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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 August 2018

Commission File Number: 001-16601

FRONTLINE LTD.
(Translation of registrant's name into English)

Par-la-Ville Place, 14 Par-la-Ville Road, Hamilton, HM 08, Bermuda
(Address of principal executive offices)

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INFORMATION CONTAINED IN THIS FORM 6-K REPORT

Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a copy of the press release issued by Frontline Ltd. (the "Company") on August 22, 2018, reporting the Company's results for the second quarter and six months ended June 30, 2018.

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.

FRONTLINE LTD.
(registrant)

Dated: August 29, 2018 By: /s/ Inger M. Klemp
Name: Inger M.
Klemp
Title: Principal
Financial Officer

EXHIBIT 1

FRONTLINE LTD. REPORTS RESULTS FOR THE SECOND QUARTER AND SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 2018

Frontline Ltd. (the "Company" or "Frontline"), today reported unaudited results for the three and six months ended June 30, 2018:

Highlights

Net loss attributable to the Company for the second quarter of 2018 of \$22.9 million, or \$0.13 per share which, when adjusted for certain non-cash items, was \$27.7 million, or \$0.16 per share.

Spot TCE of \$17,000 for ECO VLCCs and \$13,200 for VLCCs less than 15 years in the second quarter.

Spot TCE of \$21,700 booked for 82% of vessel days on VLCCs less than 15 years in the third quarter.

Terminated three long-term charters with Ship Finance.

Positioning for the "IMO 2020" regulations by acquiring 20% in Feen Marine Scrubbers Inc. ("FMSI"), a leading manufacturer of exhaust gas scrubbers ("EGCS"), and securing the capacity to source a large volume of EGCS for the Company.

Robert Hvide Macleod, Chief Executive Officer of Frontline Management AS commented:

"Despite the current weak rate environment, we believe cyclical changes are underway and as a result we are more optimistic on tanker rates. The factors supporting our expectation include continued scrapping ahead of 2020 offsetting new deliveries and increased demand for seaborne trade as a result of expected growth in both US exports and OPEC production of crude oil. Additionally, crude oil demand remains strong, and the end of the inventory draw cycle seems increasingly inevitable. We are actively positioning for IMO 2020 and we are pleased that we have been able to secure ownership in a scrubber producer and capacity to buy a large volume of scrubbers at a very competitive price. We will continue to look for the right investment opportunities to further position the Company for the expected recovery."

The average daily time charter equivalents ("TCE") earned by Frontline in the quarter ended June 30, 2018, the prior quarter and in the year ended December 31, 2017 are shown below, along with spot estimates for the third quarter of 2018 and the estimated average daily cash break-even ("BE") rates for the remainder of 2018:

Average daily time charter equivalents ("TCEs")

| (\$ per day) | Spot YTD 2018 | Q2 2018 | Q1 2018 | YTD 2017 | Spot estimates Q3 2018 | % covered | Estimated |
|--------------|---------------------|---------|---------|-------------|------------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | | average daily BE rates 2018 |
| VLCC | 13,300 | 11,700 | 14,900 | 22,400 | 20,000 | 78 | % 22,500 |

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|------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----|---|--------|
| SMAX | 14,800 | 14,100 | 15,400 | 17,300 | 13,900 | 64 | % | 18,500 |
| LR2 | 13,200 | 11,700 | 14,800 | 14,400 | 15,500 | 57 | % | 16,200 |

The estimated average daily cash break-even rates are the daily TCE rates the vessels must earn in order to cover operating expenses including dry dock, repayments of loans, interest on loans, bareboat hire and general and administrative expenses.

The Fleet

As of June 30, 2018, the Company's fleet consisted of 63 vessels, with an aggregate capacity of approximately 12.3 million DWT:

- (i) 46 vessels owned by the Company (12 VLCCs, 16 Suezmax tankers, 18 LR2/Aframax tankers);
- (ii) eight VLCCs that are under capital leases;
- (iii) one VLCC that is recorded as an investment in finance lease;
- (iv) two VLCCs chartered in from an unrelated third party;
- (v) six vessels that are under the Company's commercial management (two Suezmax tankers, two LR2 tankers and two Aframax oil tankers)

Furthermore, the Company has two VLCC newbuildings under construction.

As of June 30, 2018, the Company had entered into a time charter-out contract for one LR2 tanker with expiry in Q1 2019 at an average rate of \$17,300 per day.

