

GOLD FIELDS LTD

Form 6-K

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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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Form 6-K

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rules 13a-16 or 15d-16 under**

the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Dated March 13, 2013

Commission File Number: 001-31318

**GOLD FIELDS LIMITED**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

150 Helen Rd.

Sandown, Sandton 2196

South Africa

(Address of principal executive offices)

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**Directors** C A Carolus (Chair), N J Holland † \*\* (Chief Executive Officer), P A Schmidt\*\* (Chief Financial Officer), K Ansah # , R Dañino\*, A R Hill ≠ , D L Lazaro^  
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Company Secretary: KE Robinson

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#### **MEDIA RELEASE**

##### **GOLD FIELDS BOARD CONFIRMS ONGOING INDEPENDENT INVESTIGATION OF BEE TRANSACTIONS**

*Johannesburg, South Africa*, March 13, 2013: Gold Fields Limited (JSE, NYSE, NASDAQ, Dubai: GFI) today issued the following statement:

Gold Fields confirms that in December 2012, the Company, through the Social and Ethics Committee of its Board of Directors, commenced a

thorough independent investigation concerning its Black Economic Empowerment (BEE) transactions. The Company took this action following press reports raising questions about those transactions.

The Board has engaged an independent, highly regarded international law firm, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison, LLP (Paul Weiss), with extensive experience in such matters, to undertake the investigation. The Board has directed Paul Weiss to determine the facts, and to provide recommendations to the Board. Gold Fields has also asked Paul Weiss to review the Company's relevant internal controls and to recommend any necessary improvements. Gold Fields will report further on this matter upon the conclusion of the investigation, which is being conducted with the full support of the board and senior management.

Gold Fields' fundamental values include acting with fairness, integrity, honesty, and transparency, and obeying the rules, regulations, and laws that govern it. Gold Fields' pursuit of this investigation reflects its commitment to strict compliance with the laws to which it is subject and to its Code of Ethics.

Gold Fields values and respects the services to the Company of its former Chair, Dr Mamphela Ramphele. During her tenure Dr Ramphele strongly supported the Board's decision to commission an independent investigation. Statements attributed in press reports yesterday to Dr Ramphele represent her own personal views.

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**Notes to editors**

**About Gold Fields**

Gold Fields is a significant unhedged producer of gold with attributable annualised production of 2.1 million gold equivalent ounces from six operating mines in Australia, Ghana, Peru and South Africa. Gold Fields also has an extensive and diverse global growth pipeline with four major projects at resource development and feasibility level. Gold Fields International has total managed gold-equivalent Mineral Reserves of 64 million ounces and Mineral Resources of 155 million ounces. Gold Fields is listed on the JSE Limited (primary listing), the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), NASDAQ Dubai Limited, Euronext in Brussels (NYX) and the Swiss Exchange (SWX). In February 2013, Gold Fields unbundled its KDC and Beatrix mines in South Africa into a separately listed company, Sibanye Gold.

**Sponsor: J.P. Morgan Equities Limited**

**SIGNATURES**

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 authorised.

GOLD FIELDS LIMITED

Dated: 13 March 2013

By:

/s/ Nicholas J. Holland

Name:

Nicholas J. Holland

Title:

Chief Executive Officer