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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington D.C. 20549

**FORM 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of May 2004

Commission File No.: 1-31349

**THE THOMSON CORPORATION**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

**Metro Center, One Station Place  
Stamford, Connecticut 06902, United States**

(Address of principal executive offices)

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**EXHIBIT INDEX**

<b>Exhibit Number</b>	<b>Description</b>
99.1	Press release dated May 28, 2004
99.2	Prospectus supplement dated May 27, 2004, as filed with the Canadian securities regulatory authorities

**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.

**THE THOMSON CORPORATION**

Date: May 28, 2004

By: /s/ DEIRDRE STANLEY

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Name: Deirdre Stanley

Title: Senior Vice President and General Counsel

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