

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

FORM 3

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person*

AIF II, L.P

(Last) (First) (Middle)

c/o Apollo Advisors, L.P.
2 Manhattanville Road

(Street)

Purchase NY 10577

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)

09/01/99

3. IRS or Social Security Number of Reporting Person (Voluntary)

4. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Brooke Group Ltd.

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

Director X 10% Owner

Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)

6. If Amendment, Date of Original (Month/Day/Year)

7. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person

Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I -- Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b) (v).

Table II -- Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date				
Warrant	3/3/98	3/2/03	Common Stock	1,120,000(1) \$5.00	D	
Warrant	11/1/99	10/31/04	Common Stock	1,204,000(1) \$0.10	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1 Amount reported does not include Warrants beneficially owned by Lion Advisors, L.P. that are exercisable for 1,826,000 shares of Common Stock of Brooke Group Ltd. (the "Issuer"). Apollo Advisors, L.P. ("Advisors") is the general partner of the Reporting Person. Apollo Capital Management, Inc. ("Management") is the general partner of Advisors. Leon D. Black and John J. Hannan are the directors and principal executive officers of Management. The Reporting Person, Advisors, Management and Messrs. Black and Hannan and their respective affiliates disclaim beneficial ownership of all shares of the Issuer in excess of their respective pecuniary interests, if any, and this report shall not be deemed an admission that any such person or entity is the beneficial owner of, or has any pecuniary interest in, any such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose. The foregoing does not include any adjustments for the declaration or payment by the Issuer of a 5% stock dividend on September 30, 1999 to holders of record on September 24, 1999.

AIF II, L.P.
By: Apollo Advisors, L.P., its
 general partner
By: Apollo Capital Management, Inc.,
 its general partner

/s/ Michael D. Weiner

September 30, 1999

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

**Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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