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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 November 2003

Woori Finance Holdings Co., Ltd.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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 X Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is submitting the Form 6-K in paper as permitted by Regulation S-T Rule 101(b)(1):

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Indicate by check mark whether by furnishing the information contained in this Form, the registrant is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes No X

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Purchase of Subsidiary Shares as Major Shareholder

Woori Financial Holdings Co., Ltd. purchased the shares of Woori Securities, a major subsidiary, for the purpose of stabilizing the ownership and management structure of Woori Securities.

Key Details of Purchase

Purchase Date Subsidiary for Purchase Number of Shares

Purchase Amount
Total Invested Amount

: November 28, 2003: Woori Securities: 4,121,730 common shares

: 16,899,093,000 Won : 112,364,833,600 Won

* Excluding the newly purchased amount

Board of Directors Resolution Date : November 28, 2003

Purchase Method

The shares purchased were treasury shares held by Woori Securities in a specific trust account at Woori Bank.

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.

Woori Finance Holdings Co., Ltd.

(Registrant)

Date: November 28, 2003 By: /s/ Won Gihl Sohn

(Signature)

Name: Won Gihl Sohn Title: Managing Director