

AUSTRALIA & NEW ZEALAND BANKING GROUP LTD
Form 6-K
November 06, 2006

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 October 2006

Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited ACN 005 357 522

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Level 6, 100 Queen Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 Australia
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F

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Yes

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Signatures

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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.

Australia and New Zealand
Banking Group Limited

(Registrant)

By: /s/ John Priestley
Company Secretary
(Signature)*

Date 03 November 2006

* Print the name and title of the signing officer under his signature.

Media Release

Corporate Communications
100 Queen Street
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For Release: 10 October 2006

ANZ's call centres in Australia and here to stay

ANZ today confirmed it has no call centres for its Australian customers in India and has a policy dating back to 2005 that all call centres for Australian customers will remain in Australia.

The statement follows claims on page one of today's Daily Telegraph and other News Limited newspapers that ANZ has customer call centres in Bangalore, India. The article was published despite written advice to the Daily Telegraph on Monday, 2 October that ANZ did not have call centres in India. ANZ is pursuing the matter through legal channels.

As recently as last week, ANZ's customer call centre was recognised as the best call centre in Australia for the third year in a row by the International Customer Service Professionals.

ANZ Chief Executive Officer Mr John McFarlane said: "ANZ understands customers want to be able to talk to staff in Australia about their banking and financial services needs. As a result, we have a clear policy that all call centres for Australian customers will remain in Australia."

"We are incredibly disappointed that having put this policy in place to reflect the community's interest in maintaining call centres in Australia that The Daily Telegraph should choose to misrepresent us. For example, the picture shown on page one is not a customer call centre, it is ANZ's technology centre," Mr McFarlane said.

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ANZ has maintained a technology centre in Bangalore, India since 1989 to take advantage of the availability of highly qualified technology graduates in India. The facility is part of ANZ and is not outsourced to a third party. ANZ currently employs about 1,400 people in Bangalore around 1,100 of whom are in software information technology roles with the remainder in back office roles.

ANZ is an international bank with over a third of our business outside Australia. It is perfectly reasonable that we should have operations based outside Australia in places like Bangalore provided jobs in Australia are growing, which they are. For example, ANZ has employed around 3,000 additional staff in Australia in recent years including 1,000 people in the last year.

We need to develop our capability in Bangalore to remain competitive and allow us to continue to grow our business in Australia. This includes opening more branches and employing more staff to serve customers, Mr McFarlane said.

Staff in ANZ Bangalore are ANZ employees and operate under the same policies and controls ANZ has in place in Australia, including high standards of privacy and confidentiality. Central records for Australian customers are located in Australia and will remain located in Australia.

Mr McFarlane added: Customer records are safe at ANZ. They are securely held in our data centres in Australia and will remain located in Australia.

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Company Announcements

Australian Stock Exchange

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Appendix 3Y Share Transactions by Mr John McFarlane

The attached Appendix 3Y includes transactions in ANZ shares undertaken on 30 October 2006 by Mr. John McFarlane, Chief Executive Officer of ANZ.

The transactions were:

The purchase of 101,571 shares at an average price of \$28.9237 under the Directors' Share Plan in lieu of salary and annual incentive.

The sale of 101,571 shares from Mr. McFarlane's personal holdings at an average price of \$28.9003.

The purchase of 2,515 shares for Mr. McFarlane's personal superannuation fund at an average price of \$28.95.

As a result of these transactions, Mr. McFarlane's total direct and indirect holdings of ANZ shares have increased by 2,515 to 1,975,937 shares.

John Priestley

Company Secretary

Appendix 3Y

Change of Director's Interest Notice

| | |
|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| Name of entity | Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited |
| ABN | 11 005 357 522 |

Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited gives ASX the following information under listing rule 3.19A.2 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Corporations Act.

| | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|
| Name of Director | Mr John McFarlane |
| Date of last Notice | 4 September 2006 |

Part 1 Change of director's relevant interest in securities

Ordinary Shares:

| | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|------------------|
| Direct interest | | 487,128 |
| Indirect interest | | 1,486,294 |
| Nature of indirect interest | Number & Class of Securities | |
| Bank of New York (as nominee for Self Invested Personal Pension Scheme) | ordinary shares | 279,445 |
| Ballimore Pty Ltd (a/c Superannuation Fund) | ordinary shares | 76,423 |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| ANZ Employee Share Acquisition Plan (ESAP): | | |
| Deferred Shares - vested | ordinary shares | 87,190 |
| Performance Shares not yet vested | ordinary shares | 175,000 |
| ANZ Directors Share Plan (DSP) | ordinary shares | 868,236 |
| | Total | 1,486,294 |
| No of securities held prior to change | | 1,973,422 |
| Date of change | 30 October 2006 | |
| Class | Ordinary shares | |
| Number acquired (Indirect) | | |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| ANZ Directors Share Plan | | 101,571 |
| Ballimore Pty Ltd (a/c Superannuation Fund) | | 2,515 |
| Number disposed (Direct) | | (101,571) |

| | |
|----------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nature of Change | On market trades. |
| Value/Consideration | 101,571 ordinary shares acquired at an average price of \$28.9237 per share. |
| | 101,571 ordinary shares sold at an average price of \$28.9003 per share. |
| | 2,515 ordinary shares acquired at an average price of \$28.95 per share. |

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Number of securities held after change | |
| Direct Interest (Decreased by 101,571) | (101,571) |
| Indirect Interest (Increased by 104,086) | 104,086 |
| Total of Interest | 1,975,937 |

Options over unissued ordinary shares:

| | |
|-----------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Direct Interest | 1,000,000 |
| Indirect Interest | Nil |
| No of securities held prior to change | 1,000,000 |
| Date of change | N/A |
| Class | N/A |
| Number acquired Direct Interest | N/A |
| Number disposed of | N/A |
| Nature of Change | N/A |
| Value/Consideration | N/A |
| Number of securities held after change | |
| Direct Interest (Unchanged) | N/A |
| Indirect Interest (Unchanged) | N/A |
| Total of Interest | 1,000,000 |

Part 2 Change of director's interests in contracts - Nil

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 Company Secretary
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We Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited give ASX the following information under listing rule 3.19A.2 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Corporations Act.

