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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

14 November 2017

Commission File Number: 001-10691

DIAGEO plc

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Lakeside Drive, Park Royal, London NW10 7HQ (Address of principal executive offices)

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Diageo launches and prices 0.000% 3 year and 0.500% long 6 year fixed rate Euro denominated bonds

Diageo, the world's leading premium drinks business, has launched and priced €1.275 billion fixed rate Euro denominated bonds under its European Debt Issuance Programme. The issuer of the bonds will be Diageo Finance plc, with payment of principal and interest fully guaranteed by Diageo plc. The issue consists of €775 million bonds due November 2020 with a coupon of 0.000% and €500 million bonds due June 2024 with a coupon of 0.500%. Proceeds from this issuance will be used for general corporate purposes.

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### SIGNATURE

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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.

Diageo plc (Registrant)

Date: 14 November 2017 By: /s/John Nicholls

Name: John Nicholls

Title: Deputy Company Secretary