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February 17, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER  
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16  
UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of February, 2004

SPIRENT plc

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Spirent House, Crawley Business Quarter, Fleming Way, Crawley, West Sussex  
RH10 9QL, UK.

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(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes .....              No              X

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SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

1. Name of company

SPIRENT PLC

2. Name of shareholder having a major interest

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BARCLAYS PLC

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18

SHAREHOLDER NAMED IN 2 ABOVE

4. Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them

| Registered Holder              | Account designation | Holding    |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|------------|
| ABBEYUTTL-6010782807-VIDACOS N | ABBEYUTT            | 266,593    |
| ABPEURUKQ-872482-MELLON NOMINE | ABPEURUK            | 810,646    |
| ABUEURTTL-8003168-MORGAN NOMIN | ABUEURTT            | 18,757     |
| ALEXITTTT-28166-CHASE NOMINEES | ALEXITTT            | 2,971,464  |
| ALMLUFTTL-18409-CHASE MANHATTA | ALMLUFTT            | 487,521    |
| ASTEXMTTL-21359-CHASE NOMINEES | ASTEXMTT            | 1,220,660  |
| ASUKEXTTL-20947-CHASE MANHATTA | ASUKEXTT            | 36,902,444 |
| AXATRKTTL-845315-MIDLAND BANK  | AXATRKTT            | 23,453     |
| B2350FTTL-19499-CHASE MANHATTA | B2350FTT            | 106,298    |
| BARCLAYS CAPITAL NOMINEES LIMI |                     | 734,302    |
| BARCLAYS NOMS MONUMENT R97     |                     | 13,777     |
| BARCLAYS TRUST CO AS EXEC/ADM  |                     | 1,128      |
| BARCLAYSHARE NOMINEES LIMITED  |                     | 41,330     |
| BDFORDTTL-BCP01-NORTHERN TRUST | BDFORDTT            | 47,353     |
| BDUKEQTTL-N3YZ-STATE STREET    | BDUKEQTT            | 10,446     |
| BEUREQTTL-N3B2-STATE STREET    | BEUREQTT            | 8,621      |
| BLENTFUKQ-16344-CHASE MANHATTA | BLENTFUK            | 279,176    |
| BLENTPUKQ-16345-CHASE MANHATTA | BLENTPUK            | 538,020    |
| BLEQFDUKQ-16331-CHASE MANHATTA | BLEQFDUK            | 246,435    |
| BLEQPTUEA-16341-CHASE MANHATTA | BLEQPTUE            | 1,610,786  |

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| BLEQPTUKQ-16341-CHASE MANHATTA  | BLEQPTUK | 650,710   |
|                                 | BLFEDRTT | 122,407   |
| BLFEDRTTL-28269-CHASE NOMINEES  |          |           |
| BLFEPDTTL-28270-CHASE NOMINEES  | BLFEPDTT | 603,441   |
| BLFEPDUKQ-28270-CHASE NOMINEES  | BLFEPDUK | 270,467   |
| BLUKINTTL-16400-CHASE MANHATTA  | BLUKINTT | 8,433,668 |
| BRKSPFTTL-813168-MIDLAND BANK   | BRKSPFTT | 810,991   |
| BTPOOLEUR-16315-CHASE MANHATTA  | BTPOOLEU | 381,288   |
| BUCAPTUEA-19503-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUCAPTUE | 219,950   |
| BUCAPTUKQ-19503-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUCAPTUK | 124,989   |
| BUDISTUKA-19514-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUDISTUK | 117,060   |
| BUEXINTTL-19520-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUEXINTT | 189,433   |
| BUFIVE350-19508-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUFIVE35 | 1,116,144 |
| BUGENRTTL-19507-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUGENRTT | 319,061   |
| BUGENRUEA-19507-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUGENRUE | 564,304   |
| BUINCM350-19505-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUINCM35 | 209,020   |
| BUINCMTTL-19505-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUINCMTT | 138,568   |
| BUINVFTTL-19518-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUINVFTT | 493,199   |
| BUKEQUTTL-N3B6-STATE STREET     | BUKEQUTT | 287,623   |
| BUSPCSUKQ-19519-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUSPCSUK | 2,099,471 |
| BUTRSFTTL-19512-CHASE MANHATTA  | BUTRSFTT | 40,008    |
| CAAPENTTL-CVS21-NORTHERN TRUST  | CAAPENTT | 1,475,346 |
| CEULIPTTL-367748-BANK OF NEW Y  | CEULIPTT | 3,257,871 |
| CHATRKTTTL-16376-CHASE MANHATTA | CHATRKTT | 475,611   |
| CHRSTHUKX-16621-CHASE MANHATTA  | CHRSTHUK | 182,152   |
| CHUCOMTTL-31961-CHASE NOMINEES  | CHUCOMTT | 764,562   |
| CLTWORTTL-392177-BANK OF NEW Y  | CLTWORTT | 306,935   |
| COUEUKTTL-392067-BANK OF NEW Y  | COUEUKTT | 4,070,892 |
| DENTSTUKA-16644-CHASE MANHATTA  | DENTSTUK | 344,035   |
| DUNSWRUKA-16612-CHASE MANHATTA  | DUNSWRUK | 132,715   |
| DYFEDXUKA-772823-MIDLAND BANK   | DYFEDXUK | 1,412,840 |
| ESBSUPTTL-218311-BANK OF NEW Y  | ESBSUPTT | 43,074    |

