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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.

Smith & Nephew Plc  
(Registrant)

Date: March 01, 2010

By: /s/ Susan Henderson  
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Susan Henderson  
Company Secretary

Non-Executive Board Changes at Smith & Nephew plc

1 March 2010

Smith & Nephew plc (LSE: SN, NYSE: SNN), the global medical technology business, announced today the retirement of Mr Warren Knowlton and the appointment of Professor Geneviève Berger and Mr Ian Barlow as Non-Executive Directors.

Warren Knowlton will be retiring from the Board at the Annual General Meeting on 6 May 2010 after 9 years of service. During his tenure Warren has been Chairman of the Audit Committee since 2001. The Board



## **About Us**

Smith & Nephew is a global medical technology business, specialising in Orthopaedics, including Reconstruction, Trauma and Clinical Therapies; Endoscopy and Advanced Wound Management. Smith & Nephew is a global leader in arthroscopy and advanced wound management and is one of the leading global orthopaedics companies.

Smith & Nephew is dedicated to helping improve people's lives. The Company prides itself on the strength of its relationships with its surgeons and professional healthcare customers, with whom its name is synonymous with high standards of performance, innovation and trust. The Company operates in 32 countries around the world. Annual sales in 2008 were nearly \$3.8 billion.