

CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORP LTD
Form 6-K
February 20, 2008

**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 February 2008.

Commission File Number: 001-14550

China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

2550 Hongqiao Road
Hongqiao Airport
Shanghai, China 200335

(Address of principal executive offices)

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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.

China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited
(Registrant)

Date February 20, 2008

By: /s/ Li Fenghua

Name: Li Fenghua

Title: Chairman of the Board of Directors

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(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)
(Stock code: 670)

**MAJOR TRANSACTION
PURCHASE OF THIRTY BOEING 737 NG SERIES AIRCRAFT
EXTENSION OF TIME FOR DESPATCH OF CIRCULAR**

Reference is made to the Announcement regarding, among other things, the purchase of thirty Boeing 737 NG Series aircraft (with engines) by the Company. The Company has applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with Rule 14.38 in relation to the timing for the despatch of the Circular. The Circular is expected to be available for despatch as soon as practicable but not later than 10 April 2008.

Reference is made to the announcement of the Company on 30 January 2008 (the "**Announcement**") regarding the purchase of thirty Boeing 737 NG series aircraft (with engines) by the Company. Terms used herein shall have the same meanings as defined in the Announcement unless the context otherwise requires.

Pursuant to the Listing Rules, a circular regarding the "major transaction" as mentioned in the Announcement ("**Circular**") is required to be despatched to the Company's shareholders within 21 days after publication of the Announcement, that is, on or before 20 February 2008. However, due to the fact that the accounts department of the Company is currently heavily engaged in the preparation of the 2007 annual results of the Company and in light of the recent Chinese New Year holidays in the People's Republic of China, additional time is required to collate and finalise certain information such as an updated indebtedness statement for inclusion in the Circular. The Company has therefore applied to the Stock Exchange for a waiver from strict compliance with the requirements under Rule 14.38 of the Listing Rules in relation to the timing for the despatch of the Circular. The Directors expect that the Circular will be available for despatch as soon as practicable but not later than 10 April 2008.

By order of the board of directors of
CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORPORATION LIMITED
Luo Zhuping
Director and Company Secretary

The Company's directors, as at the date of this announcement, are:

L i (*Chairman, Non-executive Director*)
Fenghua
Li Jun (*Vice Chairman, Non-executive Director*)
C a o (*President, Executive Director*)
Jianxiong
L u o (*Non-executive Director*)
Chaogeng
L u o (*Executive Director*)
Zhuping
H u (*Independent non-executive Director*)
Honggao
Peter Lok (*Independent non-executive Director*)
W u (*Independent non-executive Director*)
Baiwang
Z h o u (*Independent non-executive Director*)
Ruijin
Xie Rong (*Independent non-executive Director*)

Shanghai, the People's Republic of China
20 February 2008
