

For Six Month Period Ending 1/31/04  
(Insert date)

**I - REGISTRANT**

1. (a) Name of Registrant (b) Registration No. 4929  
Blank Rome LLP

(c) Business Address(es) of Registrant  
600 New Hampshire Avenue, NW  
Washington, DC 20037

2. Has there been a change in the information previously furnished in connection with the following:

- (a) If an individual:
  - (1) Residence address Yes  No
  - (2) Citizenship Yes  No
  - (3) Occupation Yes  No
- (b) If an organization:
  - (1) Name Yes  No
  - (2) Ownership or control Yes  No
  - (3) Branch offices Yes  No
- (c) Explain fully all changes, if any, indicated in items (a) and (b) above.

**IF THE REGISTRANT IS AN INDIVIDUAL, OMIT RESPONSE TO ITEMS 3, 4, AND 5(a).**

3. If you have previously filed Exhibit C<sup>1</sup>, state whether any changes therein have occurred during this 6 month reporting period.  
Yes  No

If yes, have you filed an amendment to the Exhibit C? Yes  No

If no, please attach the required amendment.

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<sup>1</sup> The Exhibit C, for which no printed form is provided, consists of a true copy of the charter, articles of incorporation, association, and by laws of a registrant that is an organization. (a waiver of the requirement to file an Exhibit C may be obtained for good cause upon written application to the Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Internal Security Section, U.S. Department of Justice, Washington, D.C. 20530.)

4. (a) Have any persons ceased acting as partners, officers, directors or similar officials of the registrant during this 6 month reporting period? Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position	Date Connection Ended
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- (b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period? Yes  \* No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
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\* See attached updated list, which was originally provided under former Dyer Ellis & Joseph registration No. 5345

5. (a) Has any person named in item 4(b) rendered services directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal? Yes  No

If yes, identify each such person and describe his service.

- (b) Have any employee or individuals, who have filed a short form registration statement, terminated their employment or connection with the registrant during this 6 month reporting? Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Position or connection	Date terminated
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- (c) During this six month reporting period, has the registrant hired as employees or in any other capacity, any persons who rendered or will render services to the registrant directly in furtherance of the interests of any foreign principal(s) in other than a clerical or secretarial, or in a related or similar capacity? Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
Ms. Roberta K. Dagher	3710 Greenspring Rd. Havre De Grace, MD 21078	U.S.	Associate	8/1/03

(Short form registration statement attached.)

6. Have short form registration statements been filed by all of the persons named in Items 5(a) and 5(c) of the supplemental statement? Yes  No

If no, list names of persons who have not filed the required statement.

II - FOREIGN PRINCIPAL

7. Has your connection with any foreign principal ended during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name of foreign principal

Date of termination

8. Have you acquired any new foreign principal<sup>2</sup> during this 6 month reporting period?

Yes  No

If yes, furnish following information:

Name and address of foreign principal

Date acquired

9. In addition to those named in Items 7 and 8, if any, list foreign principals<sup>2</sup> whom you continued to represent during the 6 month reporting period.

China Shipping (Group) Company

Fonterra Co-operative Group Limited

Meat New Zealand

10. EXHIBITS A AND B

(a) Have you filed for each of the newly acquired foreign principals in Item 8 the following:

N/A

Exhibit A<sup>3</sup> Yes  No   
Exhibit B<sup>4</sup> Yes  No

If no, please attach the required exhibit.

(b) Have there been any changes in the Exhibits A and B previously filed for any foreign principal whom you represented during this six month period? Yes  No

If yes, have you filed an amendment to these exhibits? Yes  No

If no, please attach the required amendment.

2 The term "foreign principal" includes, in addition to those defined in section 1(b) of the Act, an individual organization any of whose activities are directly or indirectly supervised, directed, controlled, financed, or subsidized in whole or in major part by a foreign government, foreign political party, foreign organization or foreign individual. (See Rule 100(a) (9)). A registrant who represents more than one foreign principal is required to list in the statements he files under the Act only those principals for whom he is not entitled to claim exemption under Section 3 of the Act. (See Rule 208.)  
3 The Exhibit A, which is filed on form CRM-157 (Formerly OBD-67) sets forth the information required to be disclosed concerning each foreign principal.  
4 The Exhibit B, which is filed on Form CRM-155 (Formerly OBD-65) sets forth the information concerning the agreement or understanding between the registrant and the foreign principal.

