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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 May, 2005

Commission File Number 1-11130

ALCATEL

(Translation of registrant s name into English)

54, rue La Boétie 75008 Paris - France (Address of principal executive offices)

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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.

Alcatel

Date: May 31st, 2005

By:

/S/ Jean-Pascal Beaufret Jean-Pascal Beaufret Chief Financial Officer

Press release

Alcatel Canada Inc. Announces Redemption of Exchangeable Shares on Toronto Stock Exchange

Ottawa, May 27, 2005 Alcatel Canada Inc. (TSX: AT) announced today the Board of Directors determination that, effective at the close of business on July 29, 2005, the exchangeable shares of Alcatel Canada Inc. will be redeemed in accordance with their terms.

Alcatel Holdings Canada Corp. has informed Alcatel Canada Inc. that it intends exercise its redemption call right and purchase all of the Alcatel Canada Inc. exchangeable shares (other than those held by Alcatel or any of its affiliates) as of the redemption date. On the redemption date, holders will be entitled to receive one American Depositary Share of Alcatel (Alcatel ADS) for each exchangeable share held, less any amounts which must be withheld under any applicable tax law in payment of the total purchase price.

Under the conditions of the exchangeable shares, on and after July 29, 2005, the holders of the Alcatel Canada Inc. exchangeable shares will cease to be holders of such shares. Upon surrender of certificates representing the exchangeable shares, such holders shall on and after July 29, 2005 be considered and deemed for all purposes to be the holders of the Alcatel ADSs to which they are entitled.

About Alcatel

Alcatel provides communications solutions to telecommunication carriers, Internet service providers and enterprises for delivery of voice, data and video applications to their customers or employees. Alcatel brings its leading position in fixed and mobile broadband networks, applications and services, to help its partners and customers build a user-centric broadband world. With sales of EURO 12.3 billion in 2004, Alcatel operates in more than 130 countries. For more information, visit Alcatel on the Internet: http://www.alcatel.com

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