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Name of Director | Mr Charles Barrington Goode |
| Date of last Notice | 03 July 2006 |

Part 1 Change of director s relevant interest in securities

| | | |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Direct | | 215,638 |
| Indirect interest: | | 408,553 |
| Nature of indirect interest | | |
| Ravenscourt Pty Ltd | Ordinary Shares | 199,788 |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| Directors Share Plan (DSP) | Ordinary Shares | 150,300 |
| Directors Retirement Scheme | Ordinary Shares | 58,465 |
| | Total | 408,553 |
| Date of change: | 30 October 2006 | |
| No of securities held prior to change: | | 624,191 |
| Class: | Ordinary Shares | |
| Number acquired (Indirect): | | |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| Directors Share Plan (DSP) | Ordinary Shares | 20,975 |
| | Total | 20,975 |
| Number disposed of: | N/A | |
| Nature of change | On market trade | |
| Value/Consideration | \$606,674.60 | |
| Number of securities held after change: | | |
| Direct - Unchanged | | 215,638 |
| Indirect - Increased (by 20,975) | | 429,528 |
| Total of interest | | 645,166 |

Part 2 Change of director s interests in contracts - Nil

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| | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Name of Director | Dr Gregory John Clark |
| Date of last Notice | 3 May 2006 |

Part 1 Change of director s relevant interest in securities

| | | |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Direct | | 2,000 |
| Indirect interest: | | 1,920 |
| Nature of indirect interest | | |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| Directors Share Plan (DSP) | Ordinary Shares | 1,920 |
| | Total | 1,920 |
| Date of change: | 30 October 2006 | |
| No of securities held prior to change: | | 3,920 |
| Class: | Ordinary Shares | |
| Number acquired (Indirect): | | |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| Directors Share Plan (DSP) | Ordinary Shares | 1,581 |
| | Total | 1,581 |
| Number disposed of: | N/a | |
| Nature of change | On market trade | |
| Value/Consideration | \$45,728.36 | |
| Number of securities held after change: | | |
| Direct Unchanged | | 2,000 |
| Indirect Increased (by 1,581) | | 3,501 |
| Total of interest | | 5,501 |

Part 2 Change of director s interests in contracts - Nil

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We Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited give ASX the following information under listing rule 3.19A.2 and as agent for the director for the purposes of section 205G of the Corporations Act.

| | |
|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Name of Director | Mr Jeremy Kitson Ellis |
| Date of last Notice | 3 May 2006 |

Part 1 Change of director s relevant interest in securities

| | | |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Direct | | 64,584 |
| Indirect interest: | | 47,898 |
| Nature of indirect interest | | |
| Annie Oceana Pty Ltd (Ellis Super Fund A/c) | Ordinary Shares | 17,410 |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| Directors Share Plan (DSP) | Ordinary Shares | 8,104 |
| Directors Retirement Scheme | Ordinary Shares | 22,384 |
| | Total | 47,898 |
| Date of change: | 30 October 2006 | |
| No of securities held prior to change: | | 112,482 |
| Class: | Ordinary Shares | |
| Number acquired (Indirect): | | |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| Directors Share Plan (DSP) | Ordinary Shares | 1,141 |
| | Total | 1,141 |
| Number disposed: | N/A | |
| Nature of change | On market trade | |
| Value/Consideration | \$33,001.94 | |
| Number of securities held after change: | | |
| Direct Unchanged | | 64,584 |
| Indirect Increased (by 1,141) | | 49,039 |
| Total of interest | | 113,623 |

Part 2 Change of director s interests in contracts - Nil

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| | |
|----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Name of Director | Mr John Powell Morschel |
| Date of last Notice | 3 May 2006 |

Part 1 Change of director s relevant interest in securities

| | | |
|------------------------------------------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Direct | | 4,000 |
| Indirect interest: | | 3,422 |
| Nature of Indirect Interest: | | |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| Directors Share Plan (DSP) | Ordinary Shares | 3,422 |
| | Total | 3,422 |
| Date of change: | 30 October 2006 | |
| No of securities held prior to change: | | 7,422 |
| Class: | Ordinary Shares | |
| Number acquired (Indirect): | | |
| ANZEST Pty Ltd | | |
| Directors Share Plan (DSP) | Ordinary Shares | 1,581 |
| | Total | 1,581 |
| Number disposed: | N/A | |
| Nature of change | On market trade | |
| Value/Consideration | \$45,728.36 | |
| Number of securities held after change: | | |
| Direct Unchanged | | 4,000 |
| Indirect Increased (by 1,581) | | 5,003 |
| Total of interest | | 9,003 |

Part 2 Change of director s interests in contracts - Nil

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