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FORM 6-K
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER

THE SALE OF SHARES OF CAEMI

PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16
OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of September 3, 2003

Commission File Number 09929

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

2-1, OHTEMACHI 1-CHOME CHIYODA-KU, TOKYO 100-0004 JAPAN

(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

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Yes [] No [X]

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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.

Date: September 3, 2003

MITSUI & CO., LTD.

By: /s/ Osamu Mori

Name: Osamu Mori
Title: Senior Managing Officer
General Manager

September 3, 2003

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Mitsui & Co., Ltd.

Re: The sale of shares of Caemi

Mitsui & Co., Ltd. ("Mitsui"), a company organized under the laws of Japan, with headquarters in 2-1, Ohtemachi 1-chome, Chiyoda-ku, Tokyo, Japan, hereby informs that, on September 2, 2003, upon satisfaction of all contractual and legal conditions, including approval by European Union antitrust authorities, Mitsui effected the sale of 659,375,000 ordinary shares and 1,040,671,032 preferred shares of Caemi Mineracao e Metalurgia S.A. ("CMM") to Companhia Vale do Rio Doce ("CVRD"), representing 43.37% of CMM's total equity and 50% of CMM's voting capital stock, for an aggregate purchase price of US\$426 million, Mitsui thereby ceasing to be a shareholder in CMM.

For further information, please contact:

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