

BRASIL TELECOM SA  
Form 6-K  
January 12, 2004

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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549**

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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**

**THROUGH JANUARY 12, 2004**

**(Commission File No. 1-15256)**

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**BRASIL TELECOM S.A.**

*(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)*

**BRAZIL TELECOM COMPANY**

*(Translation of Registrant's name into English)*

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**SIA Sul, Área de Serviços Públicos, Lote D, Bloco B  
Brasília, D.F., 71.215-000  
Federative Republic of Brazil**

*(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)*

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Yes  No

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**BRASIL TELECOM S.A.**

CNPJ Corporate Taxpayer Identification 76.535.764/0001-43

Board of Trade NIRE 53 3 0000622-9

Publicly Traded Company

**BRASIL TELECOM PARTICIPAÇÕES S.A.**

CNPJ Corporate Taxpayer Identification 02.570.688/0001-70

Board of Trade NIRE 53 3 0000581 8

Publicly Traded Company

**MATERIAL FACT**

Brasil Telecom Participações S.A. ( BTP ) and Brasil Telecom S.A. ( BT ), as pursuant to what was determined by Comissão de Valores Mobiliários CVM (Brazilian Exchange Commission) on the Letter Ofício/CVM/SEP/GEA-2 n° 505/03, and according to CVM s Instruction 358, from January 3, 2002, inform that the Board of Directors, on a meeting held on December 18, 2003, authorized BT s Senior Management to deal with iG acquisition, assuring that there s no bid offer so far.

Brasília (DF), December 23, 2003.

**Carla Cico**

Investor Relations Officer  
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**Paulo Pedrão Rio Branco**

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