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FORM 6-K

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

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

For the month of February, 2019

Brazilian Distribution Company (Translation of Registrant's Name Into English)

Av. Brigadeiro Luiz Antonio, 3142 São Paulo, SP 01402-901 <u>Brazil</u> (Address of Principal Executive Offices)

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Yes ____ No <u>_X</u>____

COMPANHIA BRASILEIRA DE DISTRIBUIÇÃO

AUTHORIZED CAPITAL PUBLICLY-HELD COMPANY

CNPJ/MF No. 47.508.411/0001-56

NIRE 35.300.089.901

MATERIAL FACT

Companhia Brasileira de Distribuição ("Company" or "GPA"), in compliance with Brazilian Law No. 6.404/76 and CVM Instruction No. 358/02, announces to its shareholders and the market in general that, on this date, in a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Company, it was authorized a new sale of part of the equity interest held in Via Varejo S.A., in the form of a TRS (Total Return Swap) to be signed with a Brazilian first tier financial institution. Such sale shall comprise up to 40,000,000 (forty million) common shares of such company, corresponding to 3.09% of its capital stock, to be operationalized on February 25, 2019, on the trading environment of B3 S.A. – Brasil, Bolsa, Balcão. After said sale, the Company shall hold 36.27% of Via Varejo's capital stock.

We stress that, as previously disclosed in the Material Fact of the Company on December 21, 2018, the Company is pursuing the sale of the remainder part of the equity interest held in Via Varejo to a strategic investor. If the conditions so indicate, the same objective can be carried out though operations available in the capital market.

The Company will keep the market and its shareholders informed in the event of new material facts related to this matter.

São Paulo, February 20, 2019.

DANIELA SABBAG

Investor Relations Officer

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirement 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.

COMPANHIA BRASILEIRA DE DISTRIBUIÇÃO

Date: February 20, 2019

By: <u>/s/ Peter Estermann</u> Name: Peter Estermann Title: Chief Executive Officer

By: <u>/s/ Daniela Sabbag</u> Name: Daniela Sabbag Title: Investor Relations Officer

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