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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 August, 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)

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Osasco, São Paulo, Brazil, August 6, 2003

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

Ref.: Acquisition of Stock Issued by the Company for Resale or Cancellation

Gentlemen,

The Board of Directors of this Bank, in a meeting held on this date, pursuant to Paragraph 4 of Article 6 of the Corporate Bylaws, and in compliance with the requirements set forth in Paragraphs 1 and 2 of Article 30 of the Law 6,404/76 and the CVM (Brazilian Securities Commission) Instructions 10, 268 and 390 of February 14, 1980, November 13, 1997 and July 8, 2003, respectively, resolved to:

I) authorize the Board of Executive Officers of this Company to acquire up to 40,000,000,000 registered book-entry stock, with no par value, comprising 15,000,000,000 common stock and 25,000,000,000 preferred stock, to be maintained in treasury stock for later resale or cancellation, without decreasing the Capital Stock, it being incumbent upon the Board of Executive Officers to determine the opportunity and number of stocks to be effectively acquired, within the limits authorized and the validity term of this resolution.

For the purposes of Article 8 of CVM Instruction 10, of February 14, 1980, it is specified that:

- a) the objective of the present authorization is the application of resources available for Investment, resulting from the Profits Reserve Statutory Reserve account;
- b) valid for the period of three (3) months, as from August 7, 2003;
- c) according to the evaluation of Article 5 of CVM Instruction 10, the Bank has 966,959,229,696 outstanding stocks, comprising 241,597,474,023 common stocks and 725,361,755,673 preferred stocks;
- d) the reacquisition and/or resale operations of this stock will be undertaken at market price and will be intermediated by Bradesco S.A. Corretora de Títulos e Valores Mobiliários, with head office at Avenida Ipiranga, 282, 110 and 120 floors, São Paulo, SP.
- II) in case of cancellation of the stock acquired, it will be incumbent upon the Board of Directors to propose the approval of the said cancellation to the Stockholders Meeting, without decreasing the Capital Stock.

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: August 6, 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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