

FOREIGN TRADE BANK OF LATIN AMERICA, INC.

Form 6-K

April 17, 2012

**UNITED STATES**

**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 April, 2012

**BANCO LATINOAMERICANO DE COMERCIO EXTERIOR, S.A.**

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its Charter)

**FOREIGN TRADE BANK OF LATIN AMERICA, INC.**

(Translation of Registrant's name into English)

Calle 50 y Aquilino de la Guardia

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P.O. Box 0819-08730

Panama City, Republic of Panama

(Address of Registrant's 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.)

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 information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g-3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes  No

(If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b). 82\_\_.)

**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, thereto duly authorized.

April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2012

FOREIGN TRADE  
BANK OF LATIN  
AMERICA, INC.

By: /s/ Pedro Toll

Name: Pedro Toll  
Title: General  
Manager

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**BLADEX ANNOUNCES QUARTERLY DIVIDEND PAYMENT**

**FOR FIRST QUARTER 2012**

**Panama City, Republic of Panama, April 17, 2012** - Banco Latinoamericano de Comercio Exterior, S.A. (Bladex) (NYSE: BLX), announced today a quarterly cash dividend of US\$0.25 per share corresponding to the first quarter 2012.

The cash dividend was approved by the Board of Directors and is payable May 10, 2012 to the Bank's stockholders as of the April 30, 2012 record date.

As of March 30, 2012, Bladex had 37,638,554.09 common shares outstanding of all classes.

Bladex is a supranational bank originally established by the Central Banks of Latin America and Caribbean countries to promote trade finance in the Region. Based in Panama, its shareholders include central and state-owned entities in 23 countries of the Region, as well as Latin American and international commercial banks, and institutional and retail investors.

For further information, please access Bladex's website on the Internet at [www.bladex.com](http://www.bladex.com) or contact:

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