

China Direct, Inc.  
Form 8-K  
June 03, 2008

**UNITED STATES**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

Washington, DC 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT**

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported) May 30, 2008

**CHINA DIRECT, INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Florida**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**001-33694**  
(Commission  
File Number)

**13-3876100**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**431 Fairway Drive, Deerfield Beach, Florida 33441**

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

**Registrant's telephone number, including area code (954) 363-7333**

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.**

At the May 30, 2008 meeting of the Board of Directors (the "Board") of China Direct, Inc. (the "Company"), and based on the recommendation of the Compensation Committee of the Board (the "Compensation Committee"), the Board approved the following compensation that will be paid by the Company to its non-employee independent directors:

The Company's independent non-employee directors will be paid an annual retainer of \$20,000 and \$750 for each day they attend in person a Board or committee meeting. The Chairman of the Audit Committee will also receive an annual retainer of \$4,000. The annual retainers will be paid in quarterly installments during the directors' one year term in office. Additionally, upon election to the Board on May 30, 2008, the Board granted each of Messrs. Barnes, Leibowitz and Steiner 5,000 shares of the Company's restricted common stock. The restricted common stock will vest in equal quarters during the Directors' term but only if the director is still a director of the Company at the time of vesting. The shares of restricted stock are eligible for the payment of dividends, if the Board were to declare dividends on the Company's common stock. The grant of restricted stock is made in addition to the directors' annual cash retainers and meeting attendance fees.

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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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: June 3, 2008

**CHINA DIRECT, INC.**

By: /s/ David Stein  
David Stein,  
Chief Operating Officer

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