

CNOOC LTD  
Form 6-K  
November 12, 2009

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 November 2009

Commission File Number 1-14966

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

65th Floor  
Bank of China Tower  
One Garden Road  
Central, Hong Kong  
(Address of principal executive offices)

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

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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/ Xiao Zongwei  
Name: Xiao Zongwei  
Title: Joint Company Secretary

Dated: November 12, 2009

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EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Press release dated November 12, 2009, entitled “No Injuries No Oil Spills as Strong Wind Hit ‘Haiyangshiyu 113’”

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Exhibit 99.1

CNOOC LIMITED

For Immediate Release

No Injuries No Oil Spills as Strong Wind Hit “Haiyangshiyou 113”

(Hong Kong, Nov 12th 2009) - CNOOC Limited (the “Company” or “CNOOC Ltd.”, NYSE: CEO, SEHK: 0883) announced today that the Floating, Production, Storage and Offloading (FPSO) vessel “Haiyangshiyou 113” shifted from its moorings by strong winds in the Bohai Bay area, has been safely secured. There were no injuries or oil spills.

Operations at the BZ25-1/BZ25-1South oilfields were shut-in on November 10 as a safety precaution during the strong winds, and recovery activities are now being remobilized.

BZ25-1/BZ25-1South oilfield is a joint project developed with Chevron. CNOOC Ltd. holds 83.8% of interest and acts as the Operator. Before this incident, the production capacity of BZ25-1/BZ25-1South oilfield was approximately 27,000 barrels per day.

The Company maintains appropriate insurance coverage of the operations related to the oilfield.

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Notes to Editors:

More information about the Company is available at <http://www.cnooc ltd.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 analyses made by us that we believe are reasonable under the circumstances. However, whether actual results and developments will meet our expectations and predictions depend on a number of risks and uncertainties which could cause our actual results, performance and financial condition to differ materially from our expectations. For a description of these and other risks and uncertainties, please see the documents we file from time to time with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission, including our 2008 Annual Report on Form 20-F filed on May 8, 2009.

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