

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET INC

Form 8-K

April 27, 2005

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**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, D.C. 20549

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**FORM 8-K**

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**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): April 27, 2005 (April 21, 2005)

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**THE NASDAQ STOCK MARKET, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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Delaware  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

000-32651  
(Commission File Number)

52-1165937  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

One Liberty Plaza, New York, New York

10006

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(Address of principal executive offices)

(Zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (212) 401-8700

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**Item 1.01. Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

On April 21, 2005, The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. ( Nasdaq ) and National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. ( NASD ) entered into a Stock Repurchase and Waiver Agreement whereby NASD consented to financing undertaken by Nasdaq in connection with the transactions contemplated under the merger agreement entered into by Nasdaq, Instinet Group Incorporated and Norway Acquisition Corp. on April 22, 2005. In exchange for the waiver, Nasdaq repurchased 384,932 shares of its Series C Cumulative Preferred Stock owned by NASD for approximately \$40 million, which included all accrued and unpaid dividends and Additional Redemption Amounts (as defined in the Certificate of Designations, Preferences and Rights of the Series C Cumulative Preferred Stock) due on these repurchased shares. Nasdaq is a subsidiary of NASD. The waiver is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated by reference into this Item 1.01.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) Exhibits.

- 99.1 Stock Repurchase and Waiver Agreement, dated as of April 21, 2005, between The Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. and National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Dated: April 27, 2005

THE NASDAQ STOCK MARKET, INC.

By: /s/ Edward S. Knight

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Edward S. Knight

Executive Vice President and General Counsel

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