

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES INC /DE/

Form 8-K

August 05, 2003

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported):

August 5, 2003

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware	1-10323	74-2099724
(State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)	(Commission File Number)	(IRS Employer Identification No.)

1600 Smith Street, Dept. HQSEO, Houston, Texas	77002
(Address of principal executive offices)	(Zip Code)

(713) 324-2950

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Item 5. Other Events.

On August 5, 2003, we issued a press release announcing the completion of our sale of a portion of our shares of common stock of ExpressJet Holdings, Inc. to the issuer, reducing our ownership of ExpressJet to approximately 45 percent. We also announced that we have contributed the sale proceeds of \$126,750,000 to our defined benefit pension plan. The press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

a. Exhibits

1. Press Release

SIGNATURE

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Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Continental Airlines, Inc. has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

CONTINENTAL AIRLINES, INC.

August 5, 2003

By /s/ Jennifer L. Vogel

Jennifer L. Vogel

Vice President, General Counsel
and Secretary

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press Release