

Weerarante Andrew
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 Weerarante Andrew

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 China Direct, Inc. [CDII]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O CHINA DIRECT INDUSTRIES, INC., 431 FAIRWAY DRIVE, STE 200

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 01/26/2009

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

(Street)
 DEERFIELD BEACH, FL 33441

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				(A) or (D)	Price			
				Code	V	Amount		
Common Stock, \$0.0001 par value per share	01/26/2009		A	0 ⁽¹⁾	A	\$ 0	0 ⁽¹⁾	D

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Reporting Transaction (Instr. 6)
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Weerarante Andrew
C/O CHINA DIRECT INDUSTRIES, INC.
431 FAIRWAY DRIVE, STE 200
DEERFIELD BEACH, FL 33441

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Andrew
Weeraratne 02/04/2009

**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

The number of shares awarded to the to the Reporting Person will be computed by dividing \$12,500 by the closing price of the Issuer's common stock on the last business day of each full month over the 12 month period after January 26, 2009 (the "Stock Award"). \$7,500 (1) of the Stock Award will be in the form of restricted common stock that will vest 100% 12 months after the end of each monthly period during the term of employment and \$5,000 will be in the form of unrestricted common stock. All shares comprising the Stock Award were granted pursuant to the Issuer's 2008 Non-Executive Stock Incentive Plan.

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