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## FORM 6-K

### REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of  
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of October 2005

## National Australia Bank Limited

ACN 004 044 937

(Registrant's Name)

Level 24

500 Bourke Street

MELBOURNE VICTORIA 3000

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Yes

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**Group Corporate Affairs**

National Australia  
Bank Limited  
ABN 12004044937

500 Bourke Street  
Melbourne  
Victoria 3000  
Australia

**ASX Announcement**

*Melbourne, Tuesday 18 October 2005*

**Ian MacDonald to retire**

National Australia Bank Group Chief Information Officer Ian MacDonald has decided to retire in 2006 after a 34-year career with the Group.

Ian was appointed Group Chief Information Officer in August 2004. Prior to this he was Executive General Manager, Financial Services Australia.

Ian also held key roles for the National in the United Kingdom. During his time in the United Kingdom Ian was Head of Retail Services with Clydesdale Bank and was Chief Operating Officer for Yorkshire Bank.

National Australia Bank Managing Director and Group Chief Executive Officer, John Stewart said: I would like to thank Ian for the leadership he has shown throughout his career with the National. I wish him the very best for the future.

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**Group and Regional websites:**

**ASX Announcements and Group information ([www.nabgroup.com](http://www.nabgroup.com))**

**Australian operations ([www.national.com.au](http://www.national.com.au))**

**Clydesdale Bank ([www.cbonline.co.uk](http://www.cbonline.co.uk))**

**Yorkshire Bank ([www.ybonline.co.uk](http://www.ybonline.co.uk))**

**Bank of New Zealand ([www.bnz.co.nz](http://www.bnz.co.nz))**

**Institutional Markets & Services ([www.nabmarkets.com](http://www.nabmarkets.com))**

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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 authorised.

**NATIONAL AUSTRALIA BANK LIMITED**

***Brendan T Case***  
Title: *Company Secretary*

Date: 18 October 2005