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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

December 17, 2003

Commission File Number 001-16625

BUNGE LIMITED

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

50 Main Street
White Plains, New York 10606
(Address of principal executive offices)

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Yes No X

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This report on Form 6-K shall be incorporated by reference into the Registration Statements on Form F-3 (Registration Nos. 333-104974, 333-106182, 333-107376, 333-108441-01 and 333-109309), as amended, and the Registration Statement on Form F-4 (Registration Statement No. 333-108462), as amended, filed by Bunge Limited Finance Corp. and Bunge Limited under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and the Registration Statements on Form S-8 (Registration Nos.

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333-66594, 333-75762, 333-76938 and 333-109446) filed by Bunge Limited under the Securities Act of 1933, to the extent not superseded by documents or reports subsequently filed under the Securities Act of 1933 or the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit 1 Press release, dated December 17, 2003, announcing declaration of quarterly cash dividend.

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.

BUNGE LIMITED

Date: December 17, 2003 By: /s/ William M. Wells

William M. Wells Chief Financial Officer