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#### Form 6-K

Securities and Exchange Commission Washington, D.C. 20549 REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For January 29, 2007

**Gallaher Group Plc** 

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

Members Hill **Brooklands Road** Weybridge Surrey KT13 0QU England (Address of principal executive offices)

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# Financial Services Authority

# TR1 Notification of Major Interests in Shares

shares Direct

•		or the underlare are attached		existing shares	Gallaher Group Plc		
	or the notificate box or box	ation (please xes)	tick the				
An a	equisition o	r disposal of	voting rights		þ		
may resul	•	isition of sha	financial instru ares already iss		0		
An e	An event changing the breakdown of voting rights			g rights	0		
Other	Other (please specify):						
3. Full name	of person(s	) subject to t	he notification	obligation	(1) (2) (3)	JTI (UK)Management Ltd; Japan Tobacco Inc (the 100% shareholder in JTI (UK) Management Ltd); and The Japanese Ministry of Finance (the 50.00% shareholder in Japan Tobacco Inc.).	
4. Full name	of sharehol	der(s) (if dif	ferent from 3).		JTI (I	UK) Management Ltd	
	. Date of the transaction (and date on which the threshold is crossed or reached if different				22 January 2007		
6. Date on w	Date on which issuer notified:			24 January 2007			
7. Threshold	7. Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached:				3%, 4% and 5%		
8. Notified d A. Voting Rig		I to Shares					
Class/type of shares if possible using the ISIN CODE	Situation p the Trigger transaction Number of Shares	ring	Resulting site  Number of shares	Number of vo	ting rig	hts % of voting rights	

Direct

Indirect

Direct

Indirect

<b>Ordinary Shares</b>	17,055,000	17,055,000	36,159,250	36,159,250	36,159,250	5.503%	5.503%
ISIN CODE:					Please see Box 9.		Please see Box 9.
GB0003833695	(Below	(Below	The number	This is the	The indirect	The	The percentage of
	3%)	3%)	of shares	number of	voting rights	percentage of	indirect voting
			stated above	voting rights	stated above are	direct voting	rights stated
			are directly	attached to	held through	rights stated	above are held
			held by JTI	shares held	controlled	above are	through
			(UK)	directly by	undertakings,	held by JTI	controlled
			Management	JTI (UK)	being:	(UK)	undertakings,
			Ltd only.	Management		Management	being:
				Ltd only.		Ltd only.	

Class/type of

shares if possible Situation previous to using the the Triggering

ISIN CODE transaction Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Number

Number of Voting Number of

of Shares Rights shares Number of voting rights % of voting rights

Direct Direct Indirect Direct Indirect (1) Japan (1) Japan Tobacco Inc., Tobacco Inc., through its through its 100%

> wholly-owned wholly-owned subsidiary, JTI subsidiary, JTI

100%

(UK) (UK)

Management Management Ltd.: and Ltd.: and

(2) the Japanese (2) the Ministry of Japanese Finance, Ministry of Finance, through its 50.00% holding through its in Japan 50.00% Tobacco Inc., holding in which in turn Japan Tobacco holds 100% of Inc., which in JTI (UK) turn holds 100% of JTI Management Ltd. (UK)

> Management Ltd.

B. Financial Instruments Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

Type of financial	Expiration	Exercise/ Conversion	Number of voting rights that may be acquired if the instrument is	
instrument	date	Period/ Date	exercised/converted.	% of voting rights
n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
Total (A+B)				

Number of voting rights

% of voting rights

36,159,250 only

5.503% only

9. Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable

1.

As at 22 January 2007, JTI (UK) Management Ltd holds 5.503% of the voting rights of Gallaher Group Plc (being 36,159,250 shares). As such, JTI (UK) Management Ltd has a **direct holding** of 5.503% of the voting rights in Gallaher Group Plc.

2. Japan Tobacco Inc. is a 100% shareholder of JTI (UK) Management Ltd and holds 100% of the voting rights in JTI (UK) Management Ltd. As such, Japan Tobacco Inc., through its 100% wholly-owned subsidiary JTI (UK) Management Ltd, has an **indirect holding** of 5.503% of the votings rights of Gallaher Group Plc (being the same 36,159,250 shares held by JTI (UK) Management Ltd).

3. The Japanese Ministry of Finance is a 50.00% shareholder of Japan Tobacco Inc., and holds just over 50% of the voting rights attached to shares in Japan Tobacco Inc. The Japanese Ministry of Finance, through its 50.00% holding in Japan Tobacco Inc. (which in turn through its 100% wholly-owned subsidiary JTI (UK) Management Ltd) has an **indirect holding** of 5.503% of the votings rights of Gallaher Group Plc (being the same 36,159,250 shares held by JTI (UK) Management Ltd).

### **Proxy Voting**

10.	Name of the proxy holder:	n/a
11.	Number of voting rights proxy holder will cease to hold:	n/a
12.	Date on which proxy holder will cease to hold voting rights:	n/a
13.	Additional information:	n/a
14.	Contact name:	Japan Tobacco Inc. and JTI (UK) Management Ltd Kosei Oda (Legal Counsel)
		Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer, legal advisers to Japan Tobacco Inc. and JTI (UK) Management Ltd Penny MacRae (Associate)
15.	Contact telephone number:	+81 (3) 5572 3352 Kosei Oda (Legal Counsel for Japan Tobacco Inc.)
		+44 (0) 20 7716 4251 Penny MacRae, Associate Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer

#### REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

# Securities and Exchange Commission 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.

### **Gallaher Group Plc**

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Robin Miller Name: Robin Miller

Date: January 29, 2007 Title: Deputy Company Secretary