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> SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON D.C. 20549

> > FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

October 23, 2001

VIVENDI UNIVERSAL

42, AVENUE DE FRIEDLAND 75008 PARIS FRANCE (ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES)

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Yes

No X

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Contents: Press Release.

EXHIBIT LIST

Exhibit Description

99.1 Press Release.

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.

VIVENDI UNIVERSAL

By: /s/ George E. Bushnell III Name: George E. Bushnell III Title: Vice President

Date: October 24, 2001