

TOTAL SA  
Form 6-K  
October 23, 2008

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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 13-a16 OR 15-d16 UNDER  
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934  
For the month of: **October 2008**  
Commission File Number: **1-10888**  
**TOTAL S.A.****

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

2 place Jean Millier  
92078 Courbevoie La Défense 6  
France

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.  
Form 20-F  Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1):

**Note:** Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1) only permits the submission in paper of a Form 6-K if submitted solely to provide an attached annual report to security holders.

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Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes  No

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-

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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.

**TOTAL S.A.**

Date: October 23, 2008

By: /s/ Charles Paris de Bollardière  
Name : Charles PARIS de  
BOLLARDIERE  
Title : Treasurer

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- Ø **EXHIBIT 99.1:** Notice of Repurchase of Ordinary Shares of Total for the 3rd quarter 2008 (October 14, 2008).
- Ø **EXHIBIT 99.2:** Research and Development: ADEME and Total Sign Memorandum of Understanding to Enhance the Energy Efficiency of Industrial Processes (October 15, 2008).
- Ø **EXHIBIT 99.3:** Yemen: Total farms into an onshore block with KNOC (October 17, 2008).