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 May, 2003

Commission File Number 1-15250

BANCO BRADESCO S.A.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

BANK BRADESCO

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Cidade de Deus, s/n, Vila Yara 06029-900 - Osasco - SP Federative Republic of Brazil (Address of principal executive office)

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 ____X 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 ___X____

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Cidade de Deus, Osasco, SP, May 2nd, 2003

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

Ref.: Payment of Monthly Interest on Own Capital Banco Bradesco S.A.

Gentlemen,

The Board of Directors of this Bank, in a meeting held on this date, approved the Board of Executive Officers proposal for the payment to the Company's Stockholders, pursuant to the Corporate Bylaws and legal provisions, of Interests on Own Capital related to the month of May/2003, in the amount of R0.0141180 for common stock and R0.0155298 for preferred stock, both per lot of one thousand stocks, benefiting the stockholders registered in the Company's records on this date (May 2nd, 2003).

The payment will be made on June 2nd, 2003, at the net amount of R\$0.0120 for common stock and R\$0.0132 for preferred stock, both per lot of one thousand stocks for those stockholders with stock position equal to or over 100,000 stocks, after deduction of Withholding Income Tax of fifteen percent (15%), except for the legal entity stockholders that are exempt from this respective taxation, which will receive the declared amount.

For those with stock position up to 99,999 stocks, the payment will be made on July 1st, 2003, but may be anticipated if the stockholder presents a written request for that purpose.

The respective Interests will be computed in the calculation of the minimum compulsory dividend for the year, as provided in the Corporate Bylaws.

The Interests relating to stocks under custody at CBLC - Brazilian Company and Depository Corporation will be paid to CBLC, independently the stockholder position which will be transferred to the stockholders through the depository Brokers.

Cordially,

Banco Bradesco S.A. José Luiz Acar Pedro Executive Vice President and Investor Relations Director

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: May 2, 2003

BANCO BRADESCO S.A.

By:

/s/ José Luiz Acar Pedro

José Luiz Acar Pedro Executive Vice President and Investor Relations Director

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