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Registration No. 333-127711

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO FORM F-3

REGISTRATION STATEMENT UNDER THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

RANDGOLD RESOURCES LIMITED

(Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Not applicable

(Translation of the Registrant's name in English)

Jersey, Channel Islands (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization)

In addition, any person or company, other than us, will not be liable if that person or company proves that:

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- (a) this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus was sent or delivered to the purchaser without the person's or company's knowledge or consent and that, on becoming aware of its delivery, the person or company gave reasonable general notice that it was delivered without the person's or company's knowledge or consent;
- (b) after delivery of this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus and before the purchase of the ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs by the purchaser, on becoming aware of any misrepresentation in this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus the person or company withdrew the person's or company's consent to the Prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus, and gave reasonable general notice of the withdrawal and the reason for it; or
- (c) with respect to any part of this prospectus or any amendment to the Prospectus purporting (i) to be made on the authority of an expert, or (ii) to be a copy of, or an extract from, a report, an opinion or a statement of an expert, the person or company had no reasonable grounds to believe and did not believe that (A) there had been a misrepresentation, or (B) the relevant part of this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus did not fairly represent the report, opinion or statement of the expert, or was not a fair copy of, or an extract from, the report, opinion or statement of the expert.

Not applicable

Furthermore, no person or company, other than ourselves, will be liable with respect to any part of this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus not purporting (a) to be made on the authority of an expert or (b) to be a copy of, or an extract from, a report, opinion or statement of an expert, unless the person or company (i) failed to conduct a reasonable investigation to provide reasonable grounds for a belief that there had been no misrepresentation or (ii) believed that there had been a misrepresentation.

Pursuant to section 130.1 of the Securities Act (Newfoundland and Labrador), purchasers in Newfoundland and Labrador may be entitled to a right of action for damages or rescission. Section 130 provides, in relevant part, that in the event that this prospectus, together with any amendments thereto, contains a misrepresentation, a purchaser of ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs will be deemed to have relied upon such misrepresentation if it was a misrepresentation at the time of purchase and has, subject to certain limitations and defences, a statutory right of action for damages against us, and subject to certain defences, every director at the date of this prospectus and every person who signed this prospectus, or amendment thereto. Alternatively, the owner of the purchased ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs may instead elect to exercise a statutory right of rescission against us, in which case the purchaser shall have no right of action for damages against us, the directors or persons who have signed the Prospectus.

Other limitations to an action by purchasers include:

- (a) no liability where it is proven that the purchaser purchased the ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs with knowledge of the misrepresentation;
- (b) in the case of an action for damages, no person will be liable for all or any portion of the damages that it proves do not represent the depreciation in value of the ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs as a result of the misrepresentation relied upon; and
- (c) in no case will the amount recoverable in any action exceed the price at which the ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs were offered to the purchaser.

In addition, any person or company, other than us, will not be liable if that person or company proves that:

(a) this prospectus, or any amendment thereto, was sent or delivered to the purchaser without the person's or company's knowledge or consent and that, on becoming aware of its delivery, the person or company gave reasonable general notice that it was delivered without the person's or company's knowledge or consent;

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- (b) after delivery of this prospectus, or any amendment thereto, and before the purchase of the ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs by the purchaser, on becoming aware of any misrepresentation in this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus the person or company withdrew the person's or company's consent to this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus, and gave reasonable general notice of the withdrawal and the reason for it; or
- (c) with respect to any part of this prospectus, or any amendment thereto, purporting (i) to be made on the authority of an expert, or (ii) to be a copy of, or an extract from, a report, an opinion or a statement of an expert, the person or company had no reasonable grounds to believe and did not believe that (A) there had been a misrepresentation, or (B) the relevant part of this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus did not fairly represent the report, opinion or statement of the expert, or was not a fair copy of, or an extract from, the report, opinion or statement of the expert.

If a misrepresentation is contained in a record incorporated by reference into, or deemed incorporated by reference into, this prospectus, or any amendment thereto, the misrepresentation is deemed to be contained in this prospectus or any amendment to this prospectus.

