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Form 8-K  
October 29, 2004

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

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

DATE OF REPORT (DATE OF EARLIEST EVENT REPORTED) OCTOBER 28, 2004

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD.  
(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

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| BERMUDA<br>(State or Other Jurisdiction of<br>Incorporation or Organization) | 000-49887<br>(Commission File Number) | 980363970<br>(I.R.S. Employer<br>Identification No.) |
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| 2ND FL. INTERNATIONAL TRADING CENTRE<br>WARRENS<br>PO BOX 905E<br>ST. MICHAEL, BARBADOS<br>(Address of principal executive offices) | N/A<br>(Zip Code) |
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(246) 421-9471  
(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A  
(Former name or former address, if changed since last report.)

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

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### ITEM 5.02. DEPARTURE OF DIRECTORS OR PRINCIPAL OFFICERS; ELECTION OF DIRECTORS; APPOINTMENT OF PRINCIPAL OFFICERS.

On October 28, 2004, the Company issued a press release announcing that it has appointed Alexander M. Knaster to its Board of Directors. Mr. Knaster will serve as a Class I Director of the Company and a member of its Governance and Nominating Committee. There is no arrangement or understanding between Mr. Knaster and any other person pursuant to which he was selected as a director, and there are no related party transactions between Mr. Knaster and the Company. A copy of the Company's press release announcing Mr. Knaster's appointment is attached as Exhibit 99.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

### ITEM 9.01. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND EXHIBITS

- (c) Exhibits (numbered in accordance with Item 601 of Regulation S-K).

| EXHIBIT NO.<br>----- | DOCUMENT DESCRIPTION<br>-----                           |
|----------------------|---|
| 99.1                 | Press release issued by the Company on October 28, 2004 |

#### SIGNATURE

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 hereunto duly authorized.

NABORS INDUSTRIES LTD.

Date: October 29, 2004

By: /s/ Daniel McLachlin

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Daniel McLachlin  
Vice President-Administration &  
Secretary

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