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Form 8-K  
February 16, 2005

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

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FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT  
Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
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Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): February 10, 2005

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 N/A  
(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 011-59-99-465-8525  
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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Principal Officers; Election of Directors;  
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Appointment of Principal Officers.  
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On February 16, 2005, Orthofix International N.V. issued a press release announcing the retirement of Mr. Erik Hartsuiker and Mr. Alberto C. d'Abreu de Paulo from its Board of Directors (the "Board") and the appointment of Mr. Stefan Widensohler to the Board. The resignations of Mr. Hartsuiker and Mr. d'Abreu de Paulo are effective as of February 10 and February 11, 2005, respectively. The appointment of Mr. Widensohler is effective as of February 10, 2005. Mr. Widensohler has also been appointed to serve as a member of the Compensation Committee, the Nominating Committee and the ad hoc International Committee of the Board. A copy of the press release is attached hereto as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated by reference herein.

Item 9.01 Financial Statement and Exhibits.

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(c) Exhibits

99.1 Press release of Orthofix International N.V. dated February 16, 2005.

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.

Dated: February 16, 2005

ORTHOFIX INTERNATIONAL N.V.

By: /s/ Thomas Hein

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Name: Thomas Hein  
Title: Chief Financial Officer