

HARMONY GOLD MINING CO LTD

Form 6-K

December 14, 2011

UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

**Form 6-K**

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO

RULE 13a-16 OR 15d-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES

EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For 14 December 2011

**Harmony Gold Mining Company**

**Limited**

Randfontein Office Park

Corner Main Reef Road and Ward Avenue

Randfontein, 1759

South Africa

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

Form 20-F  Form 40-F

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.)

Yes  No

**Harmony temporarily suspends its Hidden Valley joint venture operation following an earthquake in PNG**

**Johannesburg, Wednesday, 14 December 2011.**

Harmony Gold Mining Company

Limited (“Harmony” and/or “the Company”) advises it has temporarily suspended operations at its Hidden Valley mine in Papua New Guinea (PNG) as a precautionary measure following a 7.1 magnitude earthquake in PNG early this morning (South African time).

The mine is conducting a thorough geotechnical and structural evaluation before recommencing operations. Preliminary investigations have identified no major damage. Harmony and Newcrest Mining Limited operate Hidden Valley in a 50:50 Joint Venture. Ends.

**Issued by Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited  
14 December 2011**

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**ISIN No.: ZAE000015228**

**Registration number:**

**1950/038232/06**

**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.

Dated: 14 December 2011,

Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited

By:

/s/ Hannes Meyer

Name: Hannes Meyer

Title: Financial Director