

CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORP LTD

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16
under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934
For the month of February 2018
Commission File Number: 001-14550

China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Board Secretariat's Office
Kong Gang San Lu, Number 88
Shanghai, China 200335

(Address of principal executive offices)

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SIGNATURES

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.

China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited
(Registrant)

Date February 14, 2018

By /s/ Wang Jian
Name: Wang Jian
Title: Company Secretary

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(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)
(Stock code: 00670)

INSIDE INFORMATION

OVERSEAS REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT ON OPERATING DATA FOR JANUARY 2018

This overseas regulatory announcement is made pursuant to Rule 13.09 and Rule 13.10B of the Rules Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited (the **Listing Rules**) and the Inside Information Provisions (as defined under the Listing Rules) under Part XIVA of the Securities and Futures Ordinance.

The Company and all members of the board of directors confirm that the information contained in this announcement is true, accurate and complete, and no misrepresentations, misleading statements or material omissions are contained herein.

I. OPERATING DATA

	Estimated	Actual		Total	Total	
	amount	amount		estimated	actual	
	completed in	completed in	Year -on-year	completed in	amount	Year-on-year
	January	January	increase	January	completed	increase
	2018	2017		2018	in January	
					2017	
Passenger Transportation Data						
ASK (available seat kilometres) (millions)						
	19,466.95	18,704.38	4.1%	19,466.95	18,704.38	4.1%
Domestic routes	12,040.45	11,521.14	4.5%	12,040.45	11,521.14	4.5%
International routes	6,933.71	6,681.69	3.8%	6,933.71	6,681.69	3.8%
Regional routes	492.79	501.55	1.7%	492.79	501.55	1.7%
RPK (revenue passenger kilometres) (millions)						
	15,350.33	15,290.44	0.4%	15,350.33	15,290.44	0.4%
Domestic routes	9,628.59	9,379.17	2.7%	9,628.59	9,379.17	2.7%
International routes	5,336.05	5,516.74	3.3%	5,336.05	5,516.74	3.3%
Regional routes	385.70	394.54	2.2%	385.70	394.54	2.2%
Number of passengers carried (thousands)						
	9,106.86	8,930.44	2.0%	9,106.86	8,930.44	2.0%
Domestic routes	7,559.09	7,293.66	3.6%	7,559.09	7,293.66	3.6%
International routes	1,262.85	1,340.76	5.8%	1,262.85	1,340.76	5.8%
Regional routes	284.92	296.02	3.7%	284.92	296.02	3.7%

	Estimated			Total		
	Actual		Year-on-year increase	Total		Year-on-year increase
	amount completed in	amount completed in		estimated amount	actual	
	January 2018	January 2017		January 2018	in January 2017	
Passenger load factor (%)	78.85	81.75	2.89pts	78.85	81.75	2.89pts
Domestic routes	79.97	81.41	1.44pts	79.97	81.41	1.44pts
International routes	76.96	82.56	5.61pts	76.96	82.56	5.61pts
Regional routes	78.27	78.66	0.40pts	78.27	78.66	0.40pts
Freight Transportation						
Data AFTK (available freight tonne kilometres) (millions)	640.92	578.53	10.8%	640.92	578.53	10.8%
Domestic routes	223.00	196.86	13.3%	223.00	196.86	13.3%
International routes	403.33	365.79	10.3%	403.33	365.79	10.3%
Regional routes	14.59	15.88	8.1%	14.59	15.88	8.1%
RFTK (revenue freight tonne kilometres) (millions)	212.11	193.88	9.4%	212.11	193.88	9.4%
Domestic routes	81.88	81.34	0.7%	81.88	81.34	0.7%
International routes	127.25	109.94	15.7%	127.25	109.94	15.7%
Regional routes	2.97	2.60	14.6%	2.97	2.60	14.6%
Weight of freight carried (million kg)	80.54	77.78	3.5%	80.54	77.78	3.5%
Domestic routes	60.15	59.60	0.9%	60.15	59.60	0.9%
International routes	17.86	15.92	12.1%	17.86	15.92	12.1%
Regional routes	2.53	2.25	12.4%	2.53	2.25	12.4%
Freight load factor (%)	33.10	33.51	0.42pts	33.10	33.51	0.42pts
Domestic routes	36.72	41.32	4.60pts	36.72	41.32	4.60pts
International routes	31.55	30.06	1.50pts	31.55	30.06	1.50pts
Regional routes	20.39	16.35	4.04pts	20.39	16.35	4.04pts
Consolidated Data ATK (available tonne kilometres) (millions)						
	2,392.94	2,261.92	5.8%	2392.94	2,261.92	5.8%
Domestic routes	1,306.64	1,233.76	5.9%	1,306.64	1,233.76	5.9%
International routes	1,027.36	967.14	6.2%	1,027.36	967.14	6.2%
Regional routes	58.94	61.02	3.4%	58.94	61.02	3.4%
RTK (revenue tonne kilometres) (millions)	1,567.68	1,536.83	2.0%	1,567.68	1,536.83	2.0%
Domestic routes	932.97	905.72	3.0%	932.97	905.72	3.0%
International routes	597.75	593.96	0.6%	597.75	593.96	0.6%
Regional routes	36.96	37.15	0.5%	36.96	37.15	0.5%

