

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LTD
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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 May 2004

National Australia Bank Limited

ACN 004 044 937

(Registrant's Name)

Level 24
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AUSTRALIA

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Yes

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This Report on Form 6-K shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in the prospectus included in the Registration Statement on Form F-3 (No. 333-6632) 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National Australia Bank Limited and to be part thereof from the date on which this Report, is filed, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.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

500 Bourke Street
Melbourne
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Australia

ASX Announcement

Melbourne, Monday 3 May 2004

Mr Malcolm Williamson to join National Australia Bank Board

The National's Chairman, Mr Graham Kraehe, today announced that Mr Malcolm Williamson, formerly VISA International President and CEO, will join the Principal Board of National Australia Bank.

Before moving to the United States to take up the role at VISA he was Group Chief Executive of Standard Chartered Bank for five years and prior to this was Managing Director of Girobank.

His early career included a number of senior roles at Barclays Bank.

Malcolm's experience in both the United Kingdom and the United States leading major financial services organisations makes him a valuable addition to the National's Board, National Chairman, Mr Graham Kraehe said.

Subject to UK regulatory approval, Mr Williamson will also join the National Australia Group Europe, Clydesdale Bank and Yorkshire Bank Boards.

When I was appointed Chairman in February, I committed to a program of Board renewal including the acceleration of appointments of non-executive Directors with banking experience to the Board, he said.

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Mr Williamson's appointment is an important step in that process. The next step will be the appointment of an Australian-based non-executive Director with banking experience which I expect to be able to announce soon.

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Background and Career History

Malcolm Williamson

Date of birth: 27 February 1939

VISA International

1998 February 2004 President and CEO

Standard Chartered Bank

1993 1998 Group Chief Executive

1991 1992 Managing Director

1990 1991 Director Banking and Credit

1989 1990 Director responsible for Eastern Hemisphere

The Post Office

1985 1989 Member of Post Office Board

Managing Director Girobank PLC

Barclays Bank

1983 1985 Regional General Manager, London

1982 1983 Treasurer United Kingdom

1979 1982 Assistant General Manager Planning

1978 1979 Local Director London Northern

1957 1978 Various branch positions including Branch Manager, computer programmer, systems analyst, loans administrator, consulting work and various head office posts