III - ACTIVITIES

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11. During this 6 month reporting period, have you engaged in any activities for or rendered any services to any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement? Yes  No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail your activities and services:

See attachment

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12. During this 6 month reporting period, have you on behalf of any foreign principal engaged in political activity<sup>5</sup> as defined below? Yes  No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal and describe in full detail all such political activity, indicating, among other things, the relations, interests and policies sought to be influenced and the means employed to achieve this purpose. If the registrant arranged, sponsored or delivered speeches, lectures or radio and TV broadcasts, give details as to dates, places, of delivery, names of speakers and subject matter.

See attachment

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13. In addition to the above described activities, if any, have you engaged in activity on your own behalf which benefits any or all of your foreign principals? Yes  No

If yes, describe fully.

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<sup>5</sup> The term "political activities" means any activity that the person engaging in believes will, or that the person intends to, in any way influence any agency or official of the Government of the United States or any section of the public within the United States with reference to formulating, adopting or changing the domestic or foreign policies of the United States or with reference to political or public interests, policies, or relations of a government of a foreign country or a foreign political party.

IV - FINANCIAL INFORMATION

14. (a) RECEIPTS-MONIES

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal, any contributions, income or money either as compensation or otherwise? Yes  No

If no, explain why.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies<sup>6</sup>

Date	From Whom	Purpose	Amount
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See attached sheet detailing monies

\$786,159.12

Total

(b) RECEIPTS - FUND RASING CAMPAIGN

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received, as part of a fund raising campaign<sup>7</sup>, any money on behalf of any foreign principal named in items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement? Yes  No

If yes, have you filed an Exhibit D to your registration? Yes  No  N/A

If yes, indicate the date the Exhibit D was filed. Date \_\_\_\_\_ N/A

(c) RECEIPTS-THINGS OF VALUE

During this 6 month reporting period, have you received any thing of value<sup>9</sup> other than money from any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement, or from any other source, for or in the interests of any such foreign principal?

Yes  No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Name of foreign principal	Date received	Description of thing of value	Purpose
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6, 7 A registrant is required to file an Exhibit D if he collects or receives contributions, loans, money, or other things of value for a foreign principal, as part of a fund raising campaign. (See Rule 201(e).)

8 An Exhibit D, for which no printed form is provided, sets forth an account of money collected or received as a result of a fund raising campaign and transmitted for a foreign principal.

9 Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks," and the like.

15. (a) **DISBURSEMENTS-MONIES**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you

(1) disbursed or expended monies in connection with activity on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement?      Yes       No

(2) transmitted monies to any such foreign principal?      Yes       No

If no, explain in full detail why there were no disbursements made on behalf of any foreign principal.

If yes, set forth below in the required detail and separately for each foreign principal an account of such monies, including monies transmitted, if any, to each foreign principal.

Date	To Whom	Purpose	Amount
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See attached sheet detailing monies

\$56,601.52  
Total

(b) **DISBURSEMENTS-THINGS OF VALUE**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you disposed of anything of value<sup>10</sup> other than money in furtherance of or in connection with activities on behalf of any foreign principal named in Items 7, 8, and 9 of this statement?

Yes

No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date disposed	Name of person to whom given	On behalf of what foreign principal	Description of thing of value	Purpose
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(c) **DISBURSEMENTS-POLITICAL CONTRIBUTIONS**

During this 6 month reporting period, have you from your own funds and on your own behalf either directly or through any other person, made any contributions of money or other things of value<sup>11</sup> in connection with an election to any political office, or in connection with any primary election, convention, or caucus held to select candidates for political office?

Yes

No

If yes, furnish the following information:

Date	Amount or thing of value	Name of political organization	Name of candidate
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See attachment

10, 11 Things of value include but are not limited to gifts, interest free loans, expense free travel, favored stock purchases, exclusive rights, favored treatment over competitors, "kickbacks" and the like.

V - INFORMATIONAL MATERIALS

16. During this 6 month reporting period, did you prepare, disseminate or cause to be disseminated any informational materials<sup>12</sup>?  
Yes  No

IF YES, RESPOND TO THE REMAINING ITEMS IN SECTION V.

