

RIO TINTO PLC
Form 6-K
January 17, 2017

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 6-K

REPORT OF FOREIGN PRIVATE ISSUER
PURSUANT TO RULE 13A-16 OR 15D-16 OF
THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

17 January 2017

Commission file number: 001-10533

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Rio Tinto plc

Rio Tinto Limited

ABN 96 004 458 404

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(Address of principal executive offices)

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EXHIBITS

99.1 17 January 2017 Fourth quarter 2016 operations review

SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrants have duly caused this report to be signed on their behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorised.

Rio Tinto plc

(Registrant)

By /s/ Steve Allen

Name Steve Allen

Title Company Secretary

Date 17 January 2017

Rio Tinto Limited

(Registrant)

By /s/ Steve Allen

Name Steve Allen

Title Joint Company Secretary

17 January 2017

