FOREIGN TRADE BANK OF LATIN AMERICA, INC. Form 6-K January 18, 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 January, 2012

BANCO LATINOAMERICANO DE COMERCIO EXTERIOR, S.A. (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

FOREIGN TRADE BANK OF LATIN AMERICA, INC. (Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Calle 50 y Aquilino de la Guardia P.O. Box 0819-08730 Panama City, Republic of Panama (Address of Registrant's 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.)

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(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g-3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes "No x

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

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, thereto duly authorized.

January 17th, 2012

FOREIGN TRADE BANK OF LATIN AMERICA, INC.

By: /s/ Pedro Toll

Name: Pedro Toll Title: General Manager

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

BLADEX ANNOUNCES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND PAYMENT FOR FOURTH QUARTER 2011

Panama City, Republic of Panama, January 17, 2012 - Banco Latinoamericano de Comercio Exterior, S.A. (Bladex) (NYSE: BLX), announced today a quarterly cash dividend of US\$0.25 per share corresponding to the fourth quarter 2011.

During the Board of Director's meeting January 17, 2012, the Bank's Board reaffirmed its commitment to a dividend approach that reflects Bladex's growing core business. Consequently, the quarterly common dividend increased from \$0.20 to \$0.25 per share.

The cash dividend is payable February 9, 2012 to the Bank's stockholders as of the January 31, 2012 record date.

As of December 31, 2011, Bladex had 37,131,942.09 common shares outstanding of all classes.

Bladex is a supranational bank originally established by the Central Banks of Latin America and Caribbean countries to promote trade finance in the Region. Based in Panama, its shareholders include central and state-owned entities in 23 countries of the Region, as well as Latin American and international commercial banks, and institutional and retail investors.

For further information, please access Bladex's website on the Internet at www.bladex.com or contact:

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