CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORP LTD Form 6-K April 13, 2012

## **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 April 2012

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 April 13, 2012 By

/s/ Wang Jin Name: Wang Jin Title: Joint 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)

## ANNOUNCEMENT

This announcement is made by the Company pursuant to Rule 13.09 of the Rules

Governing the Listing of Securities on The Stock Exchange of Hong Kong Limited.

## **I. RESULTS ESTIMATE FOR THE PERIOD**

- 1. Results estimate period: 1 January 2012 to 31 March 2012
- 2. Results estimate:

As a preliminary estimate made by China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited (the "**Company**"), the unaudited net profit of the Company and its subsidiaries for the first quarter of 2012 drawn up in conformity with China Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises (**CASBE**) is expected to represent a more than 50% decrease

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compared to that of the corresponding period last year.

Detailed results will be disclosed in the 2012 first quarterly report of the Company.

3. Financial information involved in this results estimate announcement has not been audited by the Company's certified public accountants.

# II. RESULTS FOR THE CORRESPONDING PERIOD LAST YEAR (i.e. 1 JANUARY 2011 TO 31 MARCH 2011)

1. Net profit attributable to the equity holders of the Company: RMB1,012.77 million

2. Basic earnings per share: RMB0.0898

#### III. REASONS FOR THE CHANGE IN RESULTS

The slowdown in the growth of the demand in the civil aviation market of passenger traffic and the inadequate demand in the international cargo traffic market in the first quarter of 2012 affected the growth of the air transportation business of the Company. Meanwhile, the substantial year-on-year growth in the price of jet fuel resulted in an increase in the operating costs of the Company. Furthermore, under the influence of the bilateral fluctuation in the exchange rate of Renminbi, the exchange gain of the Company for this period was significantly lower than the figure recorded in the corresponding period last year.

## IV.RISK ALERT

The directors of the Company hereby caution investors that the results estimate set forth above represents a preliminary estimate based on CASBE and has not been audited. Exact figures are subject to the disclosure to be made in the 2012 first quarterly report of the Company. The Company's shareholders and potential investors are advised to exercise caution when dealing in the securities of the Company and be mindful of risks associated with their investments.

By order of the board of directors of

## CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORPORATION LIMITED

#### Wang Jian

Joint Company Secretary

The directors of the Company as at the date of this announcement are:

Liu Shaoyong	(Chairman)
Ma Xulun	(Vice Chairman, President)
Li Yangmin	(Director, Vice President)
Luo Zhuping	(Director)
Sandy Ke-Yaw Liu	(Independent non-executive
	Director)
Wu Xiaogen	(Independent non-executive
	Director)
Ji Weidong	(Independent non-executive
	Director)
Shao Ruiqing	(Independent non-executive
	Director)

Shanghai, the People's Republic of China

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