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**CNOOC Limited**  
**(中國海洋石油有限公司)**

*(Incorporated in Hong Kong with limited liability under the Companies Ordinance)*

**(Stock Code: 00883)**

**2017 Business Strategy**

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The Company’s targeted net production for 2017 is 450 million to 460 million barrels of oil equivalent (BOE)\*, of which, production from China and overseas accounts for approximately 65% and 35%, respectively. The Company’s net production for 2016 is expected to be approximately 476 million BOE. The Company’s net production for 2018 and 2019 are estimated to be 455 million to 465 million BOE and 460 million to 470 million BOE, respectively.

In 2017, five new projects are expected to come on stream, among which, Penglai 19-9 oil field comprehensive adjustment and Engping 23-1 oil fields in offshore China already came on stream. The other three projects are Weizhou 12-2 oil field Phase II in offshore China, BD gas field in Indonesia and Hangingstone project in Canada. Currently, nearly 20 projects are under construction.

In 2017, the Company plans to drill 126 exploration wells and acquire approximately 13 thousand square kilometers 3-Dimensional (3D) seismic data.

The Company's total capital expenditure for 2017 is budgeted at RMB60.0 billion to RMB70.0 billion. The capital expenditures for exploration, development and production account for approximately 18%, 66% and 15%, respectively. The Company will maintain prudent financial policy, improve capital efficiency and ensure sustainable development.

*\* Including our interest in equity-accounted investees.*

By Order of the Board  
**CNOOC Limited**  
**Li Jiewen**  
*Joint Company Secretary*

Hong Kong, 19 January 2017

As at the date of this announcement, the Board comprises the following:

***Executive Directors***

Yang Hua (*Chairman*)

Yuan Guangyu

***Independent Non-executive Directors***

Chiu Sung Hong

Lawrence J. Lau

Tse Hau Yin, Aloysius

Kevin G. Lynch

***Non-executive Directors***

Liu Jian (*Vice Chairman*)

Wu Guangqi

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