

KLM ROYAL DUTCH AIRLINES

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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**Report of Foreign Issuer**

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

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**KLM ROYAL DUTCH AIRLINES**

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(translation of Registrant's trade name into English)  
Amsterdamseweg 55, 1182 GP Amstelveen, The Netherlands

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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**CHINA SOUTHERN & KLM ANNOUNCE JOINT CARGO SERVICE:  
NEW AMSTERDAM/SINO 747 FREIGHTER SERVICE SLATED  
TO START OCTOBER 15, 2003**

AMSTELVEEN, The Netherlands September 16, 2003 China Southern Airlines (NYSE: ZNH) (HKSE: 1055), the largest airline in The People's Republic of China, [www.cs-air.com/en](http://www.cs-air.com/en), and KLM Royal Dutch Airlines [www.klm.com](http://www.klm.com), today announce new joint long-haul 747 freighter services four times weekly between Shanghai, Pudong Airport in China and Amsterdam, Schiphol Airport in the Netherlands.

This new joint China Southern/KLM 747 cargo service, planned to begin Wednesday October 15 2003, further cements the close working affiliation between China's largest airline and KLM as both carriers have offered passenger code share service between Europe and China for more than two years.

As part of this new cargo accord, China Southern Airlines will launch new twice-weekly service between Amsterdam and Shanghai while KLM Cargo will continue its current twice-weekly freighter services on the same route.

Both carriers will share capacity on all four flights and will operate this new joint European/Sino service with new Boeing 747 freighters which provide cargo customers with efficient and direct cargo services.

KLM Cargo is a division of KLM Royal Dutch Airlines, the oldest airline in the world turning 85 next year, serving more than 75 countries on six continents.

The largest airline in The People's Republic of China for the past 23 years, China Southern Airlines [www.cs-air.com/en](http://www.cs-air.com/en) connects more than 80 cities around the globe. Major business and vacation destinations served in China include: Beijing, Chengdu, Guangzhou, Guilin, Hong Kong, Kunming, Shanghai, Shenzhen and Wuhan and as well as international service, including: Amsterdam, Bangkok, Fukuoka, Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh City, Islamabad, Kuala Lumpur, Jakarta, Los Angeles, Manila, Melbourne, Moscow, Osaka, Penang, Phnom Penh, Seoul, Singapore, Sydney and Tokyo.

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**KLM SELLS SHARES IN TUI NEDERLAND N.V.**

AMSTELVEEN, September 16, 2003 KLM Royal Dutch Airlines has sold its 9% stake in TUI Nederland N.V. to the parent organization TUI Group GmbH for EUR 7.25 million, generating for KLM a book profit of EUR 5.6 million.

KLM acquired the 9% stake in TUI Nederland N.V. following the merger between Arke and Holland International in 1996. In the merger, TUI Group GmbH retained 91% of the shares and KLM 9%, because KLM already had a stake in Holland International.

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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.

**KLM Royal Dutch Airlines**

**Date: September 17, 2003**

**By /s/ R.A. Ruijter**

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**Name: R.A. Ruijter**  
**Title: Managing Director & CFO**

**By /s/ J.E.C. de Groot**

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**Name: J.E.C. de Groot**  
**Title: SVP & General Secretary a.i.**