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# **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 January 2019

Commission File Number: 001-14550

China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited

(Translation of Registrant s name into English)

Board Secretariat s Office

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# Shanghai, China 200335

# (Address of principal executive offices)

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

# <u>China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited</u> (Registrant)

**Date** January 9, 2019 **By** /s/ Wang Jian

Name: Wang Jian

Title: Company Secretary

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#### **VOLUNTARY ANNOUNCEMENT**

# Announcement in Relation to the Completion of Transfer of

7% of Shares in Juneyao Airlines

# By a Subsidiary of Controlling Shareholder

This is a voluntary announcement made by China Eastern Airlines Corporation Limited (the **Company**). Reference is made to the voluntary announcements (the **Voluntary Announcements**) dated 12 November 2018 and 23 November 2018 of the Company. Unless otherwise indicated, terms used in this announcement shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Voluntary Announcements.

Recently, the Company received a notice from Eastern Investment, a wholly-owned subsidiary of the Company s controlling shareholder, CEA Holding, that the registration for the Share Transfer of a total of 7% of shares in Juneyao Airlines from JuneYao Group and Junyao Aviation Investment to Eastern Investment has been completed at the Shanghai Branch of China Securities Depository and Clearing Corporation Limited on 8 January 2019.

In addition to the abovementioned shares the transfer of which have been completed, Eastern Investment will subscribe for not more than 169,130,680 non-publicly issued shares of Juneyao Airlines. Upon completion of subscription of non-publicly issued shares of Juneyao Airlines, Eastern Investment is expected to hold not more than approximately 15% of shares in Juneyao Airlines in aggregate.

The headquarters of CEA Holding and JuneYao Group are both located in Shanghai, and the principal business of both parties is aviation transportation. The transfer of existing shares of Juneyao Airlines by Eastern Investment is significant in further enhancing and deepening the strategic partnership between CEA Holding and JuneYao Group, establishing Shanghai as an aviation hub and serving the Construction of Five Centers in Shanghai. It is also an important measure for CEA Holding to respond positively to the State s call to support the development of the private economy and private enterprises and strengthen the strategic cooperation between state- owned capital and private capital.

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The actual implementation of the capital cooperation between CEA Holding and JuneYao Group will benefit both parties to further strengthen and enhance their business cooperation in different sectors in compliance with laws and regulations, bring synergies to their business, increase their operational efficiency and improve their route network, as well as enhance their service quality to fulfil the demand of social development and outbound tourism, promote the Four Brands of Shanghai and implement the State strategy for high-quality development of regional integration of the Yangtze River Delta region.

# By order of the Board CHINA EASTERN AIRLINES CORPORATION LIMITED

## Wang Jian

Company Secretary
Shanghai, the People s Republic of China

8 January 2019

As at the date of this announcement, the directors of the Company include Liu Shaoyong (Chairman), Ma Xulun (Vice Chairman, President), Lin Wanli (Independent non-executive Director), Li Ruoshan (Independent non-executive Director), Ma Weihua (Independent non-executive Director), Shao Ruiqing (Independent non-executive Director), Cai Hongping (Independent non-executive Director) and Yuan Jun (Employee Representative Director).