

PETROCHINA CO LTD  
Form 6-K  
December 18, 2008

**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 December 2008**  
**PETROCHINA COMPANY LIMITED**

16 Andelu, Dongcheng District  
Beijing, The People's Republic of China, 100011  
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes  No

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**EXHIBITS**

Exhibit Number

1 Joint announcement in relation to the completion of the Registrant's acquisition of a 51.89% indirect interest in CNPC (Hong Kong) Limited.

This announcement may contain forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements are, by their nature, subject to significant risks and uncertainties.

The words anticipate, believe, could, estimate, expect, intend, may, plan, seek, will and would expressions, as they related to the Registrant, are intended to identify a number of these forward-looking statements.

By their nature, forward-looking statements involve risks and uncertainties because they relate to events and depend on circumstances that will occur in the future and are beyond the Registrant's control. The forward-looking statements reflect the Registrant's current views with respect to future events and are not a guarantee of future performance. Actual results may differ materially from information contained in the forward-looking statements as a result of a number of factors, including, without limitation, the following:

fluctuations in crude oil and natural gas prices;

failures to achieve continued exploration success;

failures or delays in achieving production from development projects;

changes in demand for competing fuels in the target market;

continued availability of capital and financing;

general economic, market and business conditions;

changes in policies, laws or regulations of the PRC and other jurisdictions in which the Registrant and its subsidiaries conduct business; and

other factors beyond the Registrant's control.

The Registrant does not intend to update or otherwise revise the forward-looking statements in this joint announcement, whether as a result of new information, future events or otherwise. Because of these risks, uncertainties and assumptions, the forward-looking events and circumstances discussed in this joint announcement might not occur in the way the Registrant expects, or at all. Please also see the Risk Factors section of the Registrant's latest Annual Report on Form 20-F, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. You should not place undue reliance on any forward-looking statement.

**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.

PETROCHINA COMPANY LIMITED  
(Registrant)

Date: December 18, 2008

By: /s/ LI Huaiqi  
Name: LI Huaiqi  
Title: Company Secretary