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 2, 2017

Herbalife Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Cayman Islands (State or other jurisdiction of incorporation)

> P.O. Box 309GT, Ugland House, South Church Street, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands (Address of principal executive offices)

1-32381 (Commission File Number) 98-0377871 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

KY1-1106 (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: c/o (213) 745-0500

Not Applicable

Former name or former address, if changed since last report

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

□ Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)

□ Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)

D Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))

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

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§ 230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§ 240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company \Box

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Item 8.01 Other Events.

In connection with the Company's ongoing tender offer for its common shares, par value \$0.001 per share, for an aggregate cash purchase price of up to \$600 million and at a per share price not less than \$60.00 nor greater than \$68.00 and a certain contractual contingent value right, on October 2, 2017 the Company issued a press release updating the markets regarding the Company's currently anticipated financial results for the quarter ended September 30, 2017. In addition, the Company is filing this Form 8-K to update information disclosed in the Company's Form 10-Q for the quarter ended June 30, 2017 (the "2017 Second Quarter 10-Q").

Specifically, the Company is updating the following risk factor to supplement those risks previously disclosed in the Company's periodic reports filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2016 and the 2017 Second Quarter 10-Q.

Our business in China is subject to general, as well as industry-specific, economic, political and legal developments and risks in China and requires that we utilize a modified version of the business model we use elsewhere in the world.

Our expansion of operations into China and the continued success of our business in China is subject to risks and uncertainties related to general economic, political and legal developments in China, among other things. The Chinese government exercises significant control over the Chinese economy, including but not limited to controlling capital investments, allocating resources, setting monetary policy, controlling foreign exchange and monitoring foreign exchange rates, implementing and overseeing tax regulations, providing preferential treatment to certain industry segments or companies and issuing necessary licenses to conduct business. In addition, we could face additional risks resulting from changes in China's data privacy and cybersecurity requirements. Accordingly, any adverse change in the Chinese economy, the Chinese legal system or Chinese governmental, economic or other policies could have a material adverse effect on our business in China and our prospects generally.

China has published regulations governing direct selling and prohibiting pyramid promotional schemes, and a number of administrative methods and proclamations have been issued. The Chinese regulations require us to use a modified version of the business model we use in other markets. To allow us to operate under these regulations, we have created and introduced a model specifically for China based on our understanding as to how regulators are interpreting and enforcing these regulations, our interpretation of applicable regulations and our understanding of the practices of other international direct selling companies in China.

In China, we have sales representatives who are permitted by the terms of our direct selling licenses to sell away from fixed retail locations in the provinces of Jiangsu, Guangdong, Shandong, Zhejiang, Guizhou, Beijing, Fujian, Sichuan, Hubei, Shanxi, Shanghai, Jiangxi, Liaoning, Jilin, Henan, Chongqing, Hebei, Shaanxi, Tianjin, Heilongjiang, Hunan, Guangxi, Hainan, Anhui, Yunnan, Gansu, Ningxia, and Inner Mongolia. In Xinjiang province where the Company does not have a direct selling license, it has a Company-operated retail store that can directly serve customers and preferred customers. With online orderings throughout China, there has been a declining demand in Company-operated retail stores.

We also engage independent service providers who meet both the requirements to operate their own business under Chinese law as well as the conditions set forth by Herbalife to sell products and provide marketing, sales support and other services to Herbalife customers. In China, our independent service providers are compensated for marketing, sales support, and other services instead of the distributor allowances and royalty overrides utilized in our global marketing plan. The service hours and related fees eligible to be earned by and then paid to independent service providers are based on a number of factors including the sales generated by them and by others to whom they may provide marketing, sales support and other services, the quality of their service and other factors as well as any potential future sales generated from the recently announced and expanded online ordering platform. Total compensation available to our independent service providers in China can generally be comparable to the total compensation available to other sales leaders globally.

These business model features in China are not common to the business model we employ elsewhere in the world, and based on the direct selling licenses we have received and the terms of those which we hope to receive in the future to conduct a direct selling enterprise in China, our business model in China will continue to incorporate some or all of these features. The direct selling regulations require us to apply for various approvals to conduct a direct selling enterprise in China. The process for obtaining the necessary licenses to conduct a direct selling business is protracted and cumbersome and involves multiple layers of Chinese governmental authorities and numerous governmental employees at each layer. While direct selling licenses are centrally issued, such licenses are generally valid only in the jurisdictions within which related approvals have been obtained. Such approvals are generally awarded on local and provincial bases, and the approval process requires involvement with multiple ministries at each level. Our participation and conduct during the approval process is guided not only by distinct Chinese practices and customs, but is also subject to applicable laws of China and the other jurisdictions in which we operate our business, including the U.S., as well as our internal code of ethics. There is always a risk that in attempting to comply with local customs and practices in China to assist us during the approval process, and the loss of any such failure to comply with applicable requirements could prevent us from obtaining the direct selling licenses, or related approvals. Furthermore, we rely on certain key personnel in China to assist us during the approval process, and the loss of any such key personnel could delay or hinder our ability to obtain licenses or related approvals. For all of the above reasons, there can be no assurance that we will obtain additional direct selling licenses, or obtain related approvals to expand into any or all of the localities or provinces in China to assist u

