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FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

April 23, 2010

CHINA SOUTHERN AIRLINES COMPANY LIMITED (Translation of registrant's name into English)

278 Jichang Road Guangzhou, Guangdong 510405 People's Republic of China (Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes o No. x

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China Southern Airlines Company Limited (the "Company") published an announcement on April 23, 2010 on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange's website at: http://www.hkexnews.hk/listedco/listconews/sehk/20100423/LTN20100423517.pdf with respect to its first quarterly financial report of 2010.

An English version of the announcement is included in this Form 6-K of the Company.

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 SOUTHERN AIRLINES COMPANY LIMITED

By: /s/ Liu Wei and Xie Bing Name: Liu Wei and Xie Bing Title: Joint Company Secretaries

Date: April 23, 2010

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FIRST QUARTERLY REPORT OF 2010

Summary

The 2010 first quarterly financial report of China Southern Airlines Company Limited (the "Company") was prepared in accordance with the PRC Accounting Standards and was unaudited.

This announcement is published pursuant to Rules 13.09(1) and 13.09(2) of The Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on the Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

1	Importa	ant Notice		
1.1 The board of directors (the "Board") a supervisors and senior management statements or material omission and jo and completeness of the content herein	warrant that th wintly and several	is report does	not contain any in	accurate or misleading
1.2 All t	he Directors attended the Board meeting.			
1.3 The first quart	terly financial report of the Company is unaudited.			
1.4Mr. Si Xian Min (Chairman), Mr. T Company), Mr. Xu Jie Bo (Chief F Accounting Department and General warrant the truthfulness and completen	inancial Office Manager of the	er of the Comp e Finance Dep	pany) and Mr. Lu I artment of the Com	Hong Ye (Chief of the pany) declare that they
2	Basic particular	s of the Compa	any	
2.1 Major accounting data and financial indicators (Currency: RMB)				
	At the end of the reporting period	At the end of the previous year	Increase/decrease recorded at the end of the reporting period as compared to the end of the previous year (%)	
Total assets (million)	100,306	94,736	5.88	
Owner's equity (or shareholders' equity) (million)	11,777	10,359	13.69	
Net assets per share attributable to the shareholders of the Company	1.47	1.29	13.95	
	From the beginning of the year to the end of the reporting period (from January to March)		Increase/decrease compared to the corresponding period of the previous year (%)	
Net cash flow from operating activities (million)		1,554	-47.34	
Net cash flow per share from operating activities		0.19	-56.83	
	Reporting period (from January to	From the beginning	Increase/decrease recorded in the reporting period	

	March)	the reporting	as compared to the corresponding period of the previous year (%)
Net profit attributable to the shareholders of the Company (million)	1,419	1,419	539.19
Earnings per share – Basic	0.18	0.18	424.02
Earnings per share – Basic, after deducting non-operating profit/loss	0.17	0.17	433.44
Earnings per share – Diluted	0.18	0.18	424.02
Weighted average return on net assets (%)	12.82	12.82	increase by a percentage of 9.71
Weighted average return on net assets after deducting non-operating profit/loss (%)	12.57	12.57	increase by a percentage of 17.37

After deduction of non-operating profit/loss items (RMB million) items Gain/loss from disposal of non-current assets 16 Gain on change in fair value of financial assets and liabilities held for trading, and disposal of financial assets and liabilities held for trading and 1 available-for-sale equity securities, except gain/loss from business in relation to hedging Other net non-operating income 17 Effect of the adjustments on taxation 6 Total 28

2.2Number of shareholders and particulars of the top ten shareholders holding the Company's tradable shares not subject to selling restrictions at the end of the reporting period

Unit: Share

Total number of shareholders at the end of the reporting period

Particulars of the top ten shareholders holding the Company's tradable shares not subject to trading restrictions

Name of the shareholder (in full)

HKSCC Nominees Limited

Nan Lung Holding Limited

China Everbright Bank Company Limited – Everbright Pramerica Quantified Core Securities Investment Fund

Bank of Communication Rong Tong Industry Prosperous Securities Invest Fund

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China AMC Growth Fund (成长

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the controlling shareholder of the Company.