In April 2018, the Company took delivery of two VLCCs, chartered in from an unrelated third party for two years, at \$21,250 per day, with an option for a third year at \$23,750 per day.

Frontline Shipping Limited ("FSL"), a non-recourse subsidiary of Frontline, had eight VLCCs built 2001-2004 on charter from Ship Finance International Limited ("Ship Finance") in the second quarter. The vessels earned approximately \$8,100 per day in the second quarter of 2018, the fourth consecutive quarter these vessels earned less than the base rate of \$20,000. During the second quarter FSL has been able to pay Ship Finance the full base rate by drawing on a previously built up cash buffer. At the end of the second quarter this buffer was \$3.9 million and until the spot market recovers above the base rate, FSL will only pay to Ship Finance a charter hire reflective of the rates achieved by these vessels in the spot market. Any unpaid amounts will remain as payable to Ship Finance until such time as the finances of FSL permit settlement of the unpaid hire. Frontline will continue to be responsible for operating expenses of the vessels in excess of \$9,000 per day.

In June 2018, the Company announced FSL has agreed with Ship Finance to terminate the long term charters for three VLCCs; Front Page, Front Serenade and Front Stratus upon the sale and delivery of the vessels by Ship Finance to an unrelated third party. Frontline has agreed to a total compensation payment to Ship Finance of \$10.125 million for the termination of these charters, which will be paid by Frontline in the form of three promissory notes, and Frontline and FSL will be released from all of their other respective obligations in relation to these vessels. Front Page and Front Stratus has been delivered to their new owners and we expect Front Serenade to be delivered in September 2018.

Newbuilding Program/ financing update

As of June 30, 2018, the Company's newbuilding program was comprised of two VLCCs. As of June 30, 2018, total instalments of \$51.1 million had been paid and the remaining commitments amounted to \$112.5 million, of which \$56.9 million is due in 2018 and \$55.6 million is due in 2019, respectively. As of June 30, 2018 Frontline has committed bank financing in place to finance delivery of the Company's remaining newbuildings and estimates loan amounts of \$55.3 million to be drawn in 2018 and \$55.3 million to be drawn in 2019, respectively.

In July, the Company announced it had entered into an Equity Distribution Agreement dated July 24, 2018, with Morgan Stanley & Co. LLC for the offer and sale of up to \$100.0 million of common shares of Frontline through an at-the-market offering ("ATM"). The filing of the ATM is an opportunistic move from the Company. We have not

sold any shares under the ATM and do not intend to do so at the current share price level.

Corporate Update

Starting on January 1, 2020, a new global sulfur oxide emissions limit mandated by IMO will come into effect. In June 2018, the Company entered into a memorandum of agreement (the "MOA") to acquire a 20% ownership interest in FMSI, a leading manufacturer of EGCS. EGCS installed on existing vessels provide the same benefit as those delivered from the yard on newbuildings and the Company's solution is very competitive on price. Additionally, this transaction secures the capacity to source a large volume of EGCS for the Company, which we believe will be a challenge for many owners as the deadline for sulfur emissions compliance approaches.

Pursuant to the Company's stated dividend policy, the Board has decided not to pay a dividend for the second quarter of 2018.

The Company had 169,809,324 ordinary shares outstanding as of June 30, 2018, and the weighted average number of shares outstanding for the quarter was 169,809,324.

Second Quarter 2018 Results

The Company reports a net loss attributable to the Company of \$22.9 million for the second quarter of 2018 compared with a loss of \$13.6 million in the previous quarter. The net loss attributable to the Company adjusted for certain non-cash items was \$27.7 million for the second quarter. These non-cash items consisted of a \$0.8 million mark to market gain on marketable securities, a gain on derivatives of \$1.9 million and a gain on the release of accrued dry docking cost, which were accrued at the time of the merger with Frontline 2012.

Reconciliation of net (loss) income attributable to the Company adjusted for certain non-cash items¹:

| (in millions of \$) | Q2 2018 | Q1 2018 | Six months ended June 30, 2018 | Six months ended June 30, 2017 |
|---|---------|---------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Net (loss) income attributable to the Company | (22.9) | (13.6) | (36.5) | 7.6 |
| Add back: | | | | |
| Loss on termination of vessel lease, net of cash paid | — | 5.8 | 5.8 | 2.1 |
| Vessel impairment loss | — | — | — | 21.2 |
| Unrealised loss on marketable securities | — | 0.3 | 0.3 | — |
| Loss on derivatives | — | — | — | 3.3 |
| Less: | | | | |
| Gain on derivatives | (1.9) | (5.1) | (7.0) | — |
| Unrealised gain on marketable securities | (0.8) | — | (0.8) | — |
| Release of accrued dry docking costs | (2.1) | — | (2.1) | — |
| Gain on sale of shares | — | (1.0) | (1.0) | — |
| Gain on termination of lease | — | — | — | (20.6) |
| Net (loss) income attributable to the Company adjusted for certain non-cash items | (27.7) | (13.6) | (41.3) | 13.6 |
| (in thousands) | | | | |
| Weighted average number of ordinary shares | 169,809 | 169,809 | 169,809 | 169,809 |

