KOOKMIN BANK Form 6-K March 27, 2008

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 March 2008

Kookmin Bank

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

9-1, 2-Ga, Namdaemun-Ro, Jung-Gu, Seoul, Korea 100-703

(Address of principal executive office)

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

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Clarification of Press Report Regarding Sale of Stake in Bank

Internasional Indonesia

On March 27, 2008, the Korea Exchange (KRX) requested Kookmin Bank to clarify a press report regarding sales of shares of Bank Internasional Indonesia (BII).

In response to this request, Kookmin Bank filed a statement with the KRX on March 27, 2008 as follows:

On March 26, 2008, Kookmin Bank received a correspondence from Fullerton Financial Holdings Pte. Ltd. (FFH), the largest shareholder of BII and a wholly-owned subsidiary of Temasek, that FFH is planning to sell its stake in Sorak Financial Holdings. Kookmin Bank is currently examining possible courses of action regarding its stake in Sorak Financial Holdings and plans to provide an update as to its intentions by no later than June 27, 2008 (or sooner if there are any definitive decisions made or actions taken by Kookmin Bank prior to such date).

Note: FFH is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Temasek. FFH holds a 75% stake in Sorak Financial Holdings. Kookmin Bank holds a 25% stake in Sorak Financial Holdings. Sorak Financial Holdings holds a 56% stake in BII.

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.

Kookmin Bank

(Registrant)

By: /s/ Donald H. MacKenzie

Date: March 27, 2008

(Signature)

Name: Donald H. MacKenzie Title: Senior EVP / CFO

Executive Director