The foregoing summary is subject to the express provisions of the Securities Act (Ontario), the Securities Act (Nova Scotia), the Securities Act (Newfoundland and Labrador) and the rules, regulations and other instruments thereunder and reference is made to the complete text of such provisions contained therein. Such provisions may contain limitations and statutory defences on which the Issuer may rely. **Prospective purchasers should refer to the applicable provisions of relevant securities legislation and are advised to consult their own legal advisers as to which, or whether any of such rights or other rights may be available to them. The enforceability of these rights may be limited as described below.**

The rights of action discussed above will be granted to the purchasers to whom such rights are conferred upon acceptance by the relevant dealer of the purchase price for the ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs. The rights discussed above are in addition to and without derogation from any other right or remedy which purchasers may have at law. Similar rights may be available to investors resident in other Canadian jurisdictions under local provincial securities laws.

Upon receipt of this document, you hereby confirm that you have expressly requested that all documents evidencing or relating in any way to the offer and/or sale of the ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or ADSs (including for greater certainty any purchase confirmation or any notice) be drawn up in the English language only. Par la réception de ce document, vous confirmez par les présentes que vous avez expressément exigé que tous les documents faisant foi ou se rapportant de quelque manière que ce soit à l'offre ou à la vente des valeurs mobilières décrites aux présentes (incluant, pour plus de certitude, toute confirmation d'achat ou tout avis) soient rédigés en anglais seulement.

We are incorporated under the laws of Jersey, Channel Islands. All or substantially all of the directors and officers may be located outside of Canada and, as a result, it may not be possible for Canadian investors to effect service of process within Canada upon us or such persons. All or a substantial portion of our assets and such other persons may be located outside of Canada and, as a result, it may not be possible to satisfy a judgement against us or such persons in Canada or to enforce a judgement obtained in Canadian courts against us or such persons outside of Canada.

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OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION

We estimate the fees and expenses to be incurred in connection with the issuance and distribution of the ordinary shares and ADSs in the offering, other than underwriting discounts and commissions, to be as follows:

SEC registration fee	\$ 13,032
NASD filing fee	11,600
Legal fees and expenses	710,000
Accounting fees and expenses	400,000
Printing and engraving costs	90,000
Blue sky fees and miscellaneous expenses	50,000
Total	\$ 1,274,632

All of these estimated fees and expenses will be paid by us.

EXPERTS

Our audited financial statements as of December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004, incorporated by reference in this prospectus, have been so included in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, independentiate (Primary Standard Industrial Classification Code Number) (IRS Employer Identification No.)

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(Address and telephone number of Registrant's principal executive offices)

The audited financial statements of Société des Mines de Morila SA as of December 31, 2004, 2003 and 2002, and for each of the three years in the period ended December 31, 2004, incorporated by reference in this prospectus, have been so included in reliance on the report of PricewaterhouseCoopers Inc., independent accountants, given upon the authority of said firm as experts in auditing and accounting.

The information incorporated by reference in this prospectus with respect to our reserves pertaining to our mining sites in Mali has been reviewed by SRK Consulting, and has been included ng-left:0pt; padding-right:0pt; margin: 0pt; text-indent: 0pt; padding-bottom: 0pt; background-color: #ffffff;">CT Corporation System 111 Eighth Avenue New York, New York 10011 (212) 894-8940

(Name, address and telephone number of agent for service)

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Approximate date of commencement of proposed sale to public: As soon as practicable after this Registration Statement becomes effective.

If only securities being registered on this Form are being offered pursuant to dividend or interest reinvestment plans, please check the following box.

If any of the securities being registered on this Form are to be offered on a delayed or continuous basis pursuant to Rule 415 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the "Securities Act"), check the following box.

If this Form is filed to register additional securities for an offering pursuant to Rule 462(b) under the Securities Act, please check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If this Form is a post-effective amendment filed pursuant to Rule 462(c) under the Securities Act, check the following box and list the Securities Act registration statement number of the earlier effective registration statement for the same offering.

If delivery of the prospectus is expected to be made pursuant to Rule 434, please check the following box.

The Registrant hereby amends this Registration Statement on such date or dates as may be necessary to delay its effective date until the Registrant shall file a further amendment which specifically states that this Registration Statement shall thereafter become effective in accordance with Section 8(a) of the Securities Act or until the Registration Statement shall become effective on such date as the Commission, acting pursuant to said Section 8(a), may determine.