17. Identify each such foreign principal.

18. During this 6 month reporting period, has any foreign principal established a budget or allocated a specified sum of money to finance your activities in preparing or disseminating informational materials? Yes  No

If yes, identify each such foreign principal, specify amount, and indicate for what period of time.

19. During this 6 month reporting period, did your activities in preparing, disseminating or causing the dissemination of informational materials include the use of any of the following:

- Radio or TV broadcasts
- Magazine or newspaper articles
- Motion picture films
- Letters or telegrams
- Advertising campaigns
- Press releases
- Pamphlets or other publications
- Lectures or speeches
- Internet
- Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

20. During this 6 month reporting period, did you disseminate or cause to be disseminated informational materials among any of the following groups:

- Public Officials
- Newspapers
- Libraries
- Legislators
- Editors
- Educational institutions
- Government agencies
- Civic groups or associations
- Nationality groups
- Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

21. What language was used in the informational materials:

- English
- Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

22. Did you file with the Registration Unit, U.S. Department of Justice a copy of each item of such informational materials disseminated or caused to be disseminated during this 6 month reporting period? Yes  No

23. Did you label each item of such informational materials with the statement required by Section 4(b) of the Act? Yes  No

<sup>12</sup> The term informational materials includes any oral, visual, graphic, written, or pictorial information or matter of any kind, including that published by means of advertising, books, periodicals, newspapers, lectures, broadcasts, motion pictures, or any means or instrumentality of interstate or foreign commerce or otherwise. Informational materials disseminated by an agent of a foreign principal as part of an activity in itself exempt from registration, or an activity which by itself would not require registration, need not be filed pursuant to Section 4(b) of the Act.

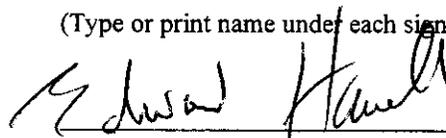
**VI--EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, the undersigned swear(s) or affirm(s) under penalty of perjury that he/she has (they have) read the information set forth in this registration statement and the attached exhibits and that he/she is (they are) familiar with the contents thereof and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her (their) knowledge and belief, except that the undersigned make(s) no representation as to truth or accuracy of the information contained in the attached Short Form Registration Statement(s), if any, insofar as such information is not within his/her (their) personal knowledge.

(Date of signature)

March 2, 2004

(Type or print name under each signature<sup>13</sup>)



Edward J. Farrell

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<sup>13</sup> This statement shall be signed by the individual agent, if the registrant is an individual, or by a majority of those partners, officers, directors or persons performing similar functions, if the registrant is an organization, except that the organization can, by power of attorney, authorize one or more individuals to execute this statement on its behalf.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE  
FARA REGISTRATION UNIT  
CRIMINAL DIVISION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20530

**NOTICE**

Please answer the following questions and return this sheet in triplicate with your Supplemental Statement:

1. Is your answer to Item 16 of Section V (Informational Materials - page 8 of Form CRM-154, formerly Form OBD-64-Supplemental Statement):

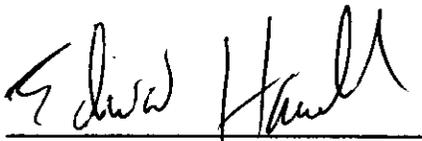
YES \_\_\_\_\_ or NO X \_\_\_\_\_

(If your answer to question 1 is "yes" do not answer question 2 of this form.)

2. Do you disseminate any material in connection with your registration:

YES \_\_\_\_\_ or NO X \_\_\_\_\_

(If your answer to question 2 is "yes" please forward for our review copies of all material including: films, film catalogs, posters, brochures, press releases, etc. which you have disseminated during the past six months.)

