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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report March 3, 2004

Commission file number 1-10948

OFFICE DEPOT, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware 59-2663954

(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization) (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

2200 Old Germantown Road, Delray Beach, Florida 33445

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) (561) 438-4800

(Registrant s telephone number, including area code)
Former name or former address, if changed since last report: N/A

ITEM 9. INFORMATION FURNISHED PURSUANT TO SEC REGULATION FD

On March 3, 2004, Office Depot, Inc. issued a press release announcing its acquisition of 124 Kids R Us retail store locations from Toys R Us, Inc. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated by reference herein.

This information is furnished pursuant to Item 9 of Form 8-K and shall not be deemed filed for purposes of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended (the Exchange Act), or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section, unless specifically incorporated by reference in a document filed under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, or the Exchange Act. The filing of this Form 8-K does not constitute an admission as to the materiality of any information contained in this report or that the information contained herein is material investor information that is not otherwise publicly available.

ITEM 7.FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

99.1 Press release of Office Depot, Inc. issued on March 3, 2004.

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SIGNATURE

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.

OFFICE DEPOT, INC.

Date: March 3, 2004 By: /s/ DAVID C. FANNIN

David C. Fannin

Executive Vice President and General

Counsel

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