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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 April 2004

Commission File Number 3337776

TV Azteca, S.A. de C.V.  
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Periferico Sur, No. 4121, Col. Fuentes del Pedregal, 14141 Mexico D.F., Mexico  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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

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Yes  No

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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.

TV Azteca, S.A. de C.V.

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(Registrant)

Date: April 16, 2004

By: /s/ OTHON FRIAS CALDERON

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Name: Othon Frias Calderon

Title: Attorney-in-fact

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TV AZTECA SHAREHOLDERS APPROVE US\$55 MILLION  
IN CASH DISTRIBUTIONS

--Shareholders also Approve Appointment of Three New Board Members--

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
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MEXICO CITY, APRIL 15, 2004 - TV Azteca, S.A. de C.V. (NYSE: TZA; BMV: TVAZTCA), one of the two largest producers of Spanish language television programming in the world, announced that its Annual Ordinary Meeting of Shareholders, held today at its corporate offices in Mexico City, approved distributions to shareholders for an aggregate amount of US\$55 million to be paid during 2004. Of the total sum, US\$52 million is planned to come from capital reductions approved by the board of directors on February 24, and Ps.32 million (approximately US\$3 million) from the company's preferred annual dividends.

A payment of US\$33 million is scheduled to be made on May 13, and another of approximately US\$22 million on November 11. Funds are expected to be available to ADR holders on May 24 and on November 22, respectively.

The cash distributions are part of the company's ongoing plan to allocate a substantial portion of TV Azteca's expected cash generation to reduce the company's debt by approximately US\$250 million, and to make cash distributions to shareholders of over US\$500 million by 2008.

Shareholders also approved the appointment of three new board members: Francisco Murguia, as an independent director, and Mario San Roman and Francisco Borrego, as internal board members.

Francisco Murguia (56) is a leading producer of commercials and short-length films in Latin America. Mr. Murguia has been president of the Mexican Association of Film Makers (AMFI), the National Counsel of Advertising (CNP) and the Mexican Association of Advertising Agencies (AMAP).

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Mario San Roman (46) is TV Azteca's Chief Operating Officer since 2002. He joined TV Azteca in 1998, and was initially in charge of Azteca 13 network. He was soon promoted to responsibilities that include the company's distribution channels. His experiences, methods and approach to audience preferences have been key in strengthening the company's programming decision processes. Mr. San Roman holds a B.A. in communication and marketing studies from the Universidad Iberoamericana. Mr. San Roman substitutes Jose Ignacio Morales, an esteemed member of the board who passed away on February 15.

Francisco Borrego (39) has served as General Counsel and Legal Director of the company since 1993. Mr. Borrego also serves on the board of directors of Azteca Holdings. Mr. Borrego received a degree in law from the Escuela Libre de Derecho.

With today's shareholders' approval, the company's board is comprised of 13 members, from 11 directors within the prior structure. The proportion of independent board members to total directors is 46%, above the regulatory 25%.

### COMPANY PROFILE

TV Azteca is one of the two largest producers of Spanish language television programming in the world, operating two national television networks in Mexico, Azteca 13 and Azteca 7, through more than 300 owned and operated stations across the country. TV Azteca affiliates include Azteca America Network, a new broadcast television network focused on the rapidly growing US Hispanic market, and Todito.com, an Internet portal for North American Spanish speakers.

Except for historical information, the matters discussed in this press release are forward-looking statements and are subject to certain risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those projected. Risks that may affect TV Azteca are identified in its Form 20-F and other filings with the US Securities and Exchange Commission.

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