

BIRKS GROUP INC.
Form 6-K
November 18, 2016

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 November, 2016

Commission file number: 001-32635

BIRKS GROUP INC.

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

1240 Phillips Square

Montreal Québec

Canada

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(Address of principal executive office)

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EXPLANATORY NOTE:

1. APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR

The Board of Directors appointed Mr. Joseph F.X. Zahra as a director of Birks Group Inc. (the Company) effective November 9, 2016. Mr. Zahra is considered an independent director in accordance with the NYSE MKT Company Guide.

Mr. Zahra is a founding partner and managing director of MISCO, an independent consulting group operating in Malta and Cyprus since 1983. Mr. Zahra also serves as director of several private, publicly-listed and regulated companies operating in the following industries: financial services (insurance and investment services), oil services, transportation, retail and hospitality. Mr. Zahra is also chairman of the board of directors of Forestals Investments Ltd. and of Multi Risk Ltd. and chairman of the audit committee of Corinthia Palace Hotel Co. Ltd., Medserv plc and member of the audit committee of United Finance plc. He also serves as chairman of the investment committee of Pendergardens Developments plc and of Multi Risk Indemnity Ltd. and is a member of the investment committee of Chasophie Group Limited. Mr. Zahra was director of the Central Bank of Malta from 1992 to 1996 and served as executive chairman of Bank of Valletta Plc from 1998 to 2004, Maltacom Plc in 2003 and Middlesea Insurance Plc from 2010 to 2012. Mr. Zahra was appointed as one of the five international auditors at the Prefettura per gli Affari Economici of the Holy See from 2010 to 2014 and was the president of the economic and administrative reform commission (COSEA) from 2013 to 2014 as well as the vice coordinator of the newly formed Council for the Economy of the Holy See since 2014.

2. DEPARTURE OF DIRECTOR

On November 15, 2016, Dr. Lorenzo Rossi di Montelera, the Company's Chairman of the Board, advised the Company that he will be retiring from the Company's Board of Directors as a (i) director of the Company and (ii) Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Company, each effective as of December 31, 2016, following 23 years as Chairman of the Board of the Company. The Company's Board of Directors has appointed Niccolò Rossi di Montelera, Dr. Lorenzo Rossi di Montelera's son, as Executive Chairman to succeed Dr. Lorenzo Rossi di Montelera, effective January 1, 2017.

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.

BIRKS GROUP INC.

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Miranda Melfi
Miranda Melfi
*Vice President, Legal Affairs and Corporate
Secretary*

Date: November 18, 2016