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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

SCHEDULE 13G

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

Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated

(Name of Issuer)

Voting Common Stock, \$.01 par value
(Title of Class of Securities)

871237-10-3
(CUSIP Number)

* 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 disclosures provided in a prior cover page.

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1 NAME OF REPORTING PERSON
S.S. OR I.R.S. IDENTIFICATION NO. OF ABOVE PERSON

John H. Sykes

2 CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX IF A MEMBER OF A GROUP*

(a) []

Not applicable

(b) []

3 SEC USE ONLY

4 CITIZENSHIP OR PLACE OF ORGANIZATION

United States of America

5 SOLE VOTING POWER
NUMBER OF

SHARES

12,507,767 shares

BENEFICIALLY

OWNED BY

EACH

6 SHARED VOTING POWER
REPORTING

PERSON

0 shares

WITH

7 SOLE DISPOSITIVE POWER
12,507,767 shares

8 SHARED DISPOSITIVE POWER
0 shares

9 AGGREGATE AMOUNT BENEFICIALLY OWNED BY EACH REPORTING PERSON

12,507,767 shares

10 CHECK BOX IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT IN ROW (9) EXCLUDES CERTAIN
SHARES*

[]

Not applicable

11 PERCENT OF CLASS REPRESENTED BY AMOUNT IN ROW (9)

57.1%

12 TYPE OF REPORTING PERSON*

IN

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INCLUDE BOTH SIDES OF THE COVER PAGE, RESPONSES TO ITEMS 1-7
(INCLUDING EXHIBITS) OF THE SCHEDULE, AND THE SIGNATURE ATTESTATION.**

Item 1(a). Name of Issuer:

Sykes Enterprises, Incorporated

Item 1(b). Address of Issuer's Principal Executive Offices:

100 North Tampa Street, Suite 3900
Tampa, Florida 33602

Item 2(a). Name of Person Filing:

John H. Sykes

**Item 2(b). Address of Principal Business Office or, if none,
Residence:**

100 North Tampa Street, Suite 3900
Tampa, Florida 33602

Item 2(c). Citizenship:

United States of America

Item 2(d). Title of Class or Securities:

Voting Common Stock, \$.01 par value

Item 2(e). CUSIP Number:

871237-10-3

**Item 3. If this statement is filed pursuant to Rules 13d-1(b), or
13d-2(b), check whether the person filing is a:**

Not applicable

Item 4. Ownership.

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:

12,507,767 shares

(b) Percent of Class:

57.1%

(c) Number of shares as to which such person has:

(i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote:

12,507,767 shares

(ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote:

0 shares

(iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

12,507,767 shares

(iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of:

0 shares

John H. Sykes is the beneficial owner of 12,507,767 shares of the common stock of Sykes Enterprises, Inc. Of such shares, 12,236,167 shares are owned by Mr. Sykes through Jopar Investments Limited Partnership, a North Carolina Limited Partnership ("Jopar"). Mr. Sykes is the sole limited partner of Jopar and owns all the outstanding capital stock of Jopar's sole general partner, Jopar Investments, Inc., a North Carolina corporation. Mr. Sykes owns the other 271,600 shares through various trusts over which Mr. Sykes retains sole voting and investment power.

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

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

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

Not applicable

Item 9. Notice of Dissolution of Group.

Not applicable

Item 10. Certification.

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.

Date

*/s/ John H. Sykes
Signature*

John H. Sykes
Name

End of Filing

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