

## Global Investor and Issuer Services Depositary Receipts

November 26, 2003

**ATTENTION:** European Research, Sales, Trading and Operations Staff

## **UNREGISTERED RIGHTS OFFERING**

## KONINKLIJKE AHOLD N.V.

Country: THE NETHERLANDS

Symbol: AHO

**CUSIP Number:** 500467303

Exchange: NYSE

**Ratio:** 1:1

KONINKLIJKE AHOLD N.V. has announced an Unregistered Rights Offering at a general meeting held today in The Netherlands. Subject to further confirmation, the local record date is today, November 26, 2003.

Because the rights were not registered under the United States Securities Act of 1933, The Bank of New York is not permitted to pass the rights on to the holders of American Depositary Receipts. Therefore, The Bank of New York will attempt to sell the rights in the local market. The proceeds from the sale of the rights, if any such proceeds are received, will be distributed to the ADR holders of KONINKLIJKE AHOLD N.V.

The Bank of New York wishes to establish December 3, 2003 as the ADR record date with a payable date and rate to be announced at a later date. As it is the case that we are unable to provide a rate payable to shareholders, we expect the placement of due bills upon KONINKLIJKE AHOLD N.V. trades. Upon the completion of our sale in the local market, we will announce a cash distribution rate in due course.

Approximate Net Rate per ADS: TBA

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