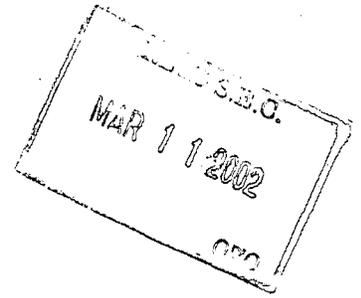


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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, DC 20549



Form 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO
RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE
ACT OF 1934**

For the month of March 2002

(Commission File No. 1-15250)

BANCO BRADESCO S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bank Bradesco

(Translation of registrant's name in English)

**Cidade de Deus, s/n, Vila Yara
06029 Osasco, SP**

**Federative Republic of Brazil
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)**

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file
annual reports under cover of 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



Bradesco

Banco Bradesco S.A.

Cidade de Deus, Osasco, SP, March 8, 2002

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

Gentlemen,

Re.: Acquisition of Stock Issued by the Company for Sale or Cancellation

We refer to the authorization granted to the Board of Executive Officers by the Board of Directors of this Bank, in Meeting n^o 807, of December 3, 2001, to acquire, during a period of three (3) months, up to 90,000,000,000 registered, book-entry shares of capital stock issued by this Company, consisting of 23,000,000,000 common and 67,000,000,000 preferred shares, for the purposes of holding such shares in treasury, for subsequent sale or cancellation, without reduction of the capital stock of the Company.

During the period in question, 2,844,800,000 common and 2,611,900,000 preferred shares were acquired, which, when added to the 1,333,800,000 common and 967,500,000 preferred shares already held in treasury, total 7,758,000,000 shares, of which 4,178,600,000 are common and 3,579,400,000 are preferred shares, which will be cancelled at the Special Meeting of Shareholders to be held together with the General Meeting of Shareholders on March 14, 2002.

Sincerely yours,

Banco Bradesco S.A.

Carlos Alberto Rodrigues Guilherme
Managing Director

SIGNATURES

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.

Banco Bradesco S.A.

Date: March 11, 2002

By: 

Name: Carlos Alberto Rodrigues Guilherme

Title: Managing Director

