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**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20549**

FORM 6-K

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

For the month of January, 2005

(Commission File No. 001-32221)

GOL LINHAS AÉREAS INTELIGENTES S.A.
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

GOL INTELLIGENT AIRLINES INC.
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

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Federative Republic of Brazil**
(Address of Registrant's principal executive offices)

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Form 20-F Form 40-F

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, indicated below the file number assigned to the
registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b):

GOL Announces Traffic Statistics for December 2004

São Paulo, January 6, 2005 GOL Linhas Aéreas Inteligentes S.A. (NYSE: GOL and Bovespa: GOLL4), Brazil's low-fare, low-cost airline, today released preliminary passenger statistics for the month of December 2004. The Company's market share in December 2004 increased 2.3 percentage points compared with the same period last year. Revenue passenger kilometers increased 23.2%, while load factor increased 3.0 percentage points.

| Operating Data | December 2004 | December 2003 | Change (%) |
|--|---------------|---------------|------------|
| Available Seat Kilometers ASK (mm) ⁽¹⁾ | 827.3 | 702.1 | 17.8% |
| Revenue Passenger Kilometers - RPK (mm) ⁽²⁾ | 628.1 | 509.7 | 23.2% |
| Market Share (in relation to RPK) | 24.3% | 22.0% | + 2.3 p.p. |
| Load Factor ⁽³⁾ | 76.0% | 73.0% | + 3.0 p.p. |

1. Available seat kilometers represents the aircraft seating capacity multiplied by the number of kilometers the seats are flown.

2. Revenue passenger kilometers represents the numbers of kilometers flown by revenue passengers.

3. Load factor represents the percentage of aircraft seating capacity that is actually utilized (calculated by dividing revenue passenger kilometers by available seat kilometers).

Source: Department of Civil Aviation (DAC)

About GOL Linhas Aéreas Inteligentes

GOL Linhas Aéreas Inteligentes, a low-cost, low-fare airline, is one of the most profitable and fastest growing airlines in the industry worldwide. GOL operates a simplified fleet with a single-class of service. It also has one of the youngest and most modern fleets in the industry that results in low maintenance, fuel and training costs, and therefore high aircraft utilization and efficiency ratios. In addition, safe and reliable services, which stimulate GOL's brand recognition and customer satisfaction, allow GOL to have the best cost-benefit service in the market. GOL currently offers service to 37 major business and travel destinations in Brazil and one international destination, with substantial expansion opportunities. In 2005, GOL plans to grow by increasing frequencies in existing markets and adding service to additional markets in both Brazil and other high-traffic South American travel destinations. GOL listed its shares on the NYSE and the Bovespa in June 2004.

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This release contains forward-looking statements relating to the prospects of the business, estimates for operating and financial results, and those related to growth prospects of GOL. These are merely projections and, as such, are based exclusively on the expectations of GOL's management concerning the future of the business and its continued access to capital to fund the Company's business plan. Such forward-looking statements depend, substantially, on changes in market conditions, government regulations, competitive pressures, the performance of the Brazilian economy and the industry, among other factors and risks disclosed in GOL's filed disclosure documents and are, therefore, subject to change without prior notice.

SIGNATURE

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: January 6, 2005

GOL LINHAS AÉREAS INTELIGENTES S.A.

By: /s/ Richard F. Lark, Jr.

Name: Richard F. Lark, Jr.
Title: Vice President Finance, Chief
Financial Officer

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