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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 UNDER

THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT 1934

For the month of October, 2004

COLES MYER LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

### 800 TOORAK ROAD, TOORONGA, VICTORIA, AUSTRALIA

(Address of principal executive offices)

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Form 20-F <u>X</u> Form 40-F
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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 authorised.

COLES MYER LTD.

(Registrant)

By /s/ R F BENNETT

(Signature)

ROBERT F BENNETT

COMPANY SECRETARIAT MANAGER

Date October 26, 2004

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**News Release** 

Tuesday, 26 October 2004

#### ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING ALH

CMM Hotel & Retail Investments Pty Ltd (CMM) - a joint venture between Coles Myer Ltd (CML) and Macquarie Bank Limited (MBL) - today decided not to increase its offer for ALH shares.

CML CEO John Fletcher said that CMM's offer of \$3.75 represented a responsible proposal from both a strategic and financial perspective for CML shareholders.

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"Our joint venture proposal was considered and disciplined, giving us the strategic assets we sought for a relatively moderate investment," Mr Fletcher said.

"In our view, a greater offer would not be in the best interest of CML's shareholders.

"Therefore, we will pursue other opportunities which will both grow our liquor business and provide good returns for shareholders."

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