

China Direct, Inc.  
Form 3  
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**FORM 3 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
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**INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES**

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Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section  
30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
Â Leibowitz George (Last) (First) (Middle)	(Month/Day/Year) 05/30/2008	China Direct, Inc. [CDS]
	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

C/O CHINA DIRECT,  
INC.,Â 431 FAIRWAY DRIVE,  
SUITE 200  
  
(Street)

(Check all applicable)

Director     10% Owner  
 Officer     Other  
(give title below)    (specify below)

DEERFIELD  
BEACH,Â FLÂ 33441  
  
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

**Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned**

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
Common Stock, \$.0001 Par Value	5,000 <sup>(1)</sup>	D	Â

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

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**Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)**

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	4. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	5. Ownership Form of Derivative Security:	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Security	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Leibowitz George C/O CHINA DIRECT, INC. 431 FAIRWAY DRIVE, SUITE 200 DEERFIELD BEACH, FL 33441	X	^	^	^

## Signatures

/s/ George Leibowitz                      05/30/2008

\*\*Signature of Reporting Person                      Date

## Explanation of Responses:

- \* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, *see* Instruction 5(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).  
 Restricted Stock granted on May 30, 2008 pursuant to the Issuer's 2006 Equity Compensation Plan. The Restricted Stock will vest in (1) equal quarters each three months after the date of grant but only if the Reporting Person is still a Director of the Issuer at the time of vesting.

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