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| FFP350TTL-221476-BNY (OCS) NOM | FFP350TT | 218,995   |
| FFPONGTTL-221428-BANK OF NEW Y | FFPONGTT | 358,521   |
| FKRUSSTTL-501562755-BANKERS TR | FKRUSSTT | 2,136,320 |
| FRNUKQTTL-501575013-BANKERS TR | FRNUKQTT | 333,024   |
| GMITRNTTL-25772-CHASE MANHATTA | GMITRNTT | 439,014   |
| GODUNYEUR-16281-CHASE MANHATTA | GODUNYEU | 341,021   |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.   | 527191   | 3,056,084 |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.   | 536747   | 756,438   |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.   | 552942   | 402,745   |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.   | 573039   | 92,016    |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.   | 585934   | 9,820     |
| INVESTORS BANK AND TRUST CO.   | 595966   | 230,692   |
| JPMORGAN CHASE BANK            | 540186   | 181,647   |
| JPMORGAN CHASE BANK            | BTGF01IE | 341,021   |
| JPMORGAN CHASE BANK            | BTGF05IE | 381,288   |
| KIOGEQUKA-387173-BNY (OCS) NOM | KIOGEOUK | 178,749   |
| MARKIPTTL-814537-MIDLAND BANK  | MARKIPTT | 80,198    |
| MARKUKTTL-814574-MIDLAND BANK  | MARKUKTT | 75,842    |
| NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA | 581610   | 274,022   |
| NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA | 584069   | 116,930   |
| NORTHERN TRUST BANK - BGI SEPA | 604162   | 41,732    |
| NUFFOUTTL-TNF01-NORTRUST NOMIN | NUFFOUTT | 319,919   |
| NUFGENUKA-16901-CHASE MANHATTA | NUFGENUK | 123,521   |
| PGUKALTTL-613363-CITIBANK NA   | PGUKALTT | 518,295   |
| POWYSFTTL-16649-CHASE MANHATTA | POWYSFTT | 41,844    |
| PPPMEDUKQ-8002238-DEUTSCHE BAN | PPPMEDUK | 127,458   |
| PTMA11TTL-27717-CHASE NOMINEES | PTMA11TT | 12,195    |
| R C GREIG NOMINEES LIMITED A/C | BL1      | 161,919   |
| R C GREIG NOMINEES LIMITED A/C | CM1      | 40,458    |
| R C GREIG NOMINEES LIMITED GP1 | GP1      | 15,218    |
| R C GREIG NOMINEES LIMITED SA1 | SA1      | 18,461    |

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| ROYLIVTTL-LIV02-NORTRUST NOMIN | ROYLIVTT | 743,448    |
| SCTPEQTLC-SCO06-NORTRUST NOMIN | SCTPEOTL | 314,532    |
| STHWRKUKQ-16669-CHASE MANHATTA | STHWRKUK | 79,390     |
| TORFAEUKQ-003002-MELLON NOMINE | TORFAEUK | 84,024     |
| TPGEQUTTL-6948890986-CITIBANK  | TPGEOUTT | 175,531    |
| TRIBUNTTL-18243-CHASE MANHATTA | TRIBUNTT | 127,489    |
| UBS LIMITED                    | 583996   | 446,293    |
| UNIAEQTTL-USF12-NORTHERN TRUST | UNIAEOTT | 1,837,560  |
| UNLVERUKQ-USF06-NORTHERN TRUST | UNLVERUK | 207,560    |
| WELLCOTTL-JD12-STATE STREET    | WELLCOTT | 447,165    |
| WINUKPTTL-6010640794-VIDACOS N | WINUKPTT | 252,237    |
| WOOUSFTTL-214075-BANK OF NEW Y | WOOUSFTT | 3,356,057  |
| ZEBAN NOMINEES LIMITED         |          | 1,700      |
| ZEBAN NOMINEES LIMITED         |          | 4,780      |
|                                | TOTAL    | 95,500,218 |

5. Number of shares / amount of stock acquired

NOT NOTIFIED

6. Percentage of issued class

NOT NOTIFIED

7. Number of shares / amount of stock disposed

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8. Percentage of issued class

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9. Class of security

ORDINARY SHARES OF 3.3333 PENCE EACH

10. Date of transaction

NOT NOTIFIED

11. Date company informed

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12. Total holding following this notification

95,500,218

13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

10.07%

14. Any additional information

NOTIFICATION RECEIVED PURSUANT TO S198-202 COMPANIES ACT 1985 THAT THE SHAREHOLDER NAMED IN 2 ABOVE HAS INCREASED THEIR SHAREHOLDING IN SPIRENT PLC TO 10.07%. SHAREHOLDER PREVIOUSLY REPORTED A SHAREHOLDING OF 57,366,187 SHARES (6.05%) ON 13 FEBRUARY 2004.

15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries

LUKE THOMAS - 01293 767658

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

LUKE THOMAS - DEPUTY COMPANY SECRETARY

Date of notification

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### Signatures

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 authorized.

\_\_\_\_LUKE THOMAS\_\_\_\_

(Registrant)

Date 16 February, 2004

By \_\_\_\_/s/ Luke Thomas\_\_\_\_

(Signature)\*