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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section 30(f) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Name and Address of Reporting Person\* The Limited, Inc. (First) (Middle) (Last)

> Three Limited Parkway (Street)

Columbus Ohio 43216 (City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

Abercrombie & Fitch Co. (ANF)

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

31-1029810

4. Statement for Month/Year

April 1998

- 5. If Amendment Date of Original (Month/Year)
- 6. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)

Director X 10% Owner

Officer (give Other (specify title below) below)

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 Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3) 2. Trans-3. Trans-

action action Date Code (Instr. 8)

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4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A or

(D)

Securities Beneficially Owned at End of Month (Inst. 3

and 4)

6. Owner-7. Nature ship Form: Direct (D) or Ìndirect

(I)

(D)

of Indirect Beneficial Ownership

Class A Common Stock

Year) Code

(Month/

Day/

4/14/98

Amount

600,000

(D) Price

\$43.125

43,600,000

(Instr. 4) (Instr.4)

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

4(b)(v).

FORM 4 (continued)Table II--Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Deriva- 2. Conver- 3. Trans- 4. Trans- 5. Number of 6. Date 7. Title and 8. Price 9. Number 10. Owner- 11. Nature Exertive Security sion or action action Deriva-Amount of Deriv-(Instr. 3) Exer-Date Code tive cisable of Underrivative Form Incise (Month/ (Instr. Securiand lying ative Securof Dedirect rivative Price Day/ 8) ties Expira-Securi-Security ities Benefiof Acquired Year) tion ties (Instri. Bene-Securcial Deri-(A) or Date (Instr. ficially ity: Owner-5) vative Disposed (Month/ 3 and Direct(D) 0wned ship Securof (D) Day/ 4) at End or In-(Instr. of Month direct.(I) 4) ity (Instr. Year) 3, 4 and (Instr. (Instr. 5) 4) 4)

> Amount or Number of

Exer- ration of Code V (A) (D) cisable Date Title Shares

Expir-

Date

None.

## Explanation of Responses:

- (1) The reporting person acquired the Class A Common Stock in exchange for cancellation of certain debt owed by the issuer to the reporting person.
- \*\* Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

Note: File three copies of this Form, one of which must be manually signed. If space provided is insufficient, see Instruction 6 for procedure.

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By: /s/ Kenneth B. Gilman May 7, 1998

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person Date

Vice Chairman & Chief Administrative Officer, on behalf of The Limited,  ${\sf Inc.}$ 

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