

BANK BRADESCO  
Form 6-K  
February 17, 2004

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

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**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 February, 2004**

**Commission File Number 1-15250**

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**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 registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes  No

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Osasco, São Paulo, Brazil, February 16th, 2004.

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

Gentlemen,

Banco Bradesco S.A. ( Bradesco ) informs the market that, upon the completion of the due diligence and the transaction approval by the Brazilian Central Bank, signed on this date, with the controlling stockholders of Banco Zogbi S.A., through Banco Finasa S.A. ( Finasa ), its wholly-owned subsidiary, the documents, which formalize the conclusion of the stock control transferring process of Banco Zogbi S.A. and the companies Promosec Companhia Securitizadora de Créditos Financeiros, Promovel Empreendimentos e Serviços Ltda., Zogbi Leasing S.A. Arrendamento Mercantil and Zogbi Distribuidora de Títulos e Valores Mobiliários Ltda ( Zogbi Institutions ) to Finasa, as agreed in the Private Instrument of Stock Participation Purchase and Sale and Other Covenants , firmed on November 6, 2003.

Such acquisition represents an important strategic movement for Bradesco in an industry with high-growth potential. Zogbi Institutions activities are quite complementary to the ones developed by Finasa and Banco Postal ( Postal Bank ) and their incorporation will strengthen Bradesco s performance, providing an immediate expansion in the industry in which both institutions operate all over the country, generating scale gain and maximizing the investment return for stockholders.

Additionally, Zogbi Institution s client base will give Bradesco the opportunity to enlarge the offer of its retail products such as checking accounts, insurance, private pension plans and saving bonds.

All services currently provided by Zogbi Institutions will continue to be performed as usual, and their clients will also have access to Bradesco s Customer Service Network.

Cordially,

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