(in \$)

| | | | | | | | |
|---|-------|---|-------|---|-------|---|------|
| Basic (loss) earnings per share | (0.13 |) | (0.08 |) | (0.21 |) | 0.04 |
| Basic (loss) earnings per share adjusted for certain non-cash charges | (0.16 |) | (0.08 |) | (0.24 |) | 0.08 |

1 This press release describes net income attributable to the Company adjusted for certain non-cash items and related per share amounts, which are not measures prepared in accordance with US GAAP ("non-GAAP"). We believe the non-GAAP financial measures presented in this press release provides investors with a means of evaluating and understanding how the Company's management evaluates the Company's operating performance. These non-GAAP financial measures should not be considered in isolation from, as substitutes for, nor superior to financial measures prepared in accordance with GAAP.

Strategy and Market Outlook

While demand for crude oil has remained robust throughout 2018, crude oil inventory draws have continued, decreasing arbitrage opportunities and ultimately demand for crude tankers. But following a sustained period of draws, crude oil inventories are now below five-year averages. The trend is ultimately unsustainable if crude oil demand forecasts are met, and we therefore believe that inventories now will stabilize and then begin to build again. There is a historic relationship between crude oil inventory levels and freight rates, with periods where rates rise as inventories build and decline as inventories are consumed.

The global crude oil tanker fleet grew substantially in 2017 and was expected to grow by 8.3% in 2018. At the start of the year, there were 57 VLCCs scheduled for delivery in 2018. 24 have been delivered so far, and it is likely that some deliveries will be delayed into 2019. Scrapping has increased considerably in 2018. According to broker reports, 25 VLCCs have been scrapped so far and an additional 14 VLCCs have been sold for near-term scrapping. Consistently high scrap prices, combined with a very weak freight market, have compelled owners of older tonnage to dispose of their vessels at a near record pace. If the pace of scrapping continues, we estimate that the global VLCC fleet will see negative growth in 2018.

The current VLCC order book equals approximately 15.8% of the global VLCC fleet. This seemingly large figure is dwarfed by the 20% percent of the existing VLCC fleet that is over 15 years of age. As we have stated previously, older vessels are less desirable to charterers and earn a discount compared to newer, more fuel-efficient vessels.

Despite the current weak rate environment, we believe cyclical changes are underway and as a result we are increasingly optimistic on tanker rates. The factors supporting our expectation for an improving spot market include continued scrapping ahead of 2020 offsetting new deliveries and increased demand for seaborne trade as a result of expected growth in both US exports and OPEC production of crude oil. Additionally, crude oil demand remains strong, and the end of the inventory draw cycle that has been the focus over the last several quarters seems increasingly inevitable.

Frontline remains sharply focused on maintaining our cost-efficient operations and low breakeven levels. We will also continue to look for the right investment opportunities to further position the Company for the expected recovery. We believe these actions combined with the decision to invest in FMSI and install scrubbers on certain vessels will position Frontline to maximize value for its shareholders.

Conference Call and Webcast

On August 22, 2018 at 9:00 A.M. ET (3:00 P.M. CET), the Company's management will host a conference call to discuss the results.

Participants should dial into the call 10 minutes before the scheduled time using the following numbers:

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|------------------|---------------------|
| Norway | +47 2350 0296 |
| Norway toll free | 800 14947 |
| UK | +44 (0)330 336 9411 |
| UK Toll Free | 0800 279 7204 |
| USA | +1 929-477-0448 |
| USA Toll Free | 888-254-3590 |
| Conference ID | 5146133 |

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Presentation materials and a webcast of the conference call may be accessed on the Company's website, www.frontline.bm, under the 'Webcast' link.

