2006.

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FORM 8.1

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DEALINGS BY OFFERORS, OFFEREE COMPANIES OR THEIR ASSOCIATES  
FOR THEMSELVES OR FOR DISCRETIONARY CLIENTS  
(Rules 8.1(a) and (b)(i) of the Takeover Code)

### 1. KEY INFORMATION

Name of person dealing (Note 1)	See attached Schedule
Company dealt in	The BOC Group plc
Class of relevant security to which the dealings being disclosed relate (Note 2)	Ordinary shares of 25 pence each
Date of dealing	See attached Schedule

### 2. INTERESTS, SHORT POSITIONS AND RIGHTS TO SUBSCRIBE

(a) Interests and short positions (following dealing) in the class of relevant security dealt in (Note 3)

	Long		
	Number	(%)	
(1) Relevant securities	See attached Schedule	See attached Schedule	S
(2) Derivatives (other than options)	N/A	N/A	
(3) Options and agreements to purchase/sell	N/A	N/A	
Total	See attached Schedule	See attached Schedule	S

(b) Interests and short positions in relevant securities of the company, other than the class dealt in (Note 3)



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Class of relevant security:

Long

	Number	(%)	Number
(1) Relevant securities	N/A	N/A	
(2) Derivatives (other than options)	N/A	N/A	
(3) Options and agreements to purchase/sell	N/A	N/A	
Total	N/A	N/A	

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(c) Rights to subscribe (Note 3)

Class of relevant security:	Details
Ordinary Shares of 25p each	See attached Schedule

3. DEALINGS (Note 4)

(a) Purchases and sales

Purchase/sale	Number of securities	Price per unit (Note 5)
See attached Schedule		

(b) Derivatives transactions (other than options)

Product name, e.g. CFD	Long/short (Note 6)	Number of securities (Note 7)	Price per unit
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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(c) Options transactions in respect of existing securities

(i) Writing, selling, purchasing or varying

Product name, e.g. call option	Writing, selling, purchasing, varying etc.	Number of securities to which the option relates (Note 7)	Exercise price	Type, e.g. American, European etc.	Expiry date	Op pa un
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

(ii) Exercising

Product name, e.g. call option	Number of securities	Exercise price per unit (Note 5)
N/A	N/A	N/A

(d) Other dealings (including new securities) (Note 4)

Nature of transaction (Note 8)	Details	Price per unit (if applicable) (Note 5)
N/A	N/A	N/A

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4. OTHER INFORMATION

Agreements, arrangements or understandings relating to options or derivatives

Full details of any agreement, arrangement or understanding between the person disclosing and any other person relating to the voting rights of any relevant securities under any option referred to on this form or relating to the voting rights or future acquisition or disposal of any relevant securities to which any derivative referred to on this form is referenced. If none, this should be stated.

None

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Is a Supplemental Form 8 attached? (Note 9)

- NO

Date of disclosure

28 July 2006

Contact name

Sarah Larkins

Telephone number

01276 807383

Name of offeree/offeror with which associated

The BOC Group plc

Specify category and nature of associate status (Note 10)

Category (3) - directors (together with close relatives and related trusts) of the Group plc and its subsidiaries and their associated companies

Notes

The Notes on Form 8.1 can be viewed on the Takeover Panel's website at [www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk](http://www.thetakeoverpanel.org.uk)

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SCHEDULE  
Form 8.1 Aggregated Dealings Disclosure

For category 3 associates the period 14 July to 28 July 2006

Part A - Purchases and Sales

Name	Date of dealing	Purchase/Sale	Number of shares	Price ((pound))	
Steven ELLIS	24/07/2006	Sale (ESOS)	6,732	1600p	1
Steven ELLIS	24/07/2006	Sale (ESOS)	5,000	1600p	1
Steven ELLIS	24/07/2006	Sale (ESOS)	5,000	1600p	1

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Steven ELLIS	26/07/2006	Sale (ESOS)	3,268	1603p	1
Steven ELLIS	26/07/2006	Sale (ESOS)	8,797	1603p	1
Peter HYLAND	21/07/2006	Purchase (SAYE)	1,275	698p	1

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Part B - Exercising Options

Name	Date of exercise	Product name (e.g. option/award)	Number of shares acquired	Exercise price ((pound)) per share
Steven ELLIS	24/07/2006	Option (ESOS)	6,732	1016p
Steven ELLIS	24/07/2006	Option (ESOS)	5,000	993p
Steven ELLIS	24/07/2006	Option (ESOS)	5,000	851p
Steven ELLIS	26/07/2006	Option (ESOS)	3,268	1016p
Steven ELLIS	26/07/2006	Option (ESOS)	8,797	873.25p
Peter HYLAND	21/07/2006	Option (SAYE)	1,275	698p

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Publication of Prospectus

The following prospectus has been approved by the UK Listing Authority and is available for viewing:

Supplementary Prospectus for The BOC Group plc (pound)850,000,000 Euro Medium Term Note Programme incorporating by reference the Scheme Document in respect of the proposed recommended cash acquisition of The BOC Group plc (the "Issuer") by Linde AG

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www.rns-pdf.londonstockexchange.com/rns/9250g\_-2006-7-28.pdf

For further information, please contact

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SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

All relevant boxes should be completed in block capital letters.

1. Name of company

2. Name of shareholder having a

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ABN AMRO BANK NV LONDON BRAN

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that

4. Name of the registered holder, the number of shares

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person's spouse or children under the age of 18

NOTIFICATION IN RESPECT OF THE PARTY  
NAMED IN 2 ABOVE

SEE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

5. Number of shares/amount of stock acquired      6. Percentage of issued class      7. Number of shares/amount of stock disposed

9. Class of security      10. Date of transaction

ORDINARY SHARES OF 25P EACH

27 JULY 2006

12. Total holding following this notification      13. Total percentage holding of notification

26,008,069

5.05%

14. Any additional information      15. Name of contact and telephone

IN A LETTER DATED 28 JULY 2006, THE BOC GROUP plc ADVISED THAT ABN AMRO BANK NV LONDON BRANCH HOLDS A 5.05% (PREVIOUSLY 3.03%) INTEREST IN THE ORDINARY SHARE CAPITAL OF THE COMPANY.

SARAH LARKINS HAS BEEN ASSISTANT COMPANY SECRETARY 01276 807383

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

SARAH LARKINS

Date of notification      28 JULY 2006

SIGNATURE

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

Date: July 31, 2006

By: /s/ Sarah Larkins

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Name: Sarah Larkins  
Title: Assistant Company Secretary

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