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

3/2/04  
Date

Edward J. Farrell

Please type or print name of signatory on the line above

~~Partner~~ \_\_\_\_\_  
Title

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Short Form List For Registrant: Blank Rome, LLP

Last Name	First Name and Other Names	Registration Date	Termination Date	Role
Barrett	Jane F.	1/13/04		
Blanton	Alex	1/13/04		
Cheplo	Thomas Z.	1/13/04		
Drewry	James	1/13/04		
Dyer	Andrew W. Jr.,	1/13/04		
Dyer	Thomas M.	1/13/04		
Esber	Brett	1/13/04		
Farrell	Edward J.	7/22/94		
Freeman	Alan M.	1/13/04		
Mitchell	Sarah Heckel	1/13/04		
Naftzger	J. Christopher	1/13/04		
Shehadeh	Karim K.	1/13/04		
Smith	Duncan C. III	1/13/04		
Waldron	Jonathan K.	1/13/04		

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SECTION B

In addition to those persons listed in Section A, list below all current employees rendering services directly on behalf of the foreign principal(s) who have not as yet filed short-form registration statements. (Do not list clerks, secretaries, typists or employees in a similar or related capacity. If there is some question as to whether an employee has an obligation to file a short-form, please address a letter to us describing the activities and connection with the foreign principal.)

Name	Function	Date Hired
Roberta Kienast Dagher	Attorney	February 15, 1999

Signature: Edward Hamill

Date: 3/2/0

Title: Partner

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4. (b) Have any persons become partners, officers, directors or similar officials during this 6 month reporting period.

Yes X

If yes, furnish the following information.

Name	Residence Address	Citizenship	Position	Date Assumed
David F. Girard-diCarlo	1155 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street, NW Apt. 6C North Washington, DC 20037  7 Ithan Woods Lane Villanova, PA 19085	USA	Chairman	11/3/01
Fred Blume	615 Fairview Road Narberth, PA 19072	USA	Managing Partner & Chief Executive Officer	11/1/01
Barry H. Genkin	544 Howe Road Merion, PA 19066	USA	Finance Partner	11/1/01
Carl M. Buchholz	6262 Henry Lane Flourtown, PA 19031	USA	Executive Partner	1/1/03
T. Michael Dyer	1111 23 <sup>rd</sup> Street, NW Apt. 5-B Washington, DC 20037	USA	Executive Committee Member	1/1/03
Robert J. Mittman	425 East 58 <sup>th</sup> Street New York, NY 10022	USA	Executive Committee Member	11/3/01
Michael S. Mullman	205 West End Avenue #21-H New York, NY 10023-4823	USA	Executive Committee Member	1/1/03
Raymond L. Shapiro	One Independence Place #1901 241 South 6 <sup>th</sup> Street Philadelphia, PA 19103  265 E. 66 <sup>th</sup> Street #31G New York, NY 10021	USA	Executive Committee Member	11/3/01
Matthew J. Siembieda	734 Arlington Road Narberth, PA 19072	USA	Executive Committee Member	11/3/01

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Registration # 4929

Advice to China Shipping (Group) Company on Federal Maritime Commission general matters, including FMC enforcement action, including requests for information, as well as on issues related to Section 9(c) of the Controlled Carrier Act.

Advice to Fonterra Co-operative Group Limited on various problems affecting the importation of dairy products into the United States, with particular emphasis on domestic efforts to curb access for various products.

Advice to Meat New Zealand on various problems affecting the importation of meat into the United States, with particular emphasis on the application of meat import legislation and department regulations.

Page 4 – Question 12 – Political Activity on Behalf of a Foreign Principal

Registration # 4929

Meetings and teleconferences with U.S. government officials, on behalf of China Shipping (Group) Company, related to the FMC enforcement action.

Meetings with Congressional Staffers, on behalf of Fonterra Co-operative Group limited, opposing pending legislation to impose Tariff Rate Quotas on imports of casein and milk protein concentrate.

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**China Shipping (Group) Co.**

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
07/25/03	301974	\$ 56,551.06
08/21/03	302910	\$ 48,718.60
11/04/03	305750	\$ 89,120.69
11/06/03	306121	\$ 48,291.73
11/20/03	306563	\$ 42,883.76
12/18/03	307743	\$ 3,956.48
01/15/04	308910	\$ 13,103.49
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>\$302,625.81</u></b>

