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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the month of MAY , 2003.

IMA EXPLORATION INC.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

#709 - 837 West Hastings Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6C 3N6, Canada
-----(Address of principal executive offices)

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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 of the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

IMA Exploration Inc.
(Registrant)

Date May 27, 2003

By /s/ William Lee
-----(Signature)

William Lee, Director and Chief Financial Officer

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NEWS RELEASE MAY 27, 2003

SOIL ANOMALIES AT NAVIDAD EXTENDED TO 5.8 KM

IMA Exploration Inc (IMR:TSX-V) is pleased to announce the results from the recently completed soil sampling survey at the Company's 100% owned Navidad silver discovery in Patagonia, Agrentina. The results to date are very encouraging as it continues to meet and exceed expectations of IMA's Technical Team. Significant naturally-occurring metal anomalies in soils have now been extended to an overall strike length of 5.8 km.

Highlights of the soil survey include a 1,700 by 300 metre silver-copper-lead anomaly over the Navidad Hill and Galena Hill areas. This strong soil anomaly, which IMA Geologists believe to be very significant, is defined by greater than 2 grams per tonne (g/t) silver and generally greater than 100 ppm copper. Within this zone there is a central core of greater than 10 g/t silver in soils

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(includes values of up to 298 g/t Ag) of approximately 600 by 200 metres. Portions of this central core correlate with the outcropping bonanza-grade mineralization at Navidad Hill and these soil results demonstrate the potential to expand this zone significantly.

Significant soil anomalies also exist at Barite and Calcite Hills. Silver values of up to 531 g/t have been received from outside areas of known high-grade mineralization and show excellent potential for additional discoveries. Lead values are consistently elevated and correlate well with silver over the entire 5.8 kilometre survey length. Samples of greater than 500 ppm lead have been returned from every line within the survey area. A total of 958 soil samples have now been collected on the Navidad project at 50 metre sample spacing on lines spaced 100 metres and 50 metres apart in key areas. Please visit our website WWW.IMAEXPLORATION.COM for complete details of this survey.

The first phase of detailed 1:500 and 1:1,000 scale mapping and sampling in the Navidad, Galena, and Barite Hill areas was completed and 824 rock chip samples have been collected. Results will be released over the next few weeks, once they are received and reviewed by IMA geologists. In addition, Quantec Geoscience Argentina S.A. is currently collecting IP/Resistivity data over a 2.5 by 7.0 kilometre area at Navidad. Preliminary results indicate significant anomalies over areas of known bonanza-grade structures and known galena matrix breccia, anomalies have also been defined in new areas that are completely soil covered. Final results from this survey are expected in mid to late June.

Quality control measures have been an integral part of this soil survey and all of IMA's work at the Navidad Project. Approximately 10% of the 958 soil samples submitted were either duplicate samples collected at the same sample site as the original or blank samples. All samples were analyzed by ALS Chemex by ICP and AA techniques. Sample collection was overseen by Dr. Paul Lhotka, P.Geo., IMA's Qualified Person on the Navidad Project. Review of the data for blanks and duplicate samples indicates no contamination or reproducibility problems were encountered.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD

/s/ Joseph Grosso

Mr. Joseph Grosso, President & CEO

For further information please contact Joseph Grosso, President & CEO, or Sean Hurd, Investor Relations Manager, at 1-800-901-0058 or 604-687-1828, or fax 604-687-1858, or by email INFO@IMAEXPLORATION.COM, or visit the Company's web site at HTTP://WWW.IMAEXPLORATION.COM.

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