

HARMONY GOLD MINING CO LTD

Form 6-K

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UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO

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

EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

For the Month of March 2005

Commission File Number: 001-31545

Harmony Gold Mining Company Limited

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Suite No. 1

Private Bag X1

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South Africa

(Address of principal executive offices)

(Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover of

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Form 20-F or Form 40-F.)

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(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 Gold Mining Company Limited

(Incorporated in the Republic of South Africa)

(Registration number 1950/038232/06)

Share code: HAR ISIN: ZAE000015228

(Harmony)

NEWS RELEASE FROM HARMONY

7 March 2005

Harmony receives licence to mine in Papua New Guinea

Harmony is pleased to confirm that on Friday March 4, the Minister of Mines of Papua New Guinea, The Honourable Mr Sam Akotai, announced that Harmony has been granted the licence to develop and mine the Hidden Valley project. The license is effective immediately.

The licence was granted after a comprehensive licensing process, including intensive reviews of all of Harmony's environmental plans under Papua New Guinea's newly-enacted, strict environmental legislation.

CE Bernard Swanepoel said that feasibility studies Harmony has conducted corroborate a robust project which is anticipated to produce on average in excess of 300 000 ounces of gold and 4.5 moz of silver per annum from a proven reserve of 1.88 moz of gold and 25.5 moz of silver. Harmony currently produces approximately 300 000 oz of gold per annum from its Australian operations.

Over and above the proven reserves which formed the basis of our feasibility study and decision to proceed with the project, the mine life will be extended by extensive inferred resources in the immediate area of the mine, said CE Bernard Swanepoel. We also control many exciting prospects in this well-mineralised belt which will be processed through the Hidden Valley Plant.

Swanepoel says he anticipates construction of an open pit mine to commence in mid-2005 and that the first gold will be poured in early 2007.

We expect our cash operating costs to be approximately US\$224 per ounce.

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Harmony holds the rights to develop and mine the Hidden Valley project through its wholly-owned PNG subsidiary. Nearby, are Harmony's world-class Wafi and Golpu projects, which are currently the subject of a pre-feasibility study.

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The directors of Harmony accept responsibility for the information contained in this announcement. To the best of the knowledge and belief of the directors of Harmony (who have taken all reasonable care to ensure that such is the case), the information contained in this announcement is in accordance with the facts and does not omit anything likely to affect the import of such information.

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