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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

For the month of May 2017

Commission file number: 001-10533 Commission file number: 001-34121

Rio Tinto plc

Rio Tinto Limited
ABN 96 004 458 404

(Translation of registrant's name into English) (Translation of registrant's name into English)

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EXHIBITS

99.1 12 May 2017

Rio Tinto share buyback programme

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 1 June 2017

Rio Tinto Limited

(Registrant)

By /s/ Steve Allen Name Steve Allen

Title Joint Company Secretary

1 June 2017

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