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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of October, 2003

Commission File Number 1-15250

BANCO BRADESCO S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

BANK BRADESCO

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Cidade de Deus, s/n, Vila Yara 06029-900 - Osasco - SP Federative Republic of Brazil (Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the regist	rant files or wil	l file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.
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Cidade de Deus, Osasco, SP, October 31, 2003

To Security and Exchange Commission Office of International Corporate Finance Division of Corporate Finance Washington, DC

Gentlemen,

Banco Bradesco S.A., in compliance with CVM Instruction # 358 of January 3, 2002, announces to its shareholders, clients and the market in general that on October 30, 2003, it signed with Rexam PLC, a society under the laws of England and Wales, and its indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary, Rexam do Brasil Ltda., Corporate Tax ID (CNPJ) # 00.771.979/0001-00, a Stock Purchase and Sale Agreement, concerning the sale of the stock interest that Bradesco owned in the equity of Latasa S.A.

The transaction comprises the sale of 18,982,243 nominative book-entry stocks, with no par value, which represent approximately 39.8% of Latasa s total capital.

Morgan Stanley Dean Witter advised Bradesco in this transaction.

Cordially,

Banco Bradesco S.A. José Luiz Acar Pedro Executive Vice President and Investor Relations Director

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.

Date: October 31, 2003

BANCO BRADESCO S.A.

By: /s/ José Luiz Acar Pedro

José Luiz Acar Pedro Executive Vice President and Investor Relations Director

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