A replay of the conference call will be available for seven days following the live call. The following numbers may be used to access the telephonic replay:

| | |
|----------------------|---------------------|
| UK | +44 (0) 207 660 134 |
| UK Toll Free | 0 808 101 1153 |
| Norway Dial-In | +47 23 50 00 77 |
| Norway toll free | 800 196 72 |
| USA Toll Free | 888-203-1112 |
| USA | +1 719-457-0820 |
| Replay Access Number | 5146133 |

Participant information required: Full name & company

Forward-Looking Statements

Matters discussed in this press release may constitute forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements include statements concerning plans, objectives, goals, strategies, future events or performance, and underlying assumptions and other statements, which are other than statements of historical facts. Words, such as, but not limited to "believe," "anticipate," "intends," "estimate," "forecast," "project," "plan," "potential," "may," "should," "expect," "pending" and similar expressions identify forward-looking statements. The forward-looking statements in this press release are based upon various assumptions, many of which are based, in turn, upon further assumptions. Although Frontline believes that these assumptions were reasonable when made, because these assumptions are inherently subject to significant uncertainties and contingencies which are difficult or impossible to predict and are beyond the control of Frontline, Frontline cannot assure you that they will achieve or accomplish these expectations, beliefs or projections. The information set forth herein speaks only as of the date hereof, and Frontline disclaims any intention or obligation to update any forward-looking statements as a result of developments occurring after the date of this communication.

The Board of Directors
Frontline Ltd.
Hamilton, Bermuda
August 21, 2017

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

| CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED INCOME STATEMENT | | | 2018 | 2017 | 2017 |
|---|-----------|---|-----------|-----------|------------|
| 2017 | 2018 | (in thousands of \$) | Jan-Jun | Jan-Jun | Jan-Dec |
| Apr-Jun | Apr-Jun | | | | |
| 150,148 | 166,821 | Total operating revenues | 336,442 | 327,275 | 646,326 |
| (12,238) | (554) | Other operating gain (loss) | (6,670) | 8,327 | 2,381 |
| 60,155 | 94,461 | Voyage expenses and commission | 183,500 | 115,339 | 259,334 |
| (8,687) | (6,450) | Contingent rental (income) expense | (13,145) | (12,456) | (26,148) |
| 37,552 | 32,116 | Ship operating expenses | 66,849 | 68,176 | 135,728 |
| 4,838 | 6,173 | Charter hire expenses | 8,490 | 14,611 | 19,705 |
| — | — | Impairment loss on vessels and vessels under capital lease | — | 21,247 | 164,187 |
| — | — | Impairment loss on goodwill | — | — | 112,821 |
| 10,599 | 9,221 | Administrative expenses | 18,769 | 19,167 | 37,603 |
| 34,859 | 31,755 | Depreciation | 63,546 | 70,139 | 141,748 |
| 139,316 | 167,276 | Total operating expenses | 328,009 | 296,223 | 844,978 |
| (1,406) | (1,009) | Net operating income (loss) | 1,763 | 39,379 | (196,271) |
| 142 | 256 | Interest income | 396 | 268 | 588 |
| (15,976) | (24,110) | Interest expense | (45,712) | (31,000) | (69,815) |
| 475 | — | Gain on sale of shares | 1,026 | 1,246 | 1,061 |
| — | 802 | Unrealised gain (loss) on marketable securities | 491 | — | — |
| 193 | (556) | Foreign currency exchange gain (loss) | (1,164) | 270 | (55) |
| (3,107) | 1,869 | Gain (loss) on derivatives | 6,954 | (3,285) | (753) |
| 511 | 138 | Other non-operating items | 94 | 1,065 | 1,213 |
| (19,168) | (22,610) | Net income (loss) before income taxes and non-controlling interest | (36,152) | 7,943 | (264,032) |
| (63) | (59) | Income tax expense | (73) | (93) | (290) |
| (19,231) | (22,669) | Net income (loss) | (36,225) | 7,850 | (264,322) |
| (148) | (191) | Net (income) loss attributable to non-controlling interest | (276) | (209) | (539) |
| (19,379) | (22,860) | Net income (loss) attributable to the Company | (36,501) | 7,641 | (264,861) |
| (0.11) | (0.13) | Basic earnings per share attributable to the Company (\$) | (0.21) | 0.04 | (1.56) |
| CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME (in thousands of \$) | | | 2018 | 2017 | 2017 |
| Apr-Jun | Apr-Jun | | Jan-Jun | Jan-Jun | Jan-Dec |
| (19,231) | (22,669) | Net income (loss) | (36,225) | 7,850 | (264,322) |
| (4,292) | — | Unrealized gain (loss) from marketable securities | — | 1,718 | 1,901 |
| — | — | Unrealized gain (loss) from marketable securities reclassified to statement of operations | — | — | (571) |
| 39 | 727 | Foreign exchange gain (loss) | 889 | 98 | 158 |
| (4,253) | 727 | Other comprehensive income (loss) | 889 | 1,816 | 1,488 |
| (23,484) | (21,942) | Comprehensive income (loss) | (35,336) | 9,666 | (262,834) |
| 148 | 191 | Comprehensive (income) loss attributable to non-controlling interest | 276 | 209 | 539 |
| (23,632) | (22,133) | Comprehensive income (loss) attributable to the Company | (35,612) | 9,457 | (263,373) |
| (23,484) | (21,942) | Comprehensive income (loss) | (35,336) | 9,666 | (262,834) |

