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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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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 August 2018

Commission File Number: 001-14550

China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited

(Translation of Registrant s name into English)

Board Secretariat s Office

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(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 August 31, 2018

By /s/ Wang Jian Name: Wang Jian

Title: 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)

2018 INTERIM RESULTS ANNOUNCEMENT

The board of directors (the **Board**) of China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited (the **Company**) hereby presents the interim financial information of the Company and its subsidiaries (collectively, the **Group**) for the six months ended 30 June 2018 prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards (**IFRS**) (which were reviewed and approved by the Board and the audit and risk management committee of the Company (the **Audit and Risk Management Committee**) on 30 August 2018), with comparative figures for the corresponding period in 2017.

As the Company completed the transfer of 100% equity interest in Eastern Air Logistics Co., Ltd.* (Eastern Logistics) to Eastern Airlines Industry Investment Company Limited* (Eastern Airlines Industry Investment , a wholly-owned subsidiary of China Eastern Air Holding Company (CEA Holding), the controlling shareholder of the Company) in February 2017, the interim condensed consolidated statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, interim condensed consolidated statement of cash flows as well as the financial information under corresponding notes to the financial statements of the Group and the operating data of the Group for the first half of 2017 still included the corresponding data of Eastern Logistics in January 2017. The interim condensed consolidated statement of financial position and financial information under corresponding notes to the financial statements of the Group and the fleet data of the Group as at 30 June 2017 and 30 June 2018 did not include the corresponding data of Eastern Logistics.

The interim financial information of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2018 is not necessarily indicative of annual or future results of the Group. Investors should not place undue reliance on the interim financial information of the Group for the six months ended 30 June 2018.

* For identification purpose only

INTERIM FINANCIAL INFORMATION

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME

For the six months ended 30 June 2018

For the

		six months ended 30 June	
		2018	2017
	Notes	RMB million	RMB million
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Revenue	5	54,500	48,423
Other operating income and gains	6	3,390	4,766
Operating expenses			
Aircraft fuel		(15,252)	(12,139)
Take-off and landing charges		(7,097)	(6,430)
Depreciation and amortisation		(7,534)	(6,547)
Wages, salaries and benefits		(9,831)	(8,860)
Aircraft maintenance		(1,649)	(2,165)
Impairment charges		(6)	(9)
Food and beverages		(1,665)	(1,501)
Aircraft operating lease rentals		(2,016)	(2,235)
Other operating lease rentals		(473)	(401)
Selling and marketing expenses		(1,813)	(1,593)
Civil aviation development fund		(1,093)	(1,004)
Ground services and other expenses		(1,651)	(1,916)
Fair value changes of equity instrument at fair value through profit or loss		(30)	
Indirect operating expenses		(2,334)	(2,059)
Total operating expenses		(52,444)	(46,859)
Operating profit		5,446	6,330
Share of results of associates		57	113
Share of results of joint ventures		28	31
Finance income		52	703
Finance costs	8	(2,416)	(1,404)
Profit before income tax		3,167	5,773
Income tax expense	9	(665)	(1,152)
Profit for the period		2,502	4,621

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	Note	six months e 2018 RMB million	nded 30 June 2017 RMB million
		(Unaudited)	(Unaudited)
Other comprehensive income for the period			
Other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:			
Cash flow hedges, net of tax		110	(137)
Fair value changes of available-for-sale investments, net of tax			99
Share of other comprehensive income of an associate, net of tax			5
Net other comprehensive income to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods		110	(33)
Other comprehensive income not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods:			
Fair value changes of equity instruments, net of tax		(7)	
Fair value changes of equity instruments held by an associate, net of tax		(16)	
Actuarial (losses)/gains on the post-retirement benefit obligations, net of tax		(126)	184
Net other comprehensive income not to be reclassified to profit or loss in subsequent periods		(149)	184
Other comprehensive income, net of tax		(39)	151
Total comprehensive income for the period		2,463	4,772
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Profit attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		2,279	4,341
Non-controlling interests		223	280
Profit for the period		2,502	4,621
Total comprehensive income attributable to:			
Equity holders of the Company		2,240	4,486
Non-controlling interests		223	286
Total comprehensive income for the period		2,463	4,772
Earnings per share attributable to the equity holders of the Company during the period			
Basic and diluted (RMB)	10	0.16	0.30

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

As at 30 June 2018

	Notes	30 June 2018 <i>RMB million</i> (Unaudited)	31 December 2017 RMB million (Audited)
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	12	171,253	166,856
Investment properties		287	302
Lease prepayments		1,693	1,717
Intangible assets	13	11,602	11,596
Advanced payments on acquisition of aircraft	14	25,938	24,752
Investments in associates		1,680	1,654
Investments in joint ventures		601	557
Available-for-sale investments			800
Equity instruments at fair value through other comprehensive			
income		1,562	
Derivative financial instruments		289	151
Other non-current assets		2,969	2,927
Deferred tax assets		112	122
		217,986	211,434
Current assets			
Flight equipment spare parts		2,210	2,185
Trade and notes receivables	15	2,272	2,124
Equity instrument at fair value through profit or loss		93	
Prepayments and other receivables		12,922	9,314
Restricted bank deposits and short-term bank deposits		44	51
Cash and cash equivalents		3,143	4,605
Assets held for sale		103	14
		20,787	18,293
Current liabilities			
Sales in advance of carriage			7,043
Trade and bills payables	16	2,623	3,184
Contract liabilities		9,703	
Other payables and accruals		21,240	19,864
Current portion of obligations under finance leases	17	8,247	9,241
Current portion of borrowings	18	33,304	39,090
Income tax payable		145	593
Current portion of provision for return condition checks for aircraft			
under operating leases		630	981
Derivative financial instruments		43	324
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Liabilities directly associated with the assets classified as held for sale

	75,935	80,328
Net current liabilities	(55,148)	(62,035)
Total assets less current liabilities	162,838	149,399

	Notes	30 June 2018 <i>RMB million</i> (Unaudited)	31 December 2017 RMB million (Audited)
Non-current liabilities			
Obligations under finance leases	17	61,028	57,627
Borrowings	18	31,076	24,711
Provision for return condition checks for aircraft under operating leases		2,385	2,038
Contract liabilities		1,792	
Derivative financial instruments			1
Post-retirement benefit obligations		2,708	2,502
Other long-term liabilities		2,013	3,724
Deferred tax liabilities		302	18
		101,304	90,621
Net assets		61,534	58,778
Equity			
Equity attributable to the equity holders of the Company			
Share capital	19	14,467	14,467
Reserves		43,423	40,893
		57,890	55,360
Non-controlling interests		3,644	3,418
Total equity		61,534	58,778

INTERIM CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

For the six months ended 30 June 2018

Attributable to equity holders of the Company

Share Other

capital reserves

Retained

RMB millionRMB million profits