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February 13, 2003

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

February 13, 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)

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

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Yes No X  
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EXHIBITS

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Exhibit 1            Press release dated February 13, 2003 announcing expiration of  
Hart-Scott-Rodino waiting period for Bunge Limited-Dupont  
joint venture

## SIGNATURES

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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.

Date: February 13, 2003

Bunge Limited

By: /s/ William M. Wells

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William M. Wells  
Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit 1

[BUNGE Logo]

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### HART-SCOTT-RODINO WAITING PERIOD EXPIRES ON BUNGE LIMITED - DUPONT JOINT VENTURE

WHITE PLAINS, NY - February 13, 2002 - Bunge Limited (NYSE: BG) today announced  
that the waiting period under the Hart-Scott-Rodino Antitrust Improvements Act  
of 1976 has expired concerning the company's proposed joint venture with DuPont.  
Formation of the joint venture requires additional regulatory approvals.

Bunge and DuPont announced their intention to form a joint venture of their soy  
ingredient businesses on January 6, 2003. The joint venture, Solae L.L.C., will  
participate in the rapidlygrowing market for high-quality, nutritious food  
proteins. It is expected to begin later this year, with total initial annual  
revenues of approximately \$800 million.

About Bunge Limited

Bunge Limited ([www.bunge.com](http://www.bunge.com)) is an integrated, international agribusiness and

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food company operating in the farm-to-consumer food chain with worldwide distribution capabilities and primary operations in North America, South America and Europe. Headquartered in White Plains, New York, Bunge has over 24,000 employees and locations in 28 countries. Bunge is the largest processor of soybeans in the Americas, the world's leading oilseed processing company, the largest producer and supplier of fertilizers to farmers in South America and the world's leading seller of bottled vegetable oils to consumers.

### Cautionary Statement Concerning Forward-Looking Statements

This press release contains both historical and forward-looking statements. All statements, other than statements of historical fact are, or may be deemed to be, forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended. These forward-looking statements are not based on historical facts, but rather reflect our current expectations and projections about our future results, performance, prospects and opportunities. We have tried to identify these forward-looking statements by using words including "may," "will," "expect," "anticipate," "believe," "intend," "estimate" and "continue" and similar expressions. These forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause our actual results, performance, prospects or opportunities to differ materially from those expressed in, or implied by, these forward-looking statements. The following important factors, among others, could affect future results, causing them to differ materially from those expressed in our forward-looking statements: our ability to complete, integrate and benefit from acquisitions, divestitures, joint ventures and alliances, , estimated demand for commodities and other products that we sell and use in our business; industry conditions, including the cyclical nature of the agribusiness industry; economic and political conditions in Brazil and Argentina; and other economic,

business, competitive and/or regulatory factors affecting our business generally. The forward-looking statements included in this release are made only as of the date of this release, and except as otherwise required by federal securities law, we do not have any obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements to reflect subsequent events or circumstances.