The information in this prospectus is not complete and may be changed. We may not sell these securities until the registration statement filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission is effective. This prospectus is not an offer to sell these securities and it is not soliciting an offer to buy these securities in any state where the offer or sale is not permitted or otherwise. As Randgold Resources Limited is a Jersey company, no offer to sell any interest(s) in the company shall be made until the final form of this prospectus has been approved by the registrar of companies in Jersey. This document is therefore being issued in preliminary form and for information purposes only.

SUBJECT TO COMPLETION, DATED OCTOBER 26, 2005

PROSPECTUS

7,000,000 Ordinary Shares in the form of ordinary shares or American Depositary Shares

RANDGOLD RESOURCES LIMITED

(organized under the laws of Jersey, Channel Islands)

We are offering ordinary shares in the form of ordinary shares or American Depositary Shares, or ADSs. Each ADS represents the right to receive one of our ordinary shares. The offering of ADSs is part of a global offering of 7,000,000 ordinary shares, including ordinary shares being offered for sale in the United States and ordinary shares being offered for sale outside of the United States. The price per ordinary share will be identical for both offerings.

Our ADSs are listed on the Nasdaq National Market under the symbol "GOLD". Our ordinary shares are listed and traded on the London Stock Exchange under the symbol "RRS". On October 25, 2005, the last reported price for our

ADSs on the Nasdaq National Market was \$14.84 per share.

Investing in our ordinary shares or ADSs involves risks. See "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8.

We have granted the underwriters a 30-day option to purchase up to a total of 1,050,000 additional ordinary shares, including ordinary shares in the form of ADSs, to cover over-allotments, if any. If this option is exercised in full, the proceeds before expenses to us will be \$

Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any state securities commission has approved or disapproved of these securities or determined if this prospectus is truthful or complete. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.

HSBC, on behalf of the underwriters, expects to deliver the ordinary shares and ADSs to purchasers on or about , 2005.

Global Coordinator and Bookrunner

HSBC

BMO Nesbitt Burns RBC Capital Markets

, 2005

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The validity of the ordinary shares and the ADSs offered by this prospectus will be passed upon for us by our Jersey counsel, Ogier & Le Masurier. Certain legal matters relating to this offering will be passed upon by Fulbright & Jaworski L.L.P., our special U.S. counsel. Ashurst are acting as English counsel to us in connection with this offering. Certain legal matters relating to this offering will be passed upon by Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton LLP, special U.S. and English counsel to the underwriters.

WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION

We have filed with the SEC a registration statement, of which this prospectus constitutes a part, on Form F-3, with respect to the ordinary shares and ADSs being sold in this offering. This prospectus does not contain all of the information set forth in the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules to the registration statement, because some parts have been omitted in accordance with rules and regulations of the SEC. For further information about us and the ADSs being sold in this offering, please refer to the registration statement and the exhibits and schedules filed as a part of the registration statement.

We file annual reports on Form 20-F and periodic reports on Form 6-K with the SEC. You may read and copy any information filed with the SEC at the SEC's Public Reference Room at 100 Fifth Street, N.E., Room 1580, Washington, D.C. 20549. You can also request copies of the documents, upon payment of a duplicating fee, by writing to the Public Reference Section of the SEC. Please call the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330 for further information on the operation of the Public Reference Room.

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Our SEC filings are also available to the public from the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. The SEC website contains reports, proxy and information statements and other information regarding registrants that make electronic filings with the SEC using its EDGAR system. We are required to file annual reports on Form 20-F and submit reports on Form 6-K and other information with the SEC through the EDGAR system. The information contained in the SEC website is not a part of this prospectus.

We will also furnish to each person, including any beneficial owner, to whom a prospectus for this offering is delivered, a copy of any or all of the information that has been incorporated by reference in this prospectus but not delivered with this prospectus. You may request this information, at no cost, by writing or telephoning us at La Motte Chambers, La Motte Street, St. Helier, Jersey JE1 1BJ Channel Islands, telephone +44 1534 735 333.

Mr. David Haddon is our Company Secretary, and his address is c/o Randgold Resources Limited, La Motte Chambers, La Motte Street, St. Helier, Jersey JE1 1BJ Channel Islands. Mr. Haddon holds a BA LLB.

