UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

NAME OF ISSUER Office Depot Inc.

TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES Common

CUSIP NUMBER 676220106

The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which would alter the disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act (however, see the Notes).

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	Name of reporting person S.S. or I.R.S. identification no. of above	
	Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. 36-2668272	
	Check the appropriate box if a member of a (a)() (b)()	a group*
3.	SEC use only	
	Citizenship or place of organization	
	Delaware	
	Power	5. Sole Voting

	NONE					
Number of shares Beneficially) Owned by each) NONE) 6. Shared Voting Power					
Reporting) Person with:) 7. Sole Dispositive Power					
	8. Shared Dispositive Power					
	NONE					
9. Aggregate amount beneficially NONE						
10. Check box if the aggregate certain shares*	amount in row (9) excludes					
11. Percent of class represented by amount in row 9						
NONE						
12. Type of Reporting person*						
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1. Name of reporting person S.S. or I.R.S. identification no. of above person						
Putnam Investments, Inc. 04-2539558						
<pre>2. Check the appropriate box if a (a)() (b)()</pre>	a member of a group*					
3. SEC use only						
4. Citizenship or place of or	ganization					
Massachusetts						
	5. Sole Voting Power					
	NONE					
Number of shares)						
Beneficially owned by each)) 6. Shared Voting Power 781,467					
Reporting) Person with:)						
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	Dispositive Power					
	NONE					
	8. Shared					

	21, 257, 889						
9.	21,257,889	y owned by each reporting person					
10.	10. Check box if the aggregate amount in row (9) excludes certain shares*						
11. Percent of class represented by amount in row 9 8.8%							
12.	Type of Reporting person* HC						
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1.	S.S. or I.R.S. identifica						
	Putnam Investment Managem 04-2471937	ent, Inc.					
2.	Check the appropriate box (a)() (b)()	if a member of a group*					
3.	SEC use only						
4. Citizenship or place of organization							
	Massachusetts						
		5. Sole Voting Power NONE					
 Benef: Owned Report	er of shares) ficially d by each) rting)) 6. Shared Voting Power NONE					
	on with:)	7. Sole Dispositive Power NONE					
		8. Shared Dispositive Power 19,431,664					
9.	Aggregate amount benefici 19,431,664	ally owned by each reporting person					
 10.		e amount in row (9) excludes					

11. Percent of class represented by amount in row 9 8.1% - ----------12. Type of Reporting person* IA -----13G CUSIP No. 676220106 Page 5 of 10 Pages - ------ --------1. Name of reporting person S.S. or I.R.S. identification no. of above person The Putnam Advisory Company, Inc. 04-6187127 - ------2. Check the appropriate box if a member of a group* (a)() (b)() -----. 3. SEC use only -----Citizenship or place of organization 4. Massachusetts _____ - - - - - - - - - - -5. Sole Voting Power NONE shares) Number of Beneficially) 6. Shared Voting Power Owned by each) Reporting 781,467) Person with: -----) 7. Sole Dispositive Power NONE 8. Shared Dispositive Power 1,826,226 ------ -------- --------9. Aggregate amount beneficially owned by each reporting person 1,826,226 _____ 10. Check box if the aggregate amount in row (9) excludes certain shares* 11. Percent of class represented by amount in row 9 0.8% - -----_ _ _ _ _ _ _ _ . 12. Type of Reporting person* IA _____ _ _ _ _ _ _ SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (Amendment No. 1)

- Item 1(a) Name of Issuer: Office Depot Inc. Item 1(b) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices: 2200 Old Germantown Road, Delray Beach, FL 33445, Item 2(a) Item 2(b) Name of Person Filing: Address or Principal Office or, if NONE, Residence: One Post Office Square Putnam Investments, Inc. ("PI") Boston, Massachusetts 02109 on behalf of itself and: *Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc. 1166 Avenue of the Americas ("MMC") New York, NY 10036 Putnam Investment Management, Inc. One Post Office Square ("PIM") Boston, Massachusetts 02109 One Post Office Square The Putnam Advisory Company, Inc.
- Item 2(c) Citizenship: PI, PIM and PAC are corporations organized under Massachusetts law. The citizenship of other persons identified in Item 2(a) is designated as follows:
 - Corporation Delaware law
 ** Voluntary association known as
 Massachusetts business trust Massachusetts law

