

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SEC FORM 17-C

CURRENT REPORT UNDER SECTION 17 OF THE SECURITIES REGULATIONS CODE (SRC) AND SRC RULE 17(a)-1(b)(3) THEREUNDER

- 1. August 10, 2006  
Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported)
- 2. 152747  
SEC Identification Number
- 3. 050-000-153-790  
BIR Tax Identification Number
- 4. AYALA LAND, INC.  
Exact Name of registrant as specified in its charter
- 5. MAKATI CITY, PHILIPPINES  
Province, country or other jurisdiction of incorporation
- 6. [REDACTED] (SEC Use Only)  
Industry Classification Code
- 7. 29/F, Tower One, Ayala Triangle, Ayala Avenue, Makati City  
Address of principal office
- 1226  
Postal code
- 8. 848-5313  
Registrant's telephone number, including area code
- 9. Not Applicable  
Former name or former address, if changed since last report
- 10. Securities registered pursuant to Sections 4 and 8 of the SRC

As of June 30, 2006

Title of Each Class	Number of Shares of Common Stock Outstanding	Amount of Debt Outstanding
<u>COMMON SHARES</u>	<u>10,804,097,550</u>	<u>P 10.3 Billion</u>

Indicate the item numbers reported herein : Please refer to attached letter

Re: **News article on MRT buy-out by the government**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Regulations Code, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AYALA LAND, INC.

Registrant

JAIME E. YSMAEL

Senior Vice President & CFO

Date : August 10, 2006



**AYALA LAND, INC.**

SEC Reg. No. 152747  
SEC Sec. Code No. E-5000

August 10, 2006

**PHILIPPINE STOCK EXCHANGE**

4/F PSE Center, Exchange Road  
Ortigas Center, Pasig City

Attention: **Ms. Jurisita M. Quintos**  
Senior Vice President  
Disclosure Department

Dear Ms. Quintos,

This has reference to your letter dated August 9, 2006 addressed to Atty. Renato O. Marzan, Managing Director & Assistant Corporate Secretary of Ayala Corporation, requesting for information in relation to the news article entitled "Government plans to have full control of MRT" published in the August 9, 2006 issue of the Philippine Daily Inquirer (Internet Edition). Atty. Marzan has forwarded your letter to Ayala Land, Inc. ("ALI") for appropriate reply.

Please be advised that ALI is not in a position to comment on the report on the alleged disclosure made by Budget Secretary Rolando Andaya regarding the proposed "buy-out" by the Philippine Government of Metro Rail Transit Corporation. ALI has not been formally advised of any such proposal or offer and accordingly, cannot provide information on the same. Also please be clarified that it is ALI (and not Ayala Corporation) which holds shares in Astoria Investment Ventures, Inc. (formerly Ayala Infrastructure Ventures, Inc.), a stockholder of Metro Rail Transit Corporation.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jaime E. Ysmael', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**JAIME E. YSMAEL**

Senior Vice President and Chief Finance Officer

cc:  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
SEC Building, EDSA, Mandaluyong City

Attention: *Director Justina F. Callangan*  
*Corporation & Finance Department*