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UNITED STATES

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

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Specialized Disclosure Report

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited

(Translation of Registrant s Name Into English)

No. 8, Li-Hsin Road 6, Hsinchu Science Park Hsinchu, Taiwan Republic of China

(Address of principal executive offices)

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(Name and telephone number, including area code, of person to contact in connection with this report)

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Rule 13p-1 under the Securities Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13p-1) for the reporting period from January 1 to December 31, 2017.

Section 1 - Conflict Minerals Disclosure

Items 1.01 and 1.02 Conflict Minerals Disclosure and Report, Exhibit

Conflict Minerals Disclosure

Attached as Exhibit 1.01 hereto please see the Conflict Minerals Report for Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited (TSMC) for the reporting period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017 which is also publicly available at http://www.tsmc.com/english/investorRelations/sec_filings.htm or www.sec.gov.

TSMC s conflict minerals disclosure and the description of its due diligence framework are included in its Conflict Minerals Report and incorporated by reference herein.

Section 2 Exhibits

Item 2.01 Exhibits

Exhibit 1.01 TSMC Conflict Minerals Report for the reporting period January 1, 2017 to December 31, 2017.

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 duly authorized undersigned.

Taiwan Semiconductor Manufacturing Company Limited

/s/ J.K. Lin J.K. Lin Vice President Date: May 28, 2018

/s/ Sylvia Fang Sylvia Fang Vice President and General Counsel

Date: May 28, 2018

EXHIBIT INDEX

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Number Description

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