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HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST Form 8-K/A July 20, 2005

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K/A

Amendment No. 1

CURRENT REPORT Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of The Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): June 16, 2005

HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

001-14765 (Commission File Number)

251811499 (IRS Employer Identification No.)

510 Walnut Street, 9th Floor Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19106

(Address and zip code of principal executive offices)

Registrant s telephone number, including area code: (215) 238-1046

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EXPLANATORY NOTE

This Amendment No. 1 to the Current Report on Form 8-K filed on June 22, 2005 by Hersha Hospitality Trust, a Maryland real estate investment trust (Hersha), is being filed to amend and restate the prior filing and to include certain historical financial statements and pro forma financial information pursuant to Item 9.01 of Form 8-K related to the acquisition of the Courtyard by Marriott in Brookline, Massachusetts.

Item 2.01. Completion of Acquisition or Disposition of Assets

On May 4, 2005, Hersha Hospitality Limited Partnership (HHLP), the operating partnership subsidiary of Hersha, agreed to acquire the Courtyard by Marriott in Brookline, Massachusetts, which acquisition included the hotel, improvements, certain personal property and a pre-paid ground lease for the underlying land with a remaining term of approximately 90 years (the Brookline Property). Hersha previously reported its entry into this purchase agreement in its Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on May 10, 2005.

On June 16, 2005, HHLP completed the acquisition of the Brookline Property from Webster Street Hotel, LLC. The purchase price for the Brookline Property was approximately \$54.5 million. A copy of the purchase agreement was filed as Exhibit 10.5 to the Quarterly Report on Form 10-Q, filed on May 10, 2005, and is incorporated herein by reference. In connection with this acquisition, a subsidiary of HHLP obtained (and HHLP guaranteed) a \$39 million mortgage loan secured by the Brookline Property from Wachovia Bank, N.A.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits

(a) Financial Statements of Business Acquired

See Exhibit 99.1

(b) Pro Forma Financial Information

See Exhibit 99.2

- (c) Exhibits
 - Exhibit 23.1 Consent of Dworken, Hillman, LaMorte & Sterczala, P.C.
 - Exhibit 99.1 Financial Statements of Business Acquired
 - Exhibit 99.2 Pro Forma Financial Statements

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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.

HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST

Date: July 19, 2005 By: /s/Ashish R. Parikh

Ashish R. Parikh Chief Financial Officer