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PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A. - PETROBRAS

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Brazilian Petroleum Corporation - PETROBRAS

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

**Avenida República do Chile, 65
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Federative Republic of Brazil**
(Address of principal executive office)

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Yes No

New President

(Rio de Janeiro, January 03, 2003). PETROLEO BRASILEIRO S.A Petrobras, (BOVESPA: PETR3 / PETR4, NYSE: PBR / PBRA, LATIBEX: XPBR / XPBRA), Brazil's largest oil and gas, petrochemicals and energy company, announces the appointment of Mr. José Eduardo de Barros Dutra, elected by the new Board of Directors, to the position of President of Petrobras, replacing Mr. Francisco Roberto André Gros.

Curriculum Vitae Jose Eduardo de Barros Dutra

President of Petrobras January 2003

Personal information

City And State Of Birth Rio De Janeiro (RJ)Date

Of Birth April 11, 1957

Marital Status Judicially Separated

Occupation - Geologist, graduated from Universidade Federal Rural do Rio De Janeiro, in 1979.

Licensed from Companhia Vale Do Rio Doce.

Professional background

- Geosol Geologia Sondagens Ltda.
Period 1980/1981
Activity: geological mapping in Rio De Janeiro. Mining research in Marau (Ba).
- Petrobras Mineradora (Petromisa)
Period 1983/1990
Activity: geological planning in the Taguari-Vassouras potassium mine, in the city of Rosário do Catete (Se).
- Companhia Vale do Rio Doce
Period 1990/1994
Activity geological planning in the Taguari-Vassouras potassium mine, in the city of Rosário do Catete (Se).
- Elected the "Geologist Of The Year", in 1988, by the Geologist Association Of Sergipe.

Political service

- Director of the DCE of the UFRJ, in the 70s.
- Member of the Geologist Association of Sergipe (Agese).
- President of The Miners Union of the State of Sergipe (Sindimina) in the period 1989/1994.
- National director of the Workers Sole Central (CUT) in the period 1988-1990.
- Candidate to the Government of the State of Sergipe by the Workers Party in 1990 and 2002.
- Elected Senator for the State of Sergipe in 1994 for the 1995/2003 legislature.
- Member of the National Board of the Workers Party.
- President of the Regional Board of the PT-Se.

Parliamentary mandate

- Leader of PT (1996 and 1997).
- Leader of the Opposition Block (1997 and 2001).
- Member of the Committees of Constitution, Justice and Citizenship, Economic Affairs, Infrastructure, Education and Inspection and Control.
- Titular Member of the Judiciary (1999) and Mining Investigation Committee.
- Member of the Special Temporary Committee of the Transit Code.
- Originator of the requirements for the installation of the Investigation Committee of Banks, Privatization of Vale do Rio Doce and of the Corruption in FHC's government.
- Originator of the laws ruling the donation of organs and remission of fines and deliberate dismissals against union directors of the oil tanker workers' strike.

Main projects presented

- Supplementary Bill that obliges the financial institutions to render information to the Federal Revenue Service on the financial operations in amounts higher than 20 thousand UFIR's.
- Project that democratizes the access to SIAFli (Integrated Financial Management System) to allow all Brazilian citizens to obtain wide information about the financial management acts.
- Project that obliges the Brazilian Court Of Accounts (TCU) to inform the result of all audits evidencing irregularities and illegalities in the Federal Public Service to members of the Parliament, parties, unions and other institutions.
- Project that assures the free distribution of drugs and materials required for the application and monitoring capillary glycemia in individuals with diabetes.
- Project that grants the Legislative Power the authority for any desestatization operation of Vale do Rio Doce.
- Project that cancels the presidential decree on the procedures of public workers.
- Constitutional Amendment Project that expropriates, for the purposes of agrarian reform, the rural properties that employ slaving labor.
- Resolution Project Of The National Congress that regulates the choice of members of the Social Communication Council by The Legislative Power.
- Constitutional Amendment Proposal that eliminates union exclusivity and assures those organization their plurality and freedom of association.

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SIGNATURE

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.

Date: January 6, 2003

PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO
S.A--PETROBRAS

By: */s/* João Pinheiro Nogueira
Batista

**João Pinheiro Nogueira
Batista
Chief Financial Officer
and Investor Relations
Director**

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