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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON DC 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 July 2004

National Australia Bank Limited

ACN 004 044 937

(Registrant's Name)

Level 24

500 Bourke Street

MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3000

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Form 20-F

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Yes

No

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This Report on Form 6-K shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference into the Registration Statement on Form S-8 (No. 333-103443) of National Australia Bank Limited and to be part thereof from the date on which this Report is filed, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

Group Corporate Affairs

National Australia
Bank Limited
ABN 12004044937

ASX Announcement

500 Bourke Street
Melbourne
Victoria 3000
Australia

Melbourne, Monday 19 July 2004

National Selects New External Auditor

The Chairman of the National's Audit Committee, Mr John Thorn, today announced that Ernst & Young had been selected to become the new external auditor of the National for the 2004-2005 financial year.

The decision to change external auditor was announced on April 7 as part of the National's overall change program.

Shareholders will be asked to approve the new auditor at the National's next Annual General Meeting.

Ernst & Young will provide the National with access to considerable financial services audit experience, Mr Thorn said.

I would like to thank the National's current auditor KPMG for their contribution over many years, he said.

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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 authorised.

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LIMITED

Date: 19 July 2004

Title:

/s/ Susan E Crook
Company Secretary