

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 2012
Commission File Number 1-31318

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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**GOLD FIELDS**

MEDIA RELEASE

8,500 KDC EAST EMPLOYEES JOINS UNLAWFUL STRIKE

Johannesburg, 15 October 2012: Gold Fields Limited (Gold Fields) (JSE, NYSE, NASDAQ Dubai: GFI) regrets to announce that approximately 8,500 of the 12,400 employees at its KDC East operation (formerly Kloof Gold Mine) have started an unlawful strike, commencing with the night shift last night, 14 October, 2012.

The total number of employees now engaged in the unlawful strike at KDC East and KDC West is approximately 19,500 out of a total workforce of approximately 26,700. Production at the entire KDC has now been suspended.

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Notes to editors

About Gold Fields

Gold Fields is one of the world's largest unhedged producers of gold with attributable annualised production of 3.5 million gold equivalent ounces from eight operating mines in Australia, Ghana, Peru and South Africa. Gold Fields also has an extensive and diverse global growth pipeline with four major projects in resource development and feasibility, with construction decisions expected in the next 18 to 24 months. Gold Fields has total attributable gold equivalent Mineral Reserves of 80.6 million ounces and Mineral Resources of 217 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).

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 authorized.

GOLD FIELDS LIMITED

Date: 15 October 2012

By:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Willie Jacobsz", written in a cursive style.

Name: Mr W J Jacobsz

Title: Senior Vice President: Investor
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