

BBVA BANCO FRANCES SA  
Form 6-K  
March 21, 2003

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**FORM 6-K**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Issuer**

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

**For the month of March, 2003**

**Commission File Number: 001-12568**

**BBVA Banco Francés S.A.**

**(Translation of registrant's name into English)**

**Reconquista 199, 1006**

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Buenos Aires, Argentina

(Address of principal executive offices)

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1. Summary of Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting dated March 17, 2003

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**BBVA BANCO FRANCES (NYSE:BFR.N; BCBA:FRA.BA; LATIBEX: BFR.LA)**

Buenos Aires, March 19, 2003

Banco Frances hereby informs that Directors Messrs. Jaime Guardiola Romojaro, Amadeo R. Vázquez and Ignacio Sanchez Asiaín-Sanz, as well as Alternate Directors, Martín E. Zarich and José Ayala Vargas, have submitted their resignations. The Board of Directors, in its meeting held on March 17, 2003 approved the resignations and appointed Messrs. Jorge Bledel, Juan Ignacio Giménez Echeverría and Oscar Castro to fill the vacancies.

Consequently, the composition of the Board of Directors remains as follows, until next Shareholders Meeting:

Chairman	Mr. Jorge Bledel
Vice Chairman	Mr. Juan Ignacio Giménez Echeverría
Directors	Mr. Marcelo Gustavo Canestri Mr. Javier D. Ornellas Mr. Oscar Castro

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.

**BBVA Banco Francés S.A.**

Date: March 20, 2003

By:           /s/  MARÍA ELENA SIBURU DE LÓPEZ OLIVA          

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