

BRAZILIAN PETROLEUM CORP  
Form 6-K  
December 04, 2003

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

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FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer  
Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of December, 2003  
Commission File Number 1-15106

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PETROLEO BRASILEIRO S.A. - PETROBRAS  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Brazilian Petroleum Corporation - PETROBRAS  
(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Avenida Republica do Chile, 65  
20035-900 - Rio de Janeiro, RJ  
Federative Republic of Brazil  
(Address of principal executive office)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual  
reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F    X    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 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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Incorporation By Reference

This Report on Form 6-K is incorporated by reference into the Registration  
Statement of Form F-3, File No. 333-92044, of Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. -  
Petrobras.

AWARENESS LETTER

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November 28, 2003

To the Board of Director and Stockholders of  
Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras

We are aware of the incorporation by reference in the Registration Statement on Form F-3 of Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras of our report dated November 13, 2003 relating to the unaudited consolidated interim financial statements of Petroleo Brasileiro S.A. - Petrobras and subsidiaries for the nine-month period ended September 30, 2003 that are included in its Form 6-K dated November 28, 2003.

ERNST & YOUNG  
Auditores Independentes S/S

/s/ Paulo Jose Machado  
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Paulo Jose Machado  
Partner

Rio de Janeiro - RJ  
Brazil

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.

PETROLEO BRASILEIRO S.A.--PETROBRAS

By: /S/ Jose Sergio Gabrielli de Azevedo  
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Jose Sergio Gabrielli de Azevedo  
Chief Financial Officer and Investor Relations  
Director

Date: December 4, 2003