SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): August 30, 1997

The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. (Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Delaware (State or other Jurisdiction of incorporation) 1-6686 (Commission File Number)

13-1024020 (IRS Employer Identification Number)

1271 Avenue of the Americas, New York, New York (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

10020 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code (212) 399-8000

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

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Item 9. Sales of Equity Securities Pursuant to Regulation S.

On August 30, 1997 The Interpublic Group of Companies, Inc. ("Interpublic") sold 176,819 shares of its common stock, par value \$.10 (the "Shares"), to six individuals (the "Purchasers") in exchange for 5,245,000 Pounds Sterling in value of Ordinary Shares, 1 Pound Sterling par value, of Davies/Baron Limited, a United Kingdom company ("D/B").

As a result of this, Interpublic has acquired 100% of the capital stock of D/B.

No underwriter or placement agent was used in connection with the sale of the Shares.

The transaction was effected in an "offshore transaction" and in accordance with the "offering restrictions" and "no directed selling efforts" requirements of Rule 903(c)(2) of Regulation S under the Securities Act of 1933.

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 hereunto duly authorized.

THE INTERPUBLIC GROUP OF COMPANIES, INC.

Date: September 8, 1997

By: NICHOLAS J. CAMERA

Vice President,

General Counsel and

General Counsel and Secretary