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FORM 6-K

**REPORT OF FOREIGN ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

For the month of December 2004

(Commission File No. 001-32221)

GOL LINHAS AÉREAS INTELIGENTES S.A.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

GOL INTELLIGENT AIRLINES INC.
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

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Federative Republic of Brazil**
(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the
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the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No

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registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

GOL appoints new Independent Board Member

São Paulo, December 9, 2004 GOL Linhas Aéreas Inteligentes S.A. (NYSE: GOL and Bovespa: GOLL4), Brazil's low-fare, low-cost airline, today announced the appointment of Luiz Kaufmann to the company's Board of Directors. The approval of his nomination was resolved at the Ordinary and Extraordinary Shareholders Meetings simultaneously held today at 8:00 am (local time 5:00 am US ET). Also, GOL's Corporate Governance and Nomination Committee proposed the election of Mr. Kaufmann as a member of the Company's Audit Committee.

Luiz Kaufmann's nomination to the Audit Committee is expected to be confirmed at the Company's next Board of Directors Meeting to be held on December 21, 2004 at 9:00 am (local time 6:00 am US ET). He will assume the office previously held by Ana Vigon Tabar, and will serve as the Audit Committee's financial expert, in accordance with the requirements of sections 301 and 407 of Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, to which GOL is subject as a NYSE-listed company. Upon approval, GOL's Audit Committee will be comprised of three independent members: Luiz Kauffman, Álvaro Souza and Antonio Kandir.

Luiz Kaufmann has presided over several companies such as Aracruz Celulose S.A. (NYSE: ARA and Bovespa: ARCZ) from 1993 to 1998, Vésper, Petropar, Grupo Multiplíc, Arthur D. Little, and was a partner at GP Investimentos. He was a member of several companies' Board of Directors including Pioneer Hi-Bred International, América Latina Logística (ALL), and Lojas Americanas. Luiz Kaufmann is also Chairman of Fleet One's Board of Directors, member of Medial Saúde's Board of Directors, and CEO of Primesys Soluções Empresariais S.A. and L. Kaufmann Consultores. He was member of the Global Corporate Governance Advisory Board, which was comprised of 20 internationally renowned business leaders from 16 different countries and was created to advance knowledge on the roles and responsibilities of Boards of international companies.

About GOL Linhas Aéreas Inteligentes

GOL Linhas Aéreas Inteligentes, a low-cost, low-fare airline, is one of the most profitable and fastest growing airlines in the industry worldwide. GOL operates a simplified fleet with a single-class of service. It also has one of the youngest and most modern fleets in the industry that results in low maintenance, fuel and training costs, and therefore high aircraft utilization and efficiency ratios. In addition, safe and reliable services, which stimulate GOL's brand recognition and customer satisfaction, allow GOL to have the best cost-benefit service in the market. GOL currently offers service to 36 major business and travel destinations in Brazil, with substantial expansion opportunities. By the year-end, GOL plans to grow by increasing frequencies in existing markets and adding service to additional markets in both Brazil and other high-traffic South American travel destinations. GOL listed its shares on the NYSE and the Bovespa in June 2004.

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