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FORM 6-K

**Report of Foreign Issuer** 

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

Report on Form 6-K dated for the month of September, 2008

Copa Holdings, S.A.

(Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

Boulevard Costa del Este, Avenida Principal y Avenida de la Rotonda Urbanización Costa del Este Complejo Business Park, Torre Norte Parque Lefevre Panama City, Panama

(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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(Indicate by check 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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## **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, hereunto duly authorized.

Copa Holdings, S.A.

(Registrant)

Date: <u>09/10/2008</u>

By: /s/ Victor Vial

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Title: CFO

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## COPA HOLDINGS ANNOUNCES MONTHLY TRAFFIC STATISTICS FOR AUGUST 2008

**PANAMA, September 10, 2008** – Copa Holdings, S.A. (NYSE: CPA), and its Copa Airlines and Aero Republica operating subsidiaries, today released preliminary passenger traffic statistics for August 2008:

Copa Holdings (Consolidated)	August 2008	August 2007	Change (%)
ASM (mm) (1)	790.6	715.1	10.6%
RPM (mm) (2)	618.8	529.6	16.8%
Load Factor (3)	78.3%	74.1%	4.2p.p.
Copa Airlines			
ASM (mm) (1)	657.1	565.6	16.2%
RPM (mm) (2)	528.7	441.2	19.8%
Load Factor (3)	80.5%	78.0%	2.4p.p.
Aero Republica			
ASM (mm) (1)	133.5	149.5	-10.7%
RPM (mm) (2)	90.1	88.4	1.9%
Load Factor (3)	67.5%	59.2%	8.4p.p.

- 1. Available seat miles represents the aircraft seating capacity multiplied by the number of miles the seats are flown.
- 2. Revenue passenger miles represents the numbers of miles flown by revenue passengers
- 3. Load factor represents the percentage of aircraft seating capacity that is actually utilized

For the month of August 2008, Copa Holdings' system-wide passenger traffic (RPM) increased 16.8%, while capacity (ASM) increased 10.6%. System load factor for August 2008 was 78.3%, a 4.2 percentage point increase when compared to August 2007.

Copa Airlines passenger traffic (RPM) for August 2008 increased 19.8%, while capacity (ASM) increased 16.2%. This resulted in a load factor of 80.5%, a 2.4 percentage point increase when compared to August 2007.

Aero Republica passenger traffic (RPM) for August 2008 increased 1.9%, while capacity (ASM) decreased 10.7%. Load factor for the month was 67.5%, an 8.4 percentage point increase when compared to August 2007. Capacity reduction came as a result of Aero Republica's ongoing transition to smaller gauge EMBRAER-190 aircraft.

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Copa Holdings, through its Copa Airlines and Aero Republica operating subsidiaries, is a leading Latin American provider of passenger and cargo service. Copa Airlines currently offers approximately 126 daily scheduled flights to 42 destinations in 22 countries in North, Central and South America and the Caribbean. In addition, Copa Airlines provides passengers with access to flights to more than 120 other international destinations through code share agreements with Continental Airlines and other airlines. Aero Republica, the second-largest domestic carrier in Colombia, provides service to 12 cities in Colombia as well as international connectivity with Copa Airlines' Hub of the Americas through flights from Bogota, Bucaramanga, Cali, Cartagena and Medellin. Additionally, in May 2008, Aero Republica increased international service by launching direct daily flights to Caracas, Venezuela from the cities of Bogota and Medellin.

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