Boston, Massachusetts 02109

- Item 2(d) Title of Class of Securities: Common
- Item 2(e) Cusip Number: 676220106

("PAC")

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- Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or 13d-2(b), check whether the person filing is a:
- (a)() Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act
- (b)() Bank as defined in Section 3(a)(6) of the Act
- (d)() Investment Company registered under Section 8 of the Investment Company Act
- (e)(X) Investment Adviser registered under Section 203 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940
- (f)() Employee Benefit Plan, Pension Fund which is subject to the provisions of the Employee Retirement Income Security Act of 1974 or Endowment Fund; see (Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(F)

(g)(X) Parent Holding Company, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(ii)(G)

(h)() Group, in accordance with Section 240.13d-1(b)(1)(ii)(H)

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Item 4. Ownership.

	M&MC		С	PIM*		PAC		PI	
		(Parent company		& su	(Investme bsidiaries				(Parent company IM and PAC)
(a)	Amount Beneficially Owned:	NON	E	19,4	31,664	+	1,826,226	=	21,257,889
(b)	Percent of Class:		NONE		8.1%	+	0.8%	=	8.8%
(c)	Number of shares as to which such persor	n has:							
(1)	sole power to vote or to direct the vot (but see Item 7)	ze;	NONE		NONE		NONE		NONE
(2)	shared power to vote or to direct the vot (but see Item 7)		NONE		NONE		781,467		781,467
(3)	sole power to dispos or to direct the disposition of; (but see Item 7)	se	NONE		NONE		NONE		NONE
(4)	shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of; (but see Item 7)	:	NONE		ALL		ALL		ALL

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Item 5. Ownership of Five Percent or Less of a Class.

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date thereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following ().

Item 6. Ownership of More than Five/Ten Percent on Behalf of Another Person:

No persons other than the persons filing this Schedule 13G have an economic interest in the securities reported on which relates to more than five percent of the class of securities. Securities reported on this Schedule 13G as being beneficially owned by M&MC and PI consist of securities beneficially owned by subsidiaries of PI which are registered investment advisers, which in turn include securities beneficially owned by clients of such investment advisers, which clients may include investment companies registered under the Investment Company Act and/or employee benefit plans, pension funds, endowment funds or other institutional clients.

Item 7. Identification and Classification of the Subsidiary Which Acquired the Security Being Reported on By the Parent Holding Company.

PI, which is a wholly-owned subsidiary of M&MC, wholly owns

two registered investment advisers: Putnam Investment Management, Inc., which is the investment adviser to the Putnam family of mutual funds and The Putnam Advisory Company, Inc., which is the investment adviser to Putnam's institutional clients. Both subsidiaries have dispository power over the shares as investment managers, but each of the mutual fund's trustees have voting power over the shares held by each fund, and The Putnam Advisory Company, Inc. has shared voting power over the shares held by the institutional clients. Pursuant to Rule 13d-4, M&MC and PI declare that the filing of this Schedule 13G shall not be deemed an admission by either or both of them that they are, for the purposes of Section 13(d) or 13(g) the beneficial owner of any securities covered by this Section 13G, and further state that neither of them have any power to vote or dispose of, or direct the voting or disposition of, any of the securities covered by this Schedule 13G.

Item 8. Identification and Classification of Members of the Group:

Not applicable.

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group:

Not applicable.

Item 10. Certification.

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By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired in the ordinary course of business, were not acquired for the purpose of and do not have the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of such securities and were not acquired in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having such purposes or effect.

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

PUTNAM INVESTMENTS, INC.

/s/Frederick S. Marius

BY: -----

Signature

Name/Title: Frederick S. Marius Vice President and Counsel

Date: January 26, 1999

For this and all future filings, reference is made to Power of Attorney dated November 9, 1992, with respect to duly authorized signatures on behalf of Marsh & McLennan Companies, Inc., Putnam Investments, Inc., Putnam Investment Management, Inc., The Putnam Advisory Company, Inc. and any Putnam Fund wherever applicable.

For this and all future filings, reference is made to an Agreement dated June 28, 1990, with respect to one filing of Schedule 13G on behalf of said entities, pursuant to Rule 13d-1(f)(1).