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 June 2004
Kookmin Bank
(Translation of registrant s name into English)
9-1, 2-Ga, Namdaemun-Ro, Jung-Gu, Seoul, Korea 100-703
(Address of principal executive office)
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 <u>X</u> Form 40-F _____

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Clarification of rumor on buying a stake in a Taiwanese bank

On June 29, 2004, the Korea Stock Exchange requested Kookmin Bank to clarify the rumor on Kookmin Bank s possible purchase of a stake in a Taiwanese bank.

Upon this request, Kookmin Bank announced that although it received an offer indirectly to buy a partial stake in a Taiwanese bank, no detailed review of the offer has been made.

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.

Kookmin Bank

(Registrant)

Date: June 29, 2004 By: /s/ Ki Sup Shin

(Signature)

Name: Ki Sup Shin

Title: Senior Executive Vice President

and Chief Financial Officer

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