

**29 July 2004****The Rank Group Plc****Appointment to the Board**

The Rank Group Plc (“Rank”) announces the appointment of Brendan O’Neill to the Board of Rank as a non-executive Director with effect from 1 October 2004. He will also join Rank’s Audit Committee.

Mr. O’Neill, aged 55, is currently a non-executive Director of Tyco International Ltd and was Chief Executive of ICI Plc until 2003; prior to joining ICI Plc in 1998 he was Chief Executive of Guinness Ltd, the Guinness group’s worldwide business brewing interests and a member of the Guinness Plc Board.

Alun Cathcart, Chairman of Rank, said “My colleagues and I are delighted to welcome Brendan O’Neill as a member of the Rank Board. His wide ranging business experience will provide a valuable contribution to Rank’s affairs and developments”.

Rank confirms that there is no information to be disclosed under the requirements of Listing Rule 16.4 (b) in relation to this appointment.

- ends -

Enquiries:

The Rank Group Plc  
Charles Cormick, Company Secretary

020 7535 8000

Press enquiries:  
The Maitland Consultancy  
Suzanne Bartch

020 7379 5151