

THOMSON MULTIMEDIA
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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**

For the month of November 2003

Commission File Number: 0-3003

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Yes No

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Press release

Thomson: Updated distribution of share capital

Paris, November 4, 2003: Thomson (Euronext Paris: 18453; NYSE: TMS) notes the sale by the French State of its holding in the Group today. This transaction completes the reorganization of Thomson's capital structure started in 1998, in parallel with the positioning of the Group's businesses to become the worldwide leader in providing end-to-end solutions (technology, equipment, services) to the entertainment industries. Following the sale, Thomson estimates its share capital to be broken down as follows:

Free float: 82.4%

Employees⁽¹⁾: 4.1%

Treasury shares: 2.3%

Carlton⁽²⁾: 5.5%

Microsoft: 3.4%

Shares reserved by TSA for the employee offering⁽³⁾: 2,3%

Thomson confirms having purchased 3 million shares today in the private placement in line with the announcement made earlier today.

(1) Before the employee offering set out in (3) below

(2) In November 2001, Carlton issued bonds to a number of institutional investors exchangeable for 15.5 million of Thomson's shares.

(3) Shares owned by TSA (wholly-owned by the French State) reserved for the next employee offering in accordance with the 1986 French Privatization Law, and reserved for bonus shares to be allocated to employees under the terms of the employee offerings of October 2000 and March 2002.

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About Thomson

Thomson (Euronext Paris: 18453; NYSE: TMS) provides end-to-end solutions (technologies, equipment and services) to the entertainment industries. To advance and enable the digital media transition, Thomson has four principal divisions: Content and Networks, Consumer Products, Components, and Licensing. The company distributes its products under the Technicolor, Grass Valley, THOMSON and RCA brand names. For more information: www.thomson.net

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SIGNATURE

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.

Date : November 6th, 2003

THOMSON S.A.

By:

/s/ MARIE-ANGE DEBON

Name:

Marie-Ange Debon

Title:

General Secretary