DESCRIPTION OF AMERICAN DEPOSITARY RECEIPTS EXCHANGE CONTROLS AND OTHER LIMITATIONS AFFECTING SECURITY HOLDERS TAXATION

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PLAN OF DISTRIBUTION OTHER EXPENSES OF ISSUANCE AND DISTRIBUTION

59 The SEC allows us to "incorporate by reference" into this prospectus the information we file with the SEC. This means that we can disclose important information to you by referring you to another document that we have filed separately with the SEC. The information incorporated by reference is considered to be part

of this prospectus. Any information that we file later with the SEC and that is deemed or identified by us as being incorporated by reference will automatically update and supersede information in this prospectus. In all such cases, you should rely on the later information over different information included in this prospectus.

This prospectus incorporates by reference the following documents:

• our annual report on Form 20-F for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2004, as amended by Amendment No. 1 on Form 20-F/A filed on September 23, 2005, Amendment No. 2 filed on October 12, 2005, Amendment No. 3 filed on October 19, 2005 and Amendment No. 4 filed on October 26, 2005;

- our current report on Form 6-K, as furnished to the SEC on August 26, 2005; and
- the description of our ordinary shares contained in our Registration Statement on Form 8-A filed on June 27, 2002, including any amendment or report updating this description.

In addition, unless otherwise stated in this prospectus, all documents we subse: #000000; font-weight: normal; font-style: normal;background-color: #ffffff;">67 67 67 67 68

EXPERTS VALIDITY OF SECURITIES WHERE YOU CAN FIND MORE INFORMATION ENFORCEABILITY OF CIVIL LIABILITIES

We are incorporated in Jersey, Channel Islands. All of our directors and executive officers, except for Mr. R.I. Israel and Mr. P. Liétard, and some of the experts named in this prospectus, reside outside of the United States. Substantially all of the asyle="font-size: 9pt; color: #000000; border-bottom: 3px double #ffffff;padding-left: Opt; text-indent: Opt;padding-top: Opt; background-color: #ffffff;" align="left" valign="top" colspan="3">ENFORCEABILITY OF CIVIL LIABILITIES INDEX TO UNAUDITED CONSOLIDATED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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In connection with the offering, HSBC Securities (USA) Inc. or its affiliates acting on its behalf, each acting on behalf of the underwriters (the "Stabilizing Person") may engage in transactions that stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of our ordinary shares. These transactions may include stabilization transactions effected in accordance with Rule 104 of Regulation M under sets of these persons and substantially all of our assets are located outside the United States. As a result, it may not be possible for investors to effect service of process on these persons or us within the United States, or to enforce against these persons or us, either inside or outside the United States, a judgment obtained in a United States court predicated upon the civil liability provisions of the Federal securities or other laws of the United States or any state thereof. A foreign judgment is not directly enforceable in Jersey, but constitutes a cause of action which will be enforced by Jersey courts provided that:

- the court which pronounced the judgment has jurisdiction to entertain the case according to the principles recognized by Jersey law with reference to the jurisdiction of the foreign courts;
- the judgment is final and conclusive; it cannot be altered by the courts which pronounced it;

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• there is payable pursuant to a judgment a sum of money, not being a sum payable in respect of tax or other charges of a like nature or in respect of a fine or other penalty;

- the judgment has not been prescribed;
- the courts of the foreign country have jurisdiction in the circumstances of the case;
- the judgment was not obtained by fraud; and

the recognition and enforcement of the judgment is not contrary to public policy in Jersey, No dealer, salesperson or other other including observance of the rules of natural justice which require that documents in the United person is authorized to give any States proceeding were properly served on the defendant and that the defendant was given the

information or to representright to be heard and represented by counsel in a free and fair trial before an impartial tribunal. anything not contained in this prospectus. You must not rely on any unauthorized information or representations. This prospectus is an offer to sell only the ordinary shares and ADSs offered hereby, but only under circumstances and in jurisdictions where it is lawful to do so. The information contained in this prospectus is current only as of its date.
A copy of this document has

been delivered to the registrar of companies in Jersey in accordance with Article 5 of the Companies (General Provisions) (Jersey) Order 2002, as amended, and the registrar has given, and has not withdrawn, consent to its circulation. The Jersey **Financial Services Commission** has given, and has not withdrawn, its consent under Article 2 of the Control of Borrowing (Jersey) Order 1958, as amended, to the issue of shares by Randgold Resources Limited. It must be distinctly understood that, in giving these consents, neither the registrar of companies in Jersey nor the Jersey Financial Services Commission takes any responsibility for the financial soundness of Randgold Resources Limited or for the correctness of any statements made, or opinions expressed, with regard to it. If you are in any doubt about the contents of this document, you should consult your stockbroker, bank manager, solicitor, accountant or other financial advisor.

