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July 20, 2004

UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K  
CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): July 19, 2004

Orthofix International N.V.  
(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Netherlands Antilles (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	0-19961 Commission File Number	N/A (I.R.S. Employer Identification Number)
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7 Abraham de Veerstraat  
Curacao  
Netherlands Antilles  
011-59-99-465-8525  
(Address of principal executive offices and telephone number,  
including area code)

Item 12. Results of Operations and Financial Condition.  
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The following information is furnished pursuant to Item 12, "Results of Operations and Financial Condition." On July 19, 2004, Orthofix International N.V. ("Orthofix") issued a press release announcing, among other things, its preliminary results of operations for the second quarter ended June 30, 2004. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Exhibit

99.1 Press release of Orthofix International N.V. dated July 19, 2004

SIGNATURE

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

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Dated: July 19, 2004

ORTHOFIX INTERNATIONAL N.V.

By: /S/ THOMAS HEIN

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Name: Thomas Hein

Title: Chief Financial Officer