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ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP PLC Form 8-A12B June 24, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-A

For Registration of Certain Classes of Securities Pursuant to Section 12(b) or 12(g) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

THE ROYAL BANK OF SCOTLAND GROUP PLC

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

Great Britain

(State of incorporation or organization)

None

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

42 St. Andrew Square Edinburgh EH2 2YE Scotland

(Address of principal executive office)

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box. x

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box. o

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: 333-100661 (if applicable).

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of Each Class
Name of Each Exchange on Which
to be so Registered
Each Class is to be Registered

Exchangeable Capital Securities

(Non-cumulative Dollar Preference Shares

American Depositary Shares

New York Stock Exchange

New York Stock Exchange*

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

None

^{*} Application is made for listing, not trading, but only in connection with the registration of American Depositary Shares pursuant to the requirements of the New York Stock Exchange.

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INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT

On October 18, 2002, the Registrant filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) a Registration Statement on Form F-3 (File No. 333-100661) (the Registration Statement) relating, among other securities, to certain debt securities (including capital securities), non-cumulative dollar preference shares, and American Depositary Shares of the Registrant. On December 19, 2002, the Registrant filed with the Commission Amendment No. 1 to the Registration Statement. On January 22, 2003, the Commission declared the Registration Statement, as amended by Amendment No. 1, effective under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

On June 18, 2003, the Registrant filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b)(2) under the Securities Act of 1933 the prospectus dated May 12, 2003 as supplemented by the prospectus supplement dated June 16, 2003 (the Prospectus and Prospectus Supplement, respectively). The Prospectus Supplement and the Prospectus are incorporated herein by reference to the extent set forth below.

Item 1: Description of Registrant s Securities to be Registered

Reference is made to the information set forth under the headings Description of Capital Securities , Description of Exchange Preference Shares and Certain US Federal and UK Tax Consequences on pages S-19 through S-35 of the Prospectus Supplement, and to Description of Debt Securities on pages 3 through 14, Description of Dollar Preference Shares on pages 53 through 61, and Description of American Depositary Receipts on pages 62 through 66, of the Prospectus, all of which information is incorporated by reference in this registration statement.

Item 2: Exhibits

- 1.1 Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Registrant, as amended (incorporated by reference to the Registrant s report on Form 6-K, as filed with the Commission on October 2, 2002).
- 1.2 Resolutions of a committee of the Board of Directors of the Registrant, providing for the issuance of \$850,000,000 5.75% Exchangeable Capital Securities, Series B (incorporated by reference to the Registrant s report on Form 6-K, as filed with the Commission on June 24, 2003).
- 1.3 Form of Exchangeable Capital Securities, Series B, of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to the Registrant s report on Form 6-K, as filed with the Commission on June 24, 2003).
- 1.4 Form of bearer share warrant for Category II Non-cumulative Dollar Preference Shares of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to the Registrant s report on Form 6-K, as filed with the Commission on June 24, 2003).
- Form of certificate representing Category II Non-cumulative Dollar Preference Shares of the Registrant (incorporated by reference to the Registrant s report on Form 6-K, as filed with the Commission on June 24, 2003).

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SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this amendment to the registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

The Royal Bank of Scotland Group plc

By: /s/ Hew Campbell

Name: Hew Campbell Title: Deputy Secretary

Date: June 24, 2003