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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

2.	Reason for the notification (please tick the appropriate box or boxes)	
	An acquisition or disposal of voting rights	þ
the	An acquisition or disposal of financial instruments which may result in acquisition of shares already issued to which voting rights are attached	О
	An event changing the breakdown of voting rights	o
	Other (please specify):	o
3.	Full name of person(s) subject to the notification obligation	(1) JTI (UK) Management Lt (2) Japan Tobacco Inc (the 10 shareholder in JTI (UK) Manage Ltd); and (3) The Japanese Ministry of Finance (the 50.00% shareholder Japan Tobacco Inc.).
4.	Full name of shareholder(s) (if different from 3).	JTI (UK) Management Ltd
5. read	Date of the transaction (and date on which the threshold is crossed or ched if different	23 January 2007
6.	Date on which issuer notified:	25 January 2007
7.	Threshold(s) that is/are crossed or reached:	6%
8. A. '	Notified details: Voting Rights Attached to Shares	

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the Triggering

using the

ISIN CODE	transaction	Resulting situation after the triggering transaction					
		Number					
	Number	of Voting	Number of				
	of Shares	Rights	shares	Number of votin	g rights	% of voting rights	
			Direct	Direct	Indirect	Direct	Indirect
Ordinary	36,159,250	36,159,250	43,659,238	43,659,238	43,659,238	6.645%	6.645%
Shares							
ISIN CODE:	(5.503% of	(5.503% of			Please see		Please see

GB0003833695	shares)	direct voting	The number of shares	This is the number of voting rights	Box 9.	The percentage of direct voting rights	Box 9.
		rights)	stated above	attached to shares	The indirect	stated above are	The
			are directly	held directly by JTI	voting rights	held by JTI	percentage of
			held by JTI	(UK) Management	stated above	(UK) Management	indirect
			(UK)	Ltd only.	are held	Ltd only.	voting rights
			Management		through		stated above
			Ltd only.		controlled		are held
					undertakings,		through
					being:		controlled
					_		undertakings,
							being:

Class/type of

shares if possible using the ISIN CODE

Situation previous to the Triggering 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 Tobacco

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

100% wholly-owned

subsidiary, JTI wholly-owned (UK) Management subsidiary, JTI Ltd.; and (UK) Management

Ltd.; and

(2) the Japanese

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

Ltd.

B. Financial Instruments Resulting situation after the triggering transaction

			Number of voting rights that	
Type of		Exercise/	may be acquired if the	
financial	Expiration	Conversion	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 43,659,238 only

% of voting rights 6.645% only

- Chain of controlled undertakings through which the voting rights and/or the financial instruments are effectively held, if applicable
 - As at 23 January 2007, JTI (UK) Management Ltd holds 6.645% of the voting rights of Gallaher Group Plc (being 43,659,238 shares). As such, JTI (UK) Management Ltd has a direct holding of 6.645% of the voting rights in Gallaher Group Plc.
 - 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 6.645% of the votings rights of Gallaher Group Plc (being the same 43,659,238 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 6.645% of the votings rights of Gallaher Group Plc (being the same 43,659,238 shares held by JTI (UK) Management Ltd).

Proxy Voting

10.	Name of the proxy holder:	n/a
11. will c	Number of voting rights proxy holder ease to hold:	n/a
12. to hol	Date on which proxy holder will cease d 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)
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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