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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 February 2013

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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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/ Hua Zhong Name: Hua Zhong

Title: Joint Company Secretary

Dated: February 12, 2013

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit No.	Description
99.1	Announcement dated February 12, 2013, entitled "Announcement Regarding Obtaining of Certain Approval in Connection with the Proposed Acquisition of Nexen".

Exhibit 99.1

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ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING

OBTAINING OF CERTAIN APPROVAL IN CONNECTION WITH THE PROPOSED ACQUISITION OF NEXEN

Reference is made to the Company's announcements dated 23 July 2012, 10 August 2012, 21 September 2012, 6 December 2012 and 28 January 2013 (the "Announcements") and circular dated 20 December 2012 (the "Circular") in relation to the Proposed Acquisition by the Company (through its wholly-owned subsidiary, the Purchaser) of the Nexen Shares pursuant to a Plan of Arrangement under the CBCA. Capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meanings as those defined in the Announcements and the Circular unless the context requires otherwise.

The Board is pleased to announce that the Company has been informed by the Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States that it has given formal approval in connection with the Proposed Acquisition.

Further announcement on the progress of the Proposed Acquisition will be made as appropriate.

Shareholders and potential investors should note that the Proposed Acquisition is subject to various conditions which may or may not be fulfilled. There is therefore no assurance that the Proposed Acquisition will proceed and, if it proceeds, on what terms it may proceed. Shareholders and potential investors are reminded to exercise caution when dealing in the Shares of the Company.

By Order of the Board CNOOC Limited Zhong Hua Joint Company Secretary

Hong Kong, 12 February 2013

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

Executive Directors Independent Non-executive Directors

Li Fanrong

Wu Guangqi

Chiu Sung Hong

Lawrence J. Lau

Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius

Wang Tao

Non-executive Directors Wang Yilin (Chairman) Yang Hua (Vice Chairman) Zhou Shouwei Wu Zhenfang