May 6, 2003

DEPOSITARY RECEIPTS

ATTENTION: EUROPEAN RESEARCH, SALES, TRADING AND OPERATIONS STAFF

NAME CHANGE

TOTAL FINA ELF

OLD NEW

NAME: TOTAL FINA ELF TOTAL S.A.

ADR SYMBOL: TOT UNCHANGED

ADR CUSIP: 89151E109 UNCHANGED

Please be advised that at the Annual Meeting on May 6, 2003 shareholders approved a name change from Total Fina Elf to TOTAL S.A. For ADR and warrant trading purposes the new name will go into effect on the NYSE on the morning of May 7, 2003. The symbol and CUSIP for both the ADR and warrants will not change and there will not be a mandatory exchange of certificates.

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