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August 07, 2003

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 August, 2003

SPIRENT plc

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Spirent House, Crawley Business Quarter, Fleming Way, Crawley,
West Sussex RH10 9QL, UK.

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover 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): 82- _____

SCHEDULE 10

NOTIFICATION OF MAJOR INTERESTS IN SHARES

1. Name of company
SPIRENT PLC

2. Name of shareholder having a major interest
FMR CORP. AND FIDELITY INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

3. Please state whether notification indicates that it is in respect of holding of the shareholder named in 2 above or in respect of a non-beneficial interest or in the case of an individual holder if it is a holding of that person's spouse or children under the age of 18
COMPANIES NAMED IN BOX 2 ABOVE AND THEIR DIRECT AND INDIRECT SUBSIDIARIES, BEING NON-BENEFICIAL HOLDERS

4. Name of the registered holder(s) and, if more than one holder, the number of shares held by each of them
STATE STREET BANK & TRUST (FMTC) 27,500
STATE STREET NOMINEES LTD (FMTC) 58,000

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BROWN BROTHERS HARRIMAN (FMTC)	38,100
MSCO (FMTC)	500,000
CHASE MANHATTAN BANK LONDON (FISL)	2,957,956
HSBC (FPM)	557,800
CHASE NOMINEES LTD (FPM)	6,372,396
NORTHERN TRUST (FPM)	1,848,500
CHASE MANHATTAN BANK LONDON (FIL)	1,423,628
BANK OF NEW YORK BRUSSELS (FIL)	1,212,500
NORTHERN TRUST (FIL)	4,182,021
CHASE NOMINEES LTD (FIL)	9,285,640
BANK OF NEW YORK LONDON (FIL)	1,445,166
NORTRUST NOMINEES LTD (FIL)	2,827,500
STATE STREET BANK & TRUST (FIL)	263,900
HSBC CLIENT HOLDINGS NOMINEE (UK) LIMITED (FIL)	31,479,200
JP MORGAN (FIL)	181,600
DEUTCHE BANK (FIL)	198,100
MELLON NOMINEES LTD (FIL)	187,000

5. Number of shares / amount of stock acquired

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6. Percentage of issued class

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7. Number of shares / amount of stock disposed

7,428,336

8. Percentage of issued class

0.79%

9. Class of security

ORDINARY SHARES OF 3.3333 PENCE EACH

10. Date of transaction

NOT NOTIFIED

11. Date company informed

07 AUGUST 2003

12. Total holding following this notification

65,046,507

13. Total percentage holding of issued class following this notification

6.90%

14. Any additional information

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15. Name of contact and telephone number for queries

LUKE THOMAS - 01293 767658

16. Name and signature of authorised company official responsible for making this notification

LUKE THOMAS - DEPUTY COMPANY SECRETARY

Date of notification

07 AUGUST 2003

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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.

____LUKE THOMAS____

(Registrant)

Date__7 August 2003__

By ____/s/ Luke Thomas__

(Signature)*