

GOLD FIELDS LTD

Form 6-K

October 17, 2008

**FORM 6-K**

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 20549**

**Report of Foreign Private Issuer**

**Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16**

**of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934**

For the month of

October 2008

Commission File Number 1-31318

**Gold Fields Limited**

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

24 St. Andrews Rd.

Parktown, 2193

South Africa

(Address of principal executive offices)

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## **MEDIA RELEASE FATAL ACCIDENT AT DRIEFONTEIN**

**Johannesburg, 15 October 2008:** Gold Fields Limited (Gold Fields) (NYSE, JSE, DIFX: GFI) regrets to announce that one employee was fatally injured, one employee is trapped approximately 3,000 meters below surface and four employees were injured, two of them seriously, after two seismic events occurred in short succession at the number 5 Shaft of the Driefontein Gold Mine, near Carletonville, earlier today.

Proto teams are at the scene of the accident searching for the trapped employee. The injured employees are in the process of being evacuated to the mine hospital.

The first seismic event, which measured 2.4 on the Richter scale, occurred at 13:17 today, approximately 3,000 meters below surface. This was followed by a second seismic event in the same vicinity at 13:55, measuring approximately 1.0 on the Richter scale.

All operations at the Driefontein Gold mine have been stopped. Further information will be made public as it becomes available.

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**About Gold Fields**

*Gold Fields Limited is one of the world's largest unhedged producers of gold with attributable production of 3,64 million ounces per annum from eight operating mines in South Africa, Ghana and Australia. A ninth mine, Cerro Corona Gold/Copper mine in Peru, commenced production in August 2008 at an initial rate of approximately 375,000 gold equivalent ounces per annum. Gold Fields aims to reach a production rate of approximately 4.0 million ounces per annum during the March quarter of 2009. The company has total attributable ore reserves of 83 million ounces and mineral resources of 251 million ounces. Gold Fields is listed on the JSE Limited (primary listing), New York Stock Exchange (NYSE) and Dubai International Financial Exchange (DIFX) New Euronext in Brussels (NYX) and Swiss Exchange (SWX). For more information please visit the Gold Fields website at [www.goldfields.co.za](http://www.goldfields.co.za).*

**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 authorized.

Date: 15 October 2008

**GOLD FIELDS LIMITED**

By:

Name: Mr W J Jacobsz

Title: Senior Vice President: Investor  
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