

CENTRAL FUND OF CANADA LTD  
Form 6-K  
December 17, 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 October 31, 2008

CENTRAL FUND OF CANADA LIMITED

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(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Suite 805, 1323 - 15th Avenue S.W., Calgary, Alberta , Canada T3C 0X8

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(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F:

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

YES  NO

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): N/A

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SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

CENTRAL FUND OF CANADA LIMITED  
(Registrant)

Date December 15, 2008

By: /s/ J.C. STEFAN SPICER  
(Signature)\*  
J.C. Stefan Spicer, President & CEO

\*Print the name and title under the signature of the signing officer

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CENTRAL FUND OF CANADA LIMITED

Exhibits to Form 6-K for Annual Press Release filing on December 16, 2008

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