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Form 6-K

December 20, 2017

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13A-16 or 15D-16

of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

For the month of December 2017

Commission File Number: 001-32702

Almaden Minerals Ltd.

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Suite 210 - 1333 Johnston Street, Vancouver

(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by

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whether the

registrant

files or will

file annual

reports under

cover of

Form 20-F or

Form 40-F.

Form 20-F X

Form 40-F

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pursuant to

Rule

12g3-2(b)

under the

Securities

Exchange Act

of 1934.

Yes

No X

If "Yes" is marked, indicate below the file number assigned to the registrant in connection with Rule 12g3-2(b): 82-

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.

Almaden Minerals Ltd.

Dated: December 20, 2017 B

By: /s/ Douglas McDonald Douglas McDonald Vice President

Exhibit Index

Exhibit Description of Exhibit

99.1 Press Release of Almaden Minerals Ltd. dated December 20, 2017