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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 24 500 Bourke Street MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3000 AUSTRALIA

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Yes O No ý

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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National Australia Bank Limited and to be part thereof from the date on which this Report, is filed, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed or furnished.

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SIGNATURE PAGE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LIMITED

Date: 3 May 2004

Title:

Susan E Crook Company Secretary

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Group Corporate Affairs

National Australia Bank Limited ABN 12004044937

500 Bourke Street Melbourne Victoria 3000 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