Ship Finance International LTD Form 6-K September 26, 2012

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

#### FORM 6-K

#### REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER PURSUANT TO

#### RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 UNDER THE SECURITIES

**EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934** 

For the month of September 2012
Commission File Number: 001-32199

Ship Finance International Limited

(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Par-la-Ville Place
14 Par-la-Ville Road
Hamilton, HM 08, Bermuda

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## INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a copy of the press release of Ship Finance International Limited (the "Company"), dated September 24, 2012, announcing the resolutions passed at the Company's 2012 Annual General Meeting that was held on September 21, 2012.

EXHIBIT 1

## SFL - 2012 Annual General Meeting

Ship Finance International Limited (the "Company") advises that the 2012 Annual General Meeting of the Company was held on September 21, 2012 at 12:00 Noon at the Elbow Beach Hotel, 60 South Shore Road, Paget PG04, Bermuda. The following resolutions were passed:

- 1) To re-elect Hans Petter Aas as a Director of the Company.
- 2) To re-elect Paul Leand, Jr., as a Director of the Company.
- 3) To re-elect Kate Blankenship as a Director of the Company.
- 4) To re-elect Cecilie Fredriksen as a Director of the Company.
- 5) To elect Harald Thorstein as a Director of the Company.
- 6) To re-appoint Moore Stephens, P.C. as auditors and to authorise the Directors to determine their remuneration.
- 7) That the remuneration payable to the Company's Board of Directors of a total amount of fees not to exceed US\$550,000.00 be approved for the year ended December 31, 2012.

In addition, the audited consolidated financial statements for Ship Finance International Limited for the year ended December 31, 2011 were presented to the Meeting.

September 21, 2012 The Board of Directors Ship Finance International Limited Hamilton, Bermuda

#### **About Ship Finance**

Ship Finance is a major ship owning company listed on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: SFL). Including newbuildings, the Company has a fleet of 67 vessels, including 25 crude oil tankers (VLCC and Suezmax), two chemical tankers, three oil/bulk/ore vessels, 12 drybulk carriers including two newbuildings, 15 container vessels including four newbuildings, six offshore supply vessels, one jack-up drilling rig, one ultra-deepwater drillship and two ultra-deepwater semi-submersible drilling rigs. The fleet is one of the largest in the world and most of the vessels are employed on long-term charters.

More information can be found on the Company's website: www.shipfinance.org

Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward Looking Statements

This press release may contain forward looking statements. These statements are based upon various assumptions, many of which are based, in turn, upon further assumptions, including Ship Finance management's examination of historical operating trends. Although Ship Finance believes that these assumptions were reasonable when made, because assumptions are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies which are difficult or impossible to predict and are beyond its control, Ship Finance cannot give assurance that it will achieve or accomplish these expectations, beliefs or intentions.

Important factors that, in the Company's view, could cause actual results to differ materially from those discussed in this presentation include the strength of world economies and currencies, general market conditions including fluctuations in charter hire rates and vessel values, changes in demand in the tanker market as a result of changes in OPEC's petroleum production levels and worldwide oil consumption and storage, changes in the Company's operating expenses including bunker prices, dry-docking and insurance costs, changes in governmental rules and regulations or actions taken by regulatory authorities, potential liability from pending or future litigation, general domestic and international political conditions, potential disruption of shipping routes due to accidents or political events, and other important factors described from time to time in the reports filed by the Company with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission.

## **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.

## SHIP FINANCE INTERNATIONAL LIMITED

Date: September 26, 2012 By: /s/ Ole B. Hjertaker

Name: Ole B. Hjertaker

Title: Ship Finance Management AS

(Principal Executive Officer)