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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 November 2011

Commission File Number 1-14966

CNOOC Limited
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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Central, Hong Kong
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes ☐ No ☒

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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, thereunto duly authorized.

CNOOC Limited

By: /s/ Jiang Yongzhi
Name: Jiang Yongzhi
Title: Joint Company Secretary

Dated: November 7, 2011

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Announcement dated November 6, 2011, entitled “Termination of the Discloseable Transaction Involving Contributions to Bidas Corporation and the Possible Acquisition by Bidas Corporation”.
99.2	Press release dated November 6, 2011, entitled “Bidas to Terminate the PAE Transaction”.

Exhibit 99.1

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(Stock Code: 00883)

ANNOUNCEMENT ON TERMINATION OF
THE DISCLOSEABLE TRANSACTION INVOLVING CONTRIBUTIONS TO BRIDAS CORPORATION AND
THE POSSIBLE ACQUISITION BY BRIDAS CORPORATION

Reference is made to the announcements of CNOOC Limited (the “Company”) dated 28 November 2010 and 25 October 2011 (the “Announcements”) in relation to a discloseable transaction involving the Company making contributions to Bidas Corporation and the Proposed Acquisition by Bidas Corporation. Terms used in this announcement shall, unless the context otherwise requires, have the same meanings as defined in the Announcements.

The Company was informed that, on 5 November 2011, Bidas Corporation sent to the Seller a letter terminating the Proposed Acquisition. As a consequence of such termination, Bidas Corporation will continue with its current participation in PAE, which will continue to be governed in the same way that it was governed before.

The Board considers that the termination of the Proposed Acquisition will not have any material adverse effect on the existing business or financial position of the Group.

By Order of the Board
CNOOC Limited
Jiang Yongzhi
Joint Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 6 November 2011

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises of:

Executive Directors

Yang Hua (Vice Chairman)

Li Fanrong

Wu Guangqi

Independent Non-executive Directors

Chiu Sung Hong

Lawrence J. Lau

Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius

Wang Tao

Non-executive Directors

Wang Yilin (Chairman)

Zhou Shouwei

Wu Zhenfang

Exhibit 99.2

CNOOC LIMITED

For Immediate Release

Bridas to Terminate the PAE Transaction

(Hong Kong, November 6, 2011) - CNOOC Limited (the “Company”, NYSE: CEO, SEHK: 0883) announced today that Bridas Corporation (“Bridas”), a 50/50% joint venture between CNOOC International Limited and Bridas Energy Holdings (“BEH”), informed the Company that it sent to BP PLC (“BP”) a letter on November 5 to terminate the transaction to acquire 60% equity interest in Pan American Energy (“PAE”) from BP.

The aforesaid acquisition was entered into between BP and Bridas on 28 November 2010.

As a consequence of such termination, Bridas will continue with its current participation in PAE, which will continue to be governed in the same way that it was governed before.

Mr. Yang Hua, CEO of the Company said, “We were willing to strengthen our partnership with BEH and further expand our presence in Argentina through this transaction in the best interest of our shareholders. However, certain conditions precedent to the completion of the deal were not obtained as expected, and Bridas chose to terminate the transaction. In the future, CNOOC Limited will continue to look for overseas opportunities which could add value to our company both in short term and long run.”

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Notes to Editors:

More information about the Company is available at <http://www.cnoocltd.com>.

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This press release includes “forward-looking statements” within the meaning of the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995, including statements regarding expected future events, business prospectus or financial results. The words “believe”, “intend”, “expect”, “anticipate”, “project”, “estimate”, “plan”, “predict” and similar expressions are intended to identify such forward-looking statements. These statements are based on assumptions and analysis made by the Company in light of its experience and perception of historical trends, current conditions and expected future developments, as well as other factors that the Company believes reasonable

under the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will meet the Company's expectations and predictions depends on a number of risks and uncertainties which could cause the actual results, performance and financial conditions to differ materially from the Company's expectations, including those associated with fluctuations in crude oil and natural gas prices, the exploration or development activities, the capital expenditure requirements, the business strategy, the highly competitive nature of the oil and natural gas industries, the foreign operations, environmental liabilities and compliance requirements, and economic and political conditions in the People's Republic of China. For a description of these and other risks and uncertainties, please see the documents the Company has filed from time to time with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, including 2010 Annual Report on Form 20-F filed on April 29, 2011.

Consequently, all of the forward-looking statements made in this press release are qualified by these cautionary statements. The Company cannot assure that the actual results or developments anticipated will be realized or, even if substantially realized, that they will have the expected effect on the Company, its business or operations.

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