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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 March 2011

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)

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

Dated: March 7, 2011

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No. Description

99.1 Announcement dated March 7, 2011, entitled "Date of Board Meeting"

Exhibit 99.1

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DATE OF BOARD MEETING

The board of directors (the "Board") of CNOOC Limited (the "Company") announces that a meeting of the Board will be held on Wednesday, 23 March 2011, whereat the Board will, amongst other matters, approve the annual results of the Company and its subsidiaries for the year ended 31 December 2010 and consider the recommendation on payment of a final dividend.

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

Hong Kong, 7 March 2011

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

Executive Directors Yang Hua (Vice Chairman) Li Fanrong Wu Guangqi

Non-executive Directors Fu Chengyu (Chairman) Zhou Shouwei Wu Zhenfang Independent Non-executive Directors Edgar W. K. Cheng Chiu Sung Hong Lawrence J. Lau Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius Wang Tao