

CHINA LIFE INSURANCE CO LTD

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

FORM 6-K

Report of Foreign Private Issuer

Pursuant to Rule 13a-16 or 15d-16 of the

Securities Exchange Act of 1934

January 16, 2009

China Life Insurance Company Limited

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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China Life Insurance Company Limited issued an announcement on January 15, 2009, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto.

EXHIBIT LIST

Exhibit	Description
99.1	Announcement, dated January 15, 2009

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.

China Life Insurance Company Limited
(Registrant)

By: /s/ Wan Feng
(Signature)

January 16, 2009

Name: Wan Feng
Title: President and Executive Director

CHINA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

(A joint stock limited company incorporated in the People's Republic of China with limited liability)

(the Company)

(Stock Code: 2628)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF PREMIUM INCOME

This announcement is made to publish the information on the unaudited accumulated premiums income of the Company to be released on China Insurance Regulatory Commission (**CIRC**)'s website.

Reference is made to the Company's announcement dated 27 August 2004.

The unaudited accumulated premiums income of the Company for the period from 1 January 2008 to 31 December 2008 was about RMB295.6 billion. The figure is to be released on CIRC's website at www.circ.gov.cn.

The above information on premium income is unaudited. With effect from 1 January 2007 the Company has adopted the new Accounting Standards for Business Enterprises (**ASBEs**) issued by the Ministry of Finance of the People's Republic of China. The ASBEs define insurance contract as an agreement specifying the contractual rights and obligations between the insurer and the applicants, and specifying the insurer's undertaking of insurable risks occurred to the insured. Almost all Company's insurance products falls under the definition of the insurance contract and the insurance premium is hence recognized as premium income. PRC Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (**PRC GAAP**) is different from Hong Kong Financial Reporting Standard (**HKFRS**) adopted by the Company in the preparation of its financial statements.

By Order of the Board of Directors

Heng Kwo Seng

Company Secretary

As at the date of this announcement, the board of directors of the Company comprises of:

Executive directors:	Yang Chao, Wan Feng, Lin Dairen, Liu Yingqi
Non-executive directors:	Miao Jianmin, Shi Guoqing, Zhuang Zuojin
Independent non-executive directors:	Long Yongtu, Sun Shuyi, Ma Yongwei, Chau Tak Hay, Cai Rang, Ngai Wai Fung

Hong Kong, 15 January 2009