

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND
NORTHERN DIVISION**

IN RE ROYAL AHOLD SECURITIES AND "ERISA" LITIGATION))))	03-MD-1539-CCB RELATED TO ALL SECURITIES ACTIONS
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DECLARATION OF ENRIQUE BOERBOOM

I, ENRIQUE BOERBOOM, under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States hereby declare as follows:

1. I am the Corporate Secretary of Royal Ahold N.V. ("Ahold"). I make this declaration on personal knowledge and my investigation of relevant facts.

2. Ahold is a publicly traded corporation with its common shares listed on the Euronext Amsterdam. Ahold has a secondary listing on the Swiss Stock Exchange in Zurich. Ahold common shares are also listed on the New York Stock Exchange in the form of American Depository Shares ("ADSs"), evidenced by American Depository Receipts ("ADRs"). The depository for the ADSs is The Bank of New York. Each ADR evidences the right to receive one common share.

3. According to Ahold's 2002 20-F, as of December 29, 2002 Ahold had 931,106,897 common shares outstanding and 30,855,788 outstanding ADRs, representing approximately 3.31% of the total outstanding shares of Ahold stock. (Annexed hereto as Exhibit A are relevant portions of the 2002 20-F, which set forth these quantities.)

4. The vast majority of Ahold shares as of February 24, 2003 were bearer shares for which Ahold has no direct information as to the identities and address of the holders. The exceptions to this are (a) the holders of the ADRs, whose identity is, in some circumstances, known or obtainable by Ahold through The Bank of New York; (b) certain holders of registered

Ahold Shares (representing 22 shareholders owning approximately 96,544 total outstanding shares); and (c) certain very large shareholders of Ahold who are required to report their holdings pursuant to Dutch law.

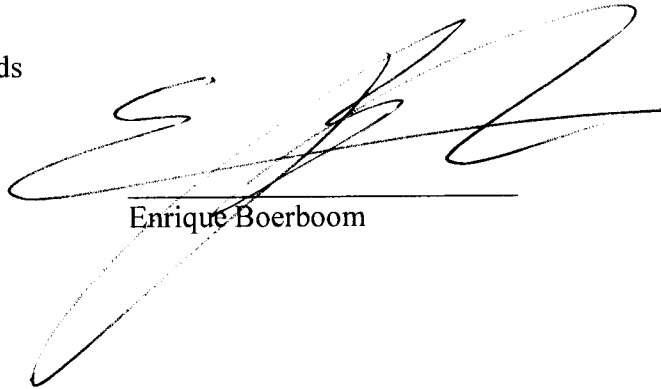
5. Through indirect means, Ahold has limited information concerning the identity of its shareholders. Ahold engages an outside firm, Taylor Rafferty, to research and identify the holders of Ahold shares. At Ahold's request, Taylor Rafferty conducts a survey to determine the identity and number of shares held by institutions and individuals throughout the world.

6. To determine Ahold's shareholders for the period around year end 2002, Taylor Rafferty performed such a survey for Ahold in approximately January - February 2003. Taylor Rafferty concluded, as reported in Ahold's 2002 annual report, that over 18% of Ahold's shareholders could not be identified, even on the most general basis of country of residence. Of the portion of Ahold shareholders that could be identified for the time period of approximately end of 2002, 29.9% were from the Netherlands, 21% were from North America, 13.7% were from the United Kingdom and Ireland, 5.2% were from Germany, 2.8% were from Switzerland, 2.2% were from France, 6.5% were from the rest of Europe and .6% were from the rest of the world. (See Exhibit A to Declaration of Jeffrey Zelkowitz, dated November 4, 2005 ("Zelkowitz Decl."))

7. According to Taylor Rafferty, the 82% of total shareholders which are identifiable by country of residence is comprised of 67% institutional shareholders and 15% retail investors. (Zelkowitz Decl. Ex. A at 4). The 15% of Ahold shareholders who are retail investors who were identified by nationality were not and, as set forth in the Zelkowitz Declaration, cannot be identified by Taylor Rafferty. Ahold has no additional information on the

identity of such retail shareholders. Thus, the identity of at least one third of all Ahold shareholders as of the time period on or around February 24, 2003 are unknown and unknowable to Ahold.

Dated: Amsterdam, the Netherlands
November 4, 2005



Enrique Boerboom