

BANK OF CHILE
Form 6-K
March 27, 2012

FORM 6-K
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

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

For the month of March, 2012

Commission File Number 001-15266

BANK OF CHILE
(Translation of registrant's name into English)
Ahumada 251
Santiago, Chile
(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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Yes No.....

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BANCO DE CHILE

REPORT ON FORM 6-K

Attached is an English translation of a letter filed by Banco de Chile with the Chilean Superintendency of Banks, Chilean Superintendency of Securities and Insurance and local Stock Exchanges, informing of a the decision of the Central Bank of Chile regarding its position in connection with the capitalization agreed upon at the Bank's Extraordinary Shareholders meeting held on March 22, 2012.

Santiago, March 27, 2012

Mr. Raphael Bergoeing Vela

Superintendent of Bank and

Financial Institutions

Present

RE: ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Mr. Superintendent:

Pursuant to Articles 9 and 10 of Law No. 18.045 and Chapter 18-10 of the Regulations of the Superintendency of Banks and Financial Institutions, I inform you as an Essential Information, that today, the Central Bank of Chile communicated to Banco de Chile that in the Extraordinary Session, No.1666E, held today, the Board of the Central Bank of Chile resolved to request its corresponding surplus, from the fiscal year ended on the 31st of December 2011, including the proportional part of the agreed upon capitalization profits, be paid in cash currency.

Sincerely,

Alejandro Herrera Aravena

Acting General Manager

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: March 27, 2012

Banco de Chile

/s/ Alejandro Herrera Aravena

By: Alejandro Herrera Aravena

Acting General Manager

