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June 01, 2004

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 June, 2004  
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Commission File Number: 001-13196  
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DESC, S.A. DE C.V.  
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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

PASEO DE LOS TAMARINDOS 400-B, BOSQUES DE LAS LOMAS, 05120 MEXICO, D.F., MEXICO  
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(Address of principal executive office)

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

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

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Form, the registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the  
Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.  
Yes  No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in  
connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-\_\_\_\_\_

The following is included in this report on Form 6-K:

Item  
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1. Press Release of the Registrant, dated June 1, 2004, announcing  
prepayment of debt.

[DESC LOGO]

DESC PREPAYS DEBT

(NYSE: DES; BMV: DESC)

Mexico City, June 1, 2004 - DESC, S.A. de C.V. (NYSE: DES; BMV: DESC) announced today that as a result of the capital increase approved at the Annual Shareholders' Meeting held on March 8, 2004, and given the cash flow generated by the operation, the Company will prepay US\$256 million of its debt. This prepayment reduces Desc's net debt by approximately 23% leaving a balance to date of US\$757 million.

The prepayment is being applied in the following manner: US\$162 million towards long-term bank credits, US\$20 million towards the revolving bank credit line ( both of which form part of the syndicated credit restructured last December) and US\$74 million towards Desc's dollar-denominated bond with a coupon rate of 8.75% and maturing in October 2007.

These measures reflect the Company's commitment to improve its financial situation by reducing debt, optimizing its weighted average cost of debt, improving financial indicators and positioning itself to recover its profitability levels.

Dollars figures are estimates.

DESC, S.A. de C.V. (NYSE: DES; BMV: DESC) is one of the largest industrial groups in Mexico, with 2003 sales of approximately US\$ 2 billion and nearly 14,000 employees, which through its subsidiaries is a leader in the Automobile Parts, Chemical, Food and Property sectors.

This press release contains forward-looking statements (pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995) which reflect the current opinions of DESC's management regarding future events. The words "anticipate," "believe," "expect," "hope," "have the intention of," "might," "plan," "should" and similar expressions generally indicate comments on expectations. These comments are subject to risks, uncertainties and changing circumstances. The final results may be materially different from current expectations due to several factors, which include, but are not limited to, global and local changes in politics, the economy, business, competition, market and regulatory factors, cyclical trends in the automobile parts and chemical sectors; as well as other factors that are highlighted under the title "Risk Factors" on the annual Form 20F report submitted by DESC to the US Securities and Exchange Commission. DESC has no obligation whatsoever to update these comments on expectations. Any comment on expectations is valid only on the date on which it is made.

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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.

Desc, S.A. de C.V.  
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(Registrant)

Date: June 1, 2004  
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By /s/ Arturo D'Acosta Ruiz  
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(Signature)

Name: Arturo D'Acosta Ruiz  
Title: Chief Financial Officer