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China Merchants Bank-Everbright Pramerica Advantage Securities Investment Fund (招商 股份有限公司 優勢配&
Shanghai Stock Exchange 50 Trading Open-end Index Securities Investment Fund (上 50交易型開放式指數)
The Industrial and Commercial Bank of China – Bosera Even Allocation Mixed Investment Fund (工商 博时平衡配置混合型
The Industrial and Commercial Bank of China – JianXin Optimal Allocation Mixed Investment Fund (工商 建 優 配置混合型)
Agricultural Bank of China — Zhongyou Core Growth Equity Securities Investment Fund (農 郵 成長股票型)
Note: The number of shares held by HKSCC Nominees Limited included 5,350,000 H shares held by Asia Travel Investment Company Limited, a foreign indirectly wholly-owned subsidiary of China Southern Air Holding Limited,

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Major Events

3.1 Significant changes in major accounting items and financial indicators of the Company's financial and the reasons for such changes

√Applicable □Not applicable

1.

Items which have experienced major changes in the balance sheet:

Unit: million Currency: RMB

Item	Balance at the end of the reporting period	Balance at the end of the previous year	Increase/ decrease ratio	Main reason(s) for the change
Trade receivables	1,866	1,366	37%	Mainly due to the rebound of the aviation market and increase of ticket sale during the reporting period.
Long-term deferred expenses	409	95	331%	Mainly due to the Xinjiang airport terminal was transferred to long term deferred expenses as the airport terminal was ready for use.
Other non-current assets	559	864	(35%)	Mainly due to the Xinjiang airport terminal was transferred to long term deferred expenses as the airport terminal was ready for use.
Bills payable	2,159	3,207	(33%)	Mainly due to decrease in number of unsettled bills during the reporting period.
Trade payables	793	532	49%	Mainly due to increase in profit for the reporting period.
Accumulated profits	(2,234)	(3,653)	(39%)	Mainly due to the increase in profit from the Company for the reporting period.

2.

Items which have experienced major changes in the income statement:

Unit: million Currency: RMB

Item	Amount during the reporting period	Amount during the corresponding period of the previous year	Increase/ Decrease ratio	Main reason(s) for the change
Operating revenue	16,877	12,932	31%	Mainly due to the rebound of the aviation market.
Investment income	1,106	8	13,725%	Mainly due to disposal of MTU Maintenance Zhuhai Co., Ltd. during the reporting period
Operating profit/(loss)	1,483	(692)	(314%)	Mainly due to the rebound of the aviation market and increase of the investment income
Non-operating income	221	1,072	(79%)	Mainly due to no refund of CAAC fund during the reporting period, and there was such refund in the corresponding period.
Profit before income tax	1,701	378		Mainly due to the increase in operating profit for the reporting period.
Income tax expenses	216	60	260%	Mainly due to increase in profit for the reporting period.
Net profit for the period	1,485	318	367%	Mainly due to increase in profit for the reporting period.
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Items which have experienced major changes in the cash flow statement:

Unit: million Currency: RMB

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Item	Amount from the beginning of the year to the end of the reporting period	Amount from the beginning of the previous year to the end of the reporting period of the previous year	Increase/ decrease	Main reason(s) for the change
Cash received from sale of goods and rendering of	16 205	10 501	200	Mainly due to increase in operating revenue during the reporting period.
services O t h e r c a s h received relating to operating activities	16,305 145	12,521 702	30%	Mainly due to no refund of CAAC fund during the reporting period, and there was such refund in the corresponding period.
Cash paid for goods and services	12,096	8,149	48%	Mainly due to increase in fuel cost and other goods and services expenses as a result of growth of operation.
Cash paid for all types of taxes	489	325	50%	Mainly due to increase in repayment of business tax during the reporting period.
Cash received from disposal of investments	1,608	-	N/A	Mainly due to the cash received from the transfer of equity interests in MTU Maintenance Zhuhai Co., Ltd. during the reporting period.
Cash paid for acquisition of f i x e d assets, intangible assets and other long-term assets	5,436	3,628	50%	Mainly due to increase in advanced payment and final payment for aircraft during the reporting period.
Cash repayments of borrowings	4,404	5,020	5070	