

PRICESMART INC  
Form 8-K  
March 17, 2005

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# SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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## FORM 8-K

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### CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the  
Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of Report (Date of earliest event reported): March 14, 2005

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## PriceSmart, Inc.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction  
of incorporation)

**000-22793**  
(Commission File Number)

**33-0628530**  
(I.R.S. Employer  
Identification No.)

**9740 Scranton Road, San Diego CA 92121**  
(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

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Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (858) 404-8800

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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 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
  - Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))
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**Item 8.01. Other Events.**

On March 14, 2005, PriceSmart, Inc. (the Company) issued a press release announcing that the 34% minority shareholder of PriceSmart (Guatemala) S.A., the Company's Guatemalan subsidiary, has recently filed civil and related criminal claims in Guatemalan courts against PriceSmart (Guatemala) and against the Company's appointees to the Board of Directors of PriceSmart (Guatemala). The press release also announced the appointment of a limited receiver of PriceSmart (Guatemala). A copy of the press release is filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

(c) The following exhibit is filed herewith:

<u>Exhibit No.</u>	<u>Description</u>
99.1	Press release of PriceSmart, Inc. dated March 14, 2005.

**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 hereunto duly authorized.

Date: March 17, 2005

PRICESMART, INC.

By: \_\_\_\_\_ /s/ JOHN M. HEFFNER

John M. Heffner

Chief Financial Officer