

ING GROEP NV  
Form 6-K  
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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
**Washington, DC 20549**

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**FORM 6-K**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16  
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For January 4, 2005

**ING Groep N.V.**  
Amstelveenseweg 500  
1081-KL Amsterdam  
The Netherlands

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Yes  No

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This Report contains a copy of the following:

- (1) The Press Release issued on January 4, 2005

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**ING completes transaction with Scottish Re on life reinsurance business in the U.S.**

ING has finalised the transaction with Scottish Re on its life reinsurance business in the United States of America. On 18 October 2004, ING Group announced it decided to exit the individual life reinsurance business in the U.S. as part of its ongoing strategy to focus on core businesses. As a result, ING signed a co-insurance agreement with Scottish Re.

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**SIGNATURE**

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.

ING Groep N.V.  
(Registrant)

By: /s/ H. van Barneveld  
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Dated: January 4, 2005

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