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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Issuer

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

For the month of June 2004 23 June 2004

BRITISH SKY BROADCASTING GROUP PLC (Name of Registrant)

Grant Way, Isleworth, Middlesex, TW7 5QD England (Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant $\,$ files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F $\,$

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Yes No X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2 (b): Not Applicable

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EXHIBIT NO.1 Press release of British Sky Broadcasting Group plc announcing 'Board Appointment' released on 23 June 2004

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British Sky Broadcasting Group plc (BSkyB) appoints Jeremy Darroch to CFO position

British Sky Broadcasting Group plc ("BSkyB") announced today the appointment of Jeremy Darroch as its new Chief Financial Officer. Mr Darroch will join the company at a date to be confirmed from Dixons Group plc where he is currently Group Finance Director. He will join the BSkyB Board upon taking up the post.

Mr Darroch will replace Martin Stewart who will continue in his post until 4th August 2004, as previously announced on 4th February 2004.

Mr Darroch (41) joined Dixons in January 2000 as Retail Finance Director, rising to the position of Group Finance Director in February 2002. Prior to Dixons, he spent 12 years at Procter & Gamble in a variety of roles in the UK and Europe, latterly as European Finance Director for their Health Care businesses.

Mr Darroch is a qualified Chartered Accountant.

James Murdoch, Chief Executive of BSkyB, said: "We are delighted to welcome someone of Jeremy's calibre to BSkyB. He has a strong track record in a highly competitive industry and his experience in operating in consumer-facing enterprises will be very valuable as BSkyB grows its business for the future."

Jeremy Darroch said: "I am very pleased to be joining BSkyB at such an exciting time in the company's development. I have followed the progress at the company closely over the past few years and look forward to joining a strong team."

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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.

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Date: 23 June 2004 By: /s/ Dave Gormley Dave Gormley

Company Secretary