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Institutional Investment Manager Filing this Report:

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The institutional investment manager filing this report and the person by whom it is signed hereby represent that the person signing the report is authorized to submit it, that all information contained herein is true, correct and complete, and that it is understood that all required items, statements, schedules, lists and tables, are considered integral parts of this form.

Person Signing this Report on Behalf of Reporting Manager:

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Signature, Place, and Date of Signing:

/s/ Anthony Balniel London, England January 26, 2009

[Signature] [City, State] [Date]

Report Type (Check only one):

- 13F HOLDINGS REPORT. (Check here if all holdings of this reporting manager are reported in this report.)
- 13F NOTICE. (Check here if no holdings reported are in this report, and all holdings are reported by other reporting manager(s).)
- 13F COMBINATION REPORT. (Check here if a portion of the holdings for this reporting manager are reported in this report and a portion are reported by other reporting manager(s).)

List of Other Managers Reporting for this Manager:

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Report Summary:

Number of Other Included Managers: 0

Form 13F Information Table Entry Total: 45

Form 13F Information Table Value Total: \$298,292 (x 1000)

List of Other Included Managers:

NONE

J O HAMBRO INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT LIMITED

Name of Reporting Manager
Form 13F Information Table

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Name of Issuer	Type of Class	Cusip	Value (x\$1000)	Shrs or Prn Amt.	Shr/ Prn	Investment Discretion	Other Managers	Voting Authority	
								Sole	Shared None
ACTIVISION BLIZZARD Inc Com	COM	00507V109	1,826	211,400	SH	Shared-Defined	0	211,400	
ALTRIA GROUP Inc Com	COM	02209S103	231	15,365	SH	Shared-Defined	0	15,365	
AMERICAN EXPRESS CO	COM	025816109	16,688	300,875	SH	Shared-Defined	0	300,875	
AMERICAN PUBLIC EDUCATION	COM	02913V103	1,915	51,500	SH	Shared-Defined	0	51,500	
AON CORP Com	COM	037389103	16,688	365,330	SH	Shared-Defined	0	365,330	
AT&T Com	COM	00206R102	6,033	211,691	SH	Shared-Defined	0	211,691	
BRISTOL-MYERS SQUIBB Co Com	COM	110122108	1,256	54,000	SH	Shared-Defined	0	54,000	
BROOKDALE SN LIVING	COM	112463104	2,885	516,960	SH	Shared-Defined	0	516,960	
BRUNSWICK CAP LTD	COM	117043109	1,955	1,954,545	SH	Shared-Defined	0	1,954,545	
CADIZ INC	COM	127537207	4,944	395,202	SH	Shared-Defined	0	395,202	
CHEVRON CORP COM	COM	166764100	6,836	92,417	SH	Shared-Defined	0	92,417	
CHUBB CORP COM	COM	171232101	13,944	273,420	SH	Shared-Defined	0	273,420	
COLGATE-PALMOLIVE CO.	COM	194162103	24,075	351,250	SH	Shared-Defined	0	351,250	
COVANTA HOLDING CORP	COM	22282E102	283	12,900	SH	Shared-Defined	0	12,900	
Dr PEPPER SNAPPLE	COM	26138E109	2,399	147,648	SH	Shared-Defined	0	147,648	
EL PASO CORP	COM	28336I109	4,747	606,260	SH	Shared-Defined	0	606,260	
EXXON MOBIL CORP	COM	30231G102	8,762	107,952	SH	Shared-Defined	0	107,952	
GENENTECH INC CORP	COM	368710406	6,661	80,340	SH	Shared-Defined	0	80,340	
GENERAL ELECTRIC CO	COM	369604103	753	46,475	SH	Shared-Defined	0	46,475	
GOOGLE INC CLASS A	COM	38259P508	6,493	21,105	SH	Shared-Defined	0	21,105	
HERSHEY CO	COM	427866108	438	12,620	SH	Shared-Defined	0	12,620	
INVERNESS MED INNOV	COM	46126P106	3,660	193,525	SH	Shared-Defined	0	193,525	
INVESCO LTC COM	COM	G491BT108	3,410	236,175	SH	Shared-Defined	0	236,175	
JOHNSON & JOHNSON COM	COM	478160104	2,128	35,575	SH	Shared-Defined	0	35,575	
JPMORGAN CHASE COM	COM	46625H100	450	14,285	SH	Shared-Defined	0	14,285	
MARSH & MCLENNAN COS INC	COM	571748102	7,210	297,092	SH	Shared-Defined	0	297,092	
MERCK & CO. INC	COM	589331107	566	18,630	SH	Shared-Defined	0	18,630	
MICROSOFT CORP	COM	594918104	1,243	63,939	SH	Shared-Defined	0	63,939	
MORGAN STANLEY COM	COM	617446448	3,281	204,520	SH	Shared-Defined	0	204,520	
NUVASIVE INC COM	COM	670704105	7,416	214,040	SH	Shared-Defined	0	214,040	
ORACLE CORP	COM	68389X105	230	13,000	SH	Shared-Defined	0	13,000	
ORIENT EXPRESS HOTELS CL A	COM	G67743107	310	40,500	SH	Shared-Defined	0	40,500	
PEPSICO INC	COM	713448108	919	16,781	SH	Shared-Defined	0	16,781	
PHILIP MORRIS INTERNATIONAL	COM	718172109	13,806	317,298	SH	Shared-Defined	0	317,298	
PROCTOR & GAMBLE CO	COM	742718109	13,389	216,580	SH	Shared-Defined	0	216,580	
QUALCOMM INC COM	COM	747525103	4,424	123,470	SH	Shared-Defined	0	123,470	
REYNOLDS AMERICAN INC	COM	761713106	13,783	341,925	SH	Shared-Defined	0	341,925	
SCHLUMBERGER	COM	806857108	3,803	89,850	SH	Shared-Defined	0	89,850	
SOUTHERN CO COM	COM	842587107	39,221	1,060,022	SH	Shared-Defined	0	1,060,022	
SPECTRA ENERGY CORM COM	COM	847560109	4,656	295,800	SH	Shared-Defined	0	295,800	
UNITED PARCEL SERVICES	COM	911312106	13,398	242,900	SH	Shared-Defined	0	242,900	
UNITED TECHNOLOGIES CORP	COM	913017109	8,961	167,190	SH	Shared-Defined	0	167,190	
VERIZON COMMUNICATIONS	COM	92343V104	12,707	374,850	SH	Shared-Defined	0	374,850	
WAL MART STORES INC COM	COM	931142103	12,198	217,590	SH	Shared-Defined	0	217,590	
WISCONSIN ENERGY COM	COM	976657106	8,431	200,415	SH	Shared-Defined	0	200,415	

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