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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

October 21, 2010

Commission File Number 001-14978

SMITH & NEPHEW plc (Registrant's name)

15 Adam Street London, England WC2N 6LA (Address of registrant's principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange A signed on its behalf by the undersigned thereunto duly autl	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
	Smith & Nephew Ple (Registrant
Date: October 21, 2010	
	By: /s/ Susan Henderson
Susan Henderson	Company Secretary

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ANNOUNCEMENT FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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STERLING AMOUNT OF DIVIDEND

As announced on 5 August 2010, an interim dividend of 6.00 US cents per share will be paid on 2 November 2010 to shareholders on the Register at the close of business on 15 October 2010. Those shareholders whose address on the Register is in the UK, and those who have validly elected to receive sterling dividends, will receive a dividend of 3.81 pence per share.

Susan M Henderson Company Secretary