Our directors have taken all reasonable care to ensure that the facts stated in this document are true and accurate in all material respects, and that there are no other facts the omission of which would make misleading any statement in the document, whether of facts or of opinion. All the directors accept responsibility accordingly.

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PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL INFORMATION

We are incorporated under the laws of Jersey, Channel Islands with the majority of our operations located in west Africa. Our books of account are maintained in U.S. dollars and our annual and interim financial statements are prepared on a historical cost basis in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards, or IFRS. IFRS differs in certain significant respects from generally accepted accounting principles in the United States, or U.S. GAAP. Our Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2004 (as amended), or 2004 20-F, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus, includes a discussion of the relevant differences between IFRS and U.S. GAAP. In addition, note ormal;color:#000000;font-size: 10pt; padding-top: 6pt; padding-left: 20pt; text-align:

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It is the policy of Jersey courts to award compensation for the loss or damage actually sustained by the person to whom the compensation is awarded. Although the award of punitive damages is generally unknown to the Jersey legal system, that does not mean that awards of punitive damages are not necessarily contrary to public policy. Whether a judgment was contrary to public policy depends on the facts of each case. Exorbitant, unconscionable, or excessive awards will generally be contrary to public policy. Jersey courts cannot enter into the merits of the foreign judgment and cannot act as a court of appeal or review over the foreign courts. Jersey courts will usually implement their own procedural laws and, where an action based on an international contract is brought before a Jersey court, the capacity of the parties to the contract will usually be determined in accordance with the Jersey Law. It is doubtful whether an original action based on United States Federal securities laws can be brought before Jersey courts. A plaintiff who is not resident in Jersey may be required to provide security for costs in the event of proceedings being initiated in Jersey. Furthermore the rules of the Royal Court of Jersey require that documents executed outside Jersey must be authenticated for the purpose of use in Jersey.

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FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

This prospectus, including the sections herein and in our 2004 20-F, which is incorporated by reference in this prospectus, entitled "Prospectus Summary," "Risk Factors," "Operating and Financial Review and Prospects" and "Business," contains forward-looking information. In some cases, you can identify forward-looking statements by phrases such as "in our view," "we cannot assure you," or "there is no way to anticipate with certainty" as well as by terminology such as "may," "will," "should," "expects," "intends," "plans," "objectives," "goals," "aims," "projects," "forecasts," "possible," "seeks," "could," "might," "likely," "enable," "anticipates," "believes," "estimates," "predicts," "potential" or "continue," or the negative of these terms or other comparable terminology. These statements generally constitute statements of expectation, intent and anticipation and may be inaccurate. Actual events or results may differ materially. In evaluating these statements, you should specifically consider various factors, including the risks outlined under "Risk Factors." These factors may cause our actual results to differ materially from any forward-looking statement. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in the forwarding-looking statements are reasonable, we cannot guarantee future results, levels of activity, performance or achievements.

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Except as required by law, or unless required to do s Authority, we undertake no obligation to update pub forward-looking statements to reflect events or circu or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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PROSPECTUS SUMMARY

This summary highlights the material information of You should read the entire prospectus, as well as our reference in this prospectus, carefully before decidin especially the discussion of risks of investing in our under "Risk Factors" beginning on page 8 of this proreferences in this prospectus to "we", "our" and "us" including its subsidiaries and joint ventures.

Our Business

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We engage in gold mining, exploration and related a west and east Africa, some of the most promising ar own one half of Morila Limited, or the Morila joint Morila SA, the owner of the Morila mine in Mali. W Loulo in western Mali, of which we own 80%. In ad in the neighboring country of Côte d'Ivoire, as well a Mali, Côte d'Ivoire, Burkina Faso and Senegal and e

Our strategy is to achieve superior returns on equity exploitation of resource opportunities, focusing on g deposits, either from our own phased exploration pro mature exploration programs. We actively manage b development properties and our risk exposure to any

The following table summarizes our reserves as of L June 30, 2005 for Loulo:

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