

GOLD FIELDS LTD

Form 6-K

September 20, 2010

**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 September 2010

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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**MEDIA RELEASE**

**GOLD FIELDS SIGNS OPTION AGREEMENT FOR 60% INTEREST IN PHILIPPINES GOLD-COPPER FSE PROJECT**

*Johannesburg, 20 September 2010:* Gold Fields Limited (Gold Fields) (JSE, NYSE, NASDAQ Dubai: GFI) is pleased to announce that it has entered into option agreements with Lepanto Consolidated Mining Company (Lepanto), a company listed in the Philippines, and Liberty Express Assets (Liberty), a private holding company, to acquire a 60% interest in the undeveloped gold-copper Far Southeast (FSE) deposit in the Philippines.

The agreements provide Gold Fields with an 18-month option on FSE, during which time Gold Fields will conduct a major drilling programme as part of a feasibility study on FSE. Gold Fields is required to pay (i) US\$10 million in option fees to Lepanto; and (ii) US\$44 million as a non-refundable down-payment to Liberty upon signing of the option agreements.

Should Gold Fields, after a 12-month period, decide to proceed with the acquisition of the 60% interest in FSE, a further non-refundable down-payment of \$66 million will be payable to Liberty, with the final payment of US\$220 million payable at the expiration of the option period. The total pre-agreed acquisition price for a 60% interest in FSE, inclusive of all of the above payments, is US\$340 million.

FSE is located within an existing mining camp and is in close proximity to two other mines historically operated by Lepanto, one of which is currently in production. FSE has ready access to established infrastructure, including roads, tailings facilities, power and water. The existing workforce on the doorstep of FSE is part of a supportive community established around mining over the past 70 years.

While there has not been sufficient work completed to declare a mineral resource for FSE, drilling undertaken over a number of years indicates the presence of a large, concealed gold-copper mineralised porphyry system. More than 80 diamond drill holes totalling more than 35,000 metres have intersected a mineralised zone with approximate dimensions of 900 metres east-west by 900 metres north-south by 900 metres vertical. Within this zone Gold Fields considers that mineralisation is continuous. While grades are variable, the following historic drill intersections are considered typical of the mineralized zone: 691m at 2.5g/t Au, 0.9% Cu;

906.8m at 1.5g/t Au, 0.5% Cu; 613.1m at 0.8g/t Au, 0.8% Cu; 733.9m at 0.7g/t Au, 0.4% Cu; and 517.4m at 0.6g/t Au, 0.4% Cu.

Nick Holland, Chief Executive Officer of Gold Fields, said: “This transaction provides Gold Fields with a unique and exciting opportunity to gain exposure to what will undoubtedly prove to be a world-class deposit. It also advances our strategy of growing each of our three international regions to 1 million ounces, either in production or in development, by 2015.

“We now have exciting growth projects in each of the regions in which we operate. In South Africa we have the world-class developing South Deep mine, in South America we have the Chucapaca project in Peru, in West Africa the Yanfolila project in Mali, and now Far Southeast in the Philippines, which forms part of the Australasia region,” Mr Holland added.

FSE is located in the northern part of Luzon, the largest island in the Philippines.  
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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 production of 3.5 million gold equivalent ounces per annum from nine operating mines in South Africa, Ghana, Australia and Peru. Gold Fields also has

an extensive growth pipeline with both greenfields and nearmine exploration projects at various stages of development.

Gold Fields has total attributable gold equivalent Mineral Reserves of 78 million ounces and Mineral Resources of 281

million ounces. Gold Fields is listed on JSE Limited (primary listing), the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE), the NASDAQ

Dubai Limited, the Euronext in Brussels (NYX) and the Swiss Exchange (SIX).

**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: 20 September 2010

**GOLD FIELDS LIMITED**

By:

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Title: Senior Vice President: Investor  
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