

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT
PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): December 11, 2009

ChinaNet Online Holdings, Inc.
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

Nevada
(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)

000-52672
(Commission File Number)

20-4672080
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

No.3 Min Zhuang Road, Building 6,
Yu Quan Hui Gu Tuspark, Haidian District, Beijing, PRC 100195
(Address of Principal Executive Offices and Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: +86-10-51600828

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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 - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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Item 5.02 Departure of Directors or Certain Officers, Election of Directors, Appointment of Certain Officers, Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers.

On December 11, 2009, the Board of Directors of ChinaNet Online Holdings, Inc. (the “Company”), received a letter from Kotoi Horofumi in which Mr. Horofumi resigned as a member of the Company’s Board of Directors, effective immediately. Mr. Hirofumi's resignation is not the result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company’s operations, policies or practices. A copy of Mr. Horofumi's resignation letter is attached to this Current Report on Form 8-K as Exhibit 99.1.

Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits:

<u>No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Letter of Resignation of Kotoi Horofumi

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 hereunto duly authorized.

CHINANET ONLINE HOLDINGS, INC.

Dated: December 17, 2009

By: /s/ Cheng Handong

Name: Cheng Handong

Title: Chief Executive Officer

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December 11, 2009

ChinaNet Online Holdings, Inc.
No. 3 Min Zhuang Road, Building 6
Yu Quan Hui Gu Tuspark
Haidian District, Beijing
People's Republic of China
Attn: Board of Directors of ChinaNet Online Holdings, Inc.

Re: Resignation Letter

To the Board of Directors of
ChinaNet Online Holdings, Inc.:

I, Kotoi Hirofumi, hereby resign as a director of ChinaNet Online Holdings, Inc. (the "Company"), effective immediately. Please be advised that my resignation from such position of the Company is not the result of any disagreement with the Company on any matter relating to the Company's operations, policies or practices.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Kotoi Horofumi

Kotoi Horofumi