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

| CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED BALANCE SHEETS | Jun 30 | Dec 31 |
|--|-----------|-----------|
| (in thousands of \$) | 2018 | 2017 |
| ASSETS | | |
| Current assets | | |
| Cash and cash equivalents | 116,057 | 104,145 |
| Restricted cash | 1,744 | 741 |
| Marketable securities | 1,097 | 19,231 |
| Marketable securities pledged to creditors | 12,148 | 10,272 |
| Other current assets | 188,408 | 187,225 |
| Total current assets | 319,454 | 321,614 |
| Non-current assets | | |
| Newbuildings | 50,537 | 79,602 |
| Vessels and equipment, net | 2,526,707 | 2,342,130 |
| Vessels under capital lease, net | 218,371 | 251,698 |
| Investment in finance lease | 16,567 | 21,782 |
| Goodwill | 112,452 | 112,452 |
| Other long-term assets | 11,030 | 4,450 |
| Total non-current assets | 2,935,664 | 2,812,114 |
| Total assets | 3,255,118 | 3,133,728 |
| LIABILITIES AND EQUITY | | |
| Current liabilities | | |
| Short term debt | 122,240 | 113,078 |
| Current portion of obligations under capital lease | 37,098 | 43,316 |
| Other current liabilities | 79,079 | 65,606 |
| Total current liabilities | 238,417 | 222,000 |
| Non-current liabilities | | |
| Long term debt | 1,657,396 | 1,467,074 |
| Obligations under capital lease | 222,019 | 255,700 |
| Other long-term liabilities | 1,334 | 1,325 |
| Total non-current liabilities | 1,880,749 | 1,724,099 |
| Commitments and contingencies | | |
| Equity | | |
| Frontline Ltd. equity | 1,135,741 | 1,187,308 |
| Non-controlling interest | 211 | 321 |
| Total equity | 1,135,952 | 1,187,629 |
| Total liabilities and equity | 3,255,118 | 3,133,728 |

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CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (UNAUDITED)

CONDENSED CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH

| 2017 | 2018 | FLOWS | 2018 | 2017 | 2017 |
|-----------|-----------|--|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Apr-Jun | Apr-Jun | (in thousands of \$) | Jan-Jun | Jan-Jun | Jan-Dec |
| | | OPERATING ACTIVITIES | | | |
| (19,231) | (22,669) | Net income (loss) | (36,225) | 7,850 | (264,322) |
| | | Adjustments to reconcile net income (loss) to net cash provided by operating activities: | | | |
| 35,336 | 32,373 | Depreciation and amortization of deferred charges | 64,767 | 71,024 | 143,661 |
| 12,238 | 554 | Other operating loss (gain) | 6,670 | (8,327) | (2,378) |
| (8,687) | (6,450) | Contingent rental (income) expense | (13,145) | (12,456) | (26,148) |
| — | — | Impairment loss on vessels and vessels under capital lease | — | 21,247 | 164,187 |
| — | — | Impairment loss on Goodwill | — | — | 112,821 |
| (475) | — | (Gain) on sale of shares | (1,026) | (1,246) | (1,061) |
| — | (784) | Unrealised (gain) loss on marketable securities | (473) | — | — |
| 2,870 | (1,560) | (Gain) loss on derivatives | (6,578) | 2,731 | (93) |
| 751 | 629 | Other, net | 1,693 | 1,521 | 1,953 |
| 6,850 | (893) | Change in operating assets and liabilities | (2,438) | 27,092 | 1,865 |
| 29,652 | | | | | |