
FORM 6-K
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of January, 2008

Commission File Number 001-15266

BANK OF CHILE
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Ahumada 251
Santiago, Chile
(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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Yes No

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BANCO DE CHILE
REPORT ON FORM 6-K

Attached is an English translation of a letter filed by Banco de Chile with the Chilean Superintendency of Banks, Chilean Superintendency of Securities and Insurance and local Stock Exchanges, informing the resignation of one Director and two alternate Directors, and the appointment of their replacements.

Santiago, January 8, 2008

Mr.
Gustavo Arriagada Morales
Superintendent of Banks and Financial Institutions

Subject: Essential Information

Mr. Superintendent:

In accordance with Articles 9 and 10 of the Securities Law N° 18,045 and Chapter 18-10 of the Compilations of Regulations of that Superintendency I hereby inform, as Essential Information, that at the Board of Director's meeting held on January, 8 2008, it was resolved to accept the resignation by the Director Mr. Rodrigo Manubens Moltedo, and by the alternate Directors Mr. Thomas Fürst Freiwirth and Jorge Ergas Heymann. In their positions, the Board of Directors appointed Mr. Raul Anaya Elizalde as new Director until the next Ordinary Shareholder's Meeting, Likewise, Mr. Rodrigo Manubens Moltedo was appointed as first alternate Director and Mr. Thomas Fürst Freiwirth as second alternate Director.

Additionally, Mr. Jorge Ergas Heymann was appointed as adviser of the Boards of Directors.

Sincerely,

Fernando Cañas Berkowitz
Chief Executive Officer

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: January 9, 2008

Banco de Chile

/s/ Fernando Cañas B.

By: Fernando Cañas Berkowitz
President and CEO