	Estimated		Year-on-year increase	Total		Year-on-year increase
	amount	amount		estimated	Total	
	completed	incompleted in		amount	actual	
	January 2018	January 2017		completed in January 2018	amount completed in January 2017	
Overall load factor (%)	65.51	67.94	2.43pts	65.51	67.94	2.43pts
Domestic routes	71.40	73.41	2.01pts	71.40	73.41	2.01pts
International routes	58.18	61.41	3.23pts	58.18	61.41	3.23pts
Regional routes	62.71	60.88	1.83pts	62.71	60.88	1.83pts

Note: Please refer to the latest annual report or interim report of the Company for the definitions of indicators.

II. FLEET STRUCTURE

In January 2018, China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited (the **Company**) introduced one aircraft (one A330-300 aircraft), and retired one aircraft (one B737-700 aircraft).

As at the end of January 2018, details of the fleet structure of aircraft of the Company are as follows:

(Units)

No.	Model	Self-owned	Under finance lease	Under operating lease	Sub-total
Wide-body passenger aircraft		30	43	10	83
1	B777-300ER	9	11	0	20
2	B767	4	0	0	4
3	A330-200	15	15	3	33
4	A330-300	2	17	7	26
Narrow-body passenger aircraft		218	192	134	544
5	B737-700	42	13	0	55
6	B737-800	46	62	84	192
7	A319	13	20	2	35
8	A320	79	52	48	179
9	A321	38	39	0	77
10	B737-8MAX	0	6	0	6
Total		248	235	144	627

Note: The ten business aircraft held under trust of the Company were not included in the fleet.

III. BRIEF EXPLANATION ON OPERATING DATA

In relation to passenger traffic, passenger transportation capacity (measured by available seat-kilometres) of the Company in January 2018 increased by 4.1% year-on-year, passenger traffic volume (measured by revenue passenger-kilometres) increased by 0.4% year-on-year, and passenger load factor decreased by 2.89 percentage points to 78.85% year-on-year.

In relation to freight traffic, freight transportation capacity (measured by available freight tonne-kilometres) of the Company in January 2018 increased by 10.8% year-on-year. Freight traffic volume (measured by revenue freight tonne-kilometres) increased by 9.4% year-on-year, while freight load factor decreased by 0.42 percentage points to 33.1% year-on-year.

In January 2018, the Company introduced domestic routes such as Chengdu-Teng Chong, Aletai-Xian and Wenzhou-Yantai-Qiqihar, and international routes such as Urumqi-Hefei-Krabi.

IV. RISK ALERT

The board of directors of the Company hereby reminds investors that the operating data set forth above was compiled in accordance with the Company's internal information which has not been audited and may be subject to adjustment. The operating data set forth above may differ from the data disclosed in any regular report for the relevant period. The Company reserves its rights to adjust the operating data based on audit findings and the actual situation. The monthly operating data disclosed by the Company only serves as preliminary and periodical data for investors' reference. Investors are hereby reminded of the investment risks which may result from inappropriate reliance upon or utilization of the information above.

The data set forth above is published on the website of the Shanghai Stock Exchange (www.sse.com.cn), the website of The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong (www.hkex.com.hk) and the column "Investor Relations" on the website of the Company (www.ceair.com).

By order of the Board
CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORPORATION LIMITED
Wang Jian
Company Secretary
Shanghai, the People's Republic of China
13 February 2018

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company include Liu Shaoyong (Chairman), Ma Xulun (Vice Chairman, President), Li Yangmin (Director, Vice President), Gu Jiadan (Director), Tang Bing (Director, Vice President), Tian Liuwen (Director, Vice President), Yuan Jun (Employee Representative Director), Li Ruoshan (Independent non-executive Director), Ma Weihua (Independent non-executive Director), Shao Ruiqing (Independent non-executive Director) and Cai Hongping (Independent non-executive Director).