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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] HESKETT JAMES L			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>LIMITED BRANDS INC</u> [LTD]		ionship of Reporting Perso all applicable) Director	n(s) to Issuer 10% Owner				
(Last) 1300 MOUNT A	(Lact) (Eirct) (Middlo)		3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 02/06/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)				
(Street) CAMBRIDGE (City)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv Line) X	ridual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person					
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1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (ction	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			Securities	(D) or Indirect	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
		Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/Y	ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) ty	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares				
Phantom Stock	\$0.000 ⁽¹⁾	02/06/2004		A		2,448		(2)	(2)	Common Stock, \$0.50 par value	2,448	\$0	4,911	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. This award converts to common stock on a 1-for-1 basis.

2. The shares of phantom stock become payable upon the reporting person's termination of service as a director.

Remarks:

By: Robert J. Tannous,

Attorney-in-Fact

02/06/2004

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

 \ast If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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