

**BRITISH AMERICAN TOBACCO P.L.C.**  
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**STANDARD BANK OF SOUTH AFRICA LTD**

**FORM SC 13D**  
(Statement of Beneficial Ownership)

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

## Washington, D.C. 20549

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### SCHEDULE 13D

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

**British American Tobacco p.l.c.**

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(Name of Issuer)

**Ordinary Shares**

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(Title of Class of Securities)

**GB0002875804**

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(CUSIP Number)

**Samira Rajaram**  
**30 Baker Street, Rosebank**  
**Johannesburg, T3, 2196**  
**27114154465**

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(Name, Address and Telephone Number of Person Authorized to Receive Notices and Communications)

**08/26/2025**

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(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of This Statement)

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If the filing person has previously filed a statement on Schedule 13G to report the acquisition that is the subject of this Schedule 13D, and is filing this schedule because of §§ 240.13d-1(e), 240.13d-1(f) or 240.13d-1(g), check the following box. ☐

The information required on 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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| <b>CUSIP No.</b> GB0002875804 |
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| 1 | Name of reporting person<br><b>STANDARD BANK OF SOUTH AFRICA LTD</b> |
|   | Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group (See Instructions)  |

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| 2                                                                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (a)<br><input type="checkbox"/> (b)                                          |                                        |
| 3                                                                  | SEC use only                                                                                                     |                                        |
| 4                                                                  | Source of funds (See Instructions)<br>PF, OO                                                                     |                                        |
| 5                                                                  | Check if disclosure of legal proceedings is required pursuant to Items 2(d) or 2(e)<br><input type="checkbox"/>  |                                        |
| 6                                                                  | Citizenship or place of organization<br>SOUTH AFRICA                                                             |                                        |
| Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With: | 7                                                                                                                | Sole Voting Power: 132,926,664.00      |
|                                                                    | 8                                                                                                                | Shared Voting Power: 0.00              |
|                                                                    | 9                                                                                                                | Sole Dispositive Power: 132,926,664.00 |
|                                                                    | 10                                                                                                               | Shared Dispositive Power: 0.00         |
| 11                                                                 | Aggregate amount beneficially owned by each reporting person<br>132,926,664.00                                   |                                        |
| 12                                                                 | Check if the aggregate amount in Row (11) excludes certain shares (See Instructions)<br><input type="checkbox"/> |                                        |
| 13                                                                 | Percent of class represented by amount in Row (11)<br>6.1 %                                                      |                                        |
| 14                                                                 | Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions)<br>BD, IA, IV, BK                                                    |                                        |

**Comment for Type of Reporting Person:** Standard Bank is a licensed bank and Financial Service provider in South Africa. SBG Securities (Pty) Ltd is a subsidiary of the Standard Bank Group and is the equity broker for the group and has a membership with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange (JSE) and A2X exchange in South Africa.

## SCHEDULE 13D

### Item 1. Security and Issuer

(a) Title of Class of Securities:

Ordinary Shares

(b) Name of Issuer:

British American Tobacco p.l.c.

(c) Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

GLOBE HOUSE, 4 TEMPLE PLACE, LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM , SW1V 1PN.

**Item 1 Comment:** Standard Bank is a licensed bank and Financial Service provider in South Africa. SBG Securities Pty Ltd is a subsidiary of the Standard Bank Group and is the equity broker for the group and has a membership with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange and A2X exchange in South Africa. As part of the Group and subsidiaries trading. As part of the Groups trading, investment and hedging strategies, it may hold equity positions from time to time.

### Item 2. Identity and Background

- (a) Name: Standard Bank Group  
Entity Type: Publicly listed Company
- (b) Address: 30 Baker Street, Rosebank, Johannesburg 2196
- (c) Standard Bank is a licensed bank and Financial Service provider in South Africa. SBG Securities Pty Ltd is a subsidiary of the Standard Bank Group and is the equity broker for the group and has a membership with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange and A2X exchange in South Africa. As part of the Groups trading, investment and hedging strategies, it may hold equity positions from time to time.
- (d) No
- (e) No
- (f) South Africa

**Item 3. Source and Amount of Funds or Other Consideration**

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**Item 4. Purpose of Transaction**

Standard Bank is a licensed bank and Financial Service provider in South Africa. SBG Securities Pty Ltd is a subsidiary of the Standard Bank Group and is the equity broker for the group and has a membership with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange and A2X exchange in South Africa. As part of the Groups trading, investment and hedging strategies, it may hold equity positions from time to time.

**Item 5. Interest in Securities of the Issuer**

- (a) Aggregate Number: 132,926,664  
Percentage: 6.1%
- (b) Number of shares = 132,926,664
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- (d) Standard Bank is a licensed bank and Financial Service provider in South Africa and is a public company listed on the Johannesburg Stock Exchange.
- (e) N/A

**Item 6. Contracts, Arrangements, Understandings or Relationships With Respect to Securities of the Issuer**

Standard Bank is a licensed bank and Financial Service provider in South Africa. SBG Securities Pty Ltd is a subsidiary of the Standard Bank Group and is the equity broker for the group and has a membership with the Johannesburg Stock Exchange and A2X exchange in South Africa. As part of the Groups trading, investment and hedging strategies, it may hold equity positions from time to time.

**Item 7. Material to be Filed as Exhibits.**

Not Applicable

**SIGNATURE**

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.

**STANDARD BANK OF SOUTH AFRICA LTD**

Signature: S Rajaram  
Name/Title: Samira Rajaram - Compliance Officer  
Date: 08/28/2025