**Fonterra Co-operative Group Limited**

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
08/12/03	Wire Payment	\$ 51,170.33
09/16/03	Wire Payment	\$ 43,337.33
11/20/03	Wire Payment	\$ 35,370.83
12/08/03	Wire Payment	\$ 50,956.33
12/23/03	Wire Payment	\$ 56,973.33
01/08/04	Wire Payment	\$ 80,088.83
01/29/04	Wire Payment	\$ 88,448.33
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>\$406,345.31</u></b>

**Meat New Zealand**

<u>Date Received</u>	<u>Check #</u>	<u>Amount</u>
9/3/03	535248	\$ 15,460.00
10/21/03	546292	\$ 5,720.00
11/25/03	551751	\$ 2,860.00
12/31/03	556986	\$ 53,148.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b><u>\$ 77,188</u></b>

**TOTAL: \$786,159.12**

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**China Shipping (Group) Co.**

<b><u>Disbursement Type</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Computer Aided Research	\$ 407.00
Conferences/Meeting Expenses	\$ 292.57
Copies	\$ 4,984.19
Facsimile	\$ 42.75
Filing Fees	\$ 975.00
Postage	\$ 55.34
Professional Consulting	\$ 9,265.88
Secretarial Overtime	\$ 122.50
Taxis and Deliveries	\$ 338.60
Telephone	\$ 55.73
Travel	\$ 653.97
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$17,193.53</u></b>

**Fonterra Co-operative Group Limited**

<b><u>Disbursement Type</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Computer Aided Research	\$ 7,450.00
Conferences/Meeting Expenses	\$ 2,577.68
Copies	\$ 2,153.04
Facsimile	\$ 517.00
Filing Fees	\$ 1,525.00
Postage	\$ 49.60
Secretarial Overtime	\$ 131.25
Taxis and Deliveries	\$ 498.64
Telephone	\$ 4,476.95
Travel	\$15,679.13
Publications	\$ 232.67
Representation	\$ 558.44
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$35,849.40</u></b>

**Meat New Zealand**

<b><u>Disbursement Type</u></b>	<b><u>Amount</u></b>
Conferences/Meeting Expenses	\$ 567.41
Copies	\$ 3.96
Filing Fees	\$ 1,525.00
Postage	\$ 26.05
Taxis and Deliveries	\$ 279.00
Telephone	\$ 122.24
Representation	\$ 1,034.93
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>\$ 3,558.59</u></b>
<b>TOTAL:</b>	<b><u>\$56,601.52</u></b>

Jane F. Barrett

12/17/03	Hal Rogers PAC	\$ 700.00
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James S.W. Drewry

7/23/03	Mark Sickles for Delegate, VA	\$ 250.00
9/24/03	John Breaux Senate Committee	\$ 500.00
10/23/03	Mark Sickles for Delegate, VA	\$ 100.00
10/27/03	Murtha for Congress	\$ 250.00

T.M. Dyer

7/07/03	LoBiondo for Congress	\$ 500.00
7/14/03	Alaskans for Don Young	\$ 500.00
7/17/03	Scott York, Chair/Loudon Cnty Board of Supervisors	\$ 100.00
7/28/03	Midnight Sun PAC	\$1000.00
9/09/03	David Vitter for Congress	\$1000.00
9/21/03	Republican Governors' Association	\$5000.00
10/22/03	Renzi for Congress	\$1000.00
10/22/03	Mike Rogers for Congress	\$1000.00
12/01/03	Mike Ferguson, NJ	\$ 500.00
12/12/03	Hal Rogers PAC	\$1000.00

Brett M. Esber

10/24/03	Murtha for Congress	\$1000.00
12/3/03	Hal Rogers PAC	\$1000.00

Edward J. Farrell

9/22/03	Hoeffel for Senate	\$ 500.00
9/29/03	Texans for Bonilla	\$ 500.00
11/10/03	Friends of Mike Ferguson	\$ 500.00

J. Christopher Naftzger

12/03/03	Hal Rogers PAC	\$ 250.00
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Duncan C. Smith III

7/23/03	Mark Sickles for Delegate, VA	\$ 250.00
8/03/03	Midnight Sun PAC	\$1500.00
10/23/03	Alaskans for Don Young	\$1000.00
10/28/03	Murtha for Congress	\$ 750.00
11/03/03	Forgit for Delegate, VA	\$1000.00
12/11/03	Bush/Cheney '04, Inc.	\$2000.00