Additionally, although certain regulations have been published with respect to obtaining and operating under such approvals and otherwise conducting business in China, other regulations are pending and there continues to be uncertainty regarding the interpretation and enforcement of Chinese regulations. The regulatory environment in China is evolving, and officials in the Chinese government, including at the local and central level, exercise broad discretion in deciding how to interpret, apply, and enforce regulations as they deem appropriate, including to promote social order. Regulators in China may change how they interpret and enforce the direct selling regulations, both current interpretations and enforcement thereof or future iterations. Regulators in China may also modify the regulations. We cannot be certain that our business model will continue to be deemed by national or local Chinese regulatory authorities to be compliant with any such regulations. The Chinese government rigorously monitors the direct selling market in China, and in the past has taken serious action against companies that the government believed were engaging in activities they regarded to be in violation of applicable law, including shutting down their businesses and imposing substantial fines. For example, in August 2017, China's State Administration for Industry and Commerce, Ministry of Education, Ministry of Public Security and Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security published a notice announcing they are carrying out a three-month campaign ending on November 15, 2017 to investigate pyramid selling activities in order to eliminate activities prohibited under relevant regulations. The campaign seeks to eliminate organizations that use recruitment to lure and mislead people into participating in pyramid schemes. As a result, there can be no guarantee that the Chinese government's current or future interpretation and application of the existing and new regulations will not negatively impact our business in China, result in regulatory investigations or lead to fines or penalties against us or our Chinese Members. If our business practices are deemed to be in violation of applicable regulations as they are or may be interpreted or enforced, or modified regulations, in particular with respect to the factors used in determining the services a service provider is eligible to perform and service fees they are eligible to earn and to receive, then we could be sanctioned and/or required to change our business model, either of which could have a significant adverse impact on our business in China.

Chinese regulations prevent persons who are not Chinese nationals from engaging in direct selling in China. We cannot guarantee that any of our Members living outside of China or any of our sales representatives or independent service providers in China have not engaged or will not engage in activities that violate our policies in this market, or that violate Chinese law or other applicable law, and therefore result in regulatory action and adverse publicity.

China has also enacted labor contract and social insurance legislation. We have reviewed our employment contracts and contractual relations with employees in China, which include certain of our employed sales personnel, and have transferred those employed sales personnel to independent service providers and have made such other changes as we believe to be necessary or appropriate to bring these contracts and contractual relations into compliance with these laws and their implementing regulations. In addition, we continue to monitor the situation to determine how these laws and regulations will be implemented in practice. There is no guarantee that these laws will not adversely impact us, cause us to change our operating plan for China or otherwise have an adverse impact on our business operations in China.

We may continue to experience rapid growth in China, and there can be no assurances that we will be able to successfully manage expansion of manufacturing operations and a growing and dynamic sales force. If we are unable to effectively scale our supply chain and manufacturing infrastructure to support future growth in China, our operations in China may be adversely impacted.

Other Matters

The additional disclosure herein supplements the disclosures contained in the 2017 Second Quarter 10-Q and should be read in conjunction with the disclosures contained therein. The paragraph below is intended to be read after the penultimate paragraph on page 16 of the 2017 Second Quarter 10-Q, under the heading "Other Matters," and therefore shall become the new penultimate paragraph.

On September 18, 2017, the Company and certain of its subsidiaries and members were named as defendants in a purported class action lawsuit, titled*Rodgers, et al. v Herbalife Ltd., et al.* and filed in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Florida, which alleges violations of Florida's Deceptive and Unfair Trade Practices statute and federal Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations statutes, unjust enrichment, and negligent misrepresentation. The Company believes the lawsuit is without merit and will vigorously defend against the claims in the lawsuit.

A copy of the Company's press release is attached as Exhibit 99.1 hereto and is incorporated by reference in this Item 8.01.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

99.1 Press release issued by Herbalife Ltd. on October 2, 2017.

Forward-Looking Statements

This Current Report on Form 8-K may contain "forward-looking statements." All statements other than statements of historical fact are "forward-looking statements" for purposes of federal and state securities laws. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the anticipated effects of the consummation of the Offer, our expectations, hopes or intentions regarding the future, including but not limited to statements regarding the Company's operating or other strategic plans, including the Company's competition, financing, revenues, or tax benefits; our beliefs regarding the sufficiency of the Company's existing cash and credit sources, including perating and maintenance capital expenditures) and costs associated with certain of the Company's projects over the next twelve months; the Company's required capital expenditures pursuant to agreements it is party to, and the Company's anticipated capital expenditures, estimated asset and liability values; risk of counterparty nonperformance; the Company's legal strategies and the potential effect of pending legal claims on the Company's business and financial condition; and any financial or other information included herein based upon or otherwise incorporating judgments or estimates based upon future performance or events. Forward-looking statements may include the words "may," "will," "estimate," "intend," "continue," "blieve," "expect" or "anticipate" and any other similar words. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in any of our forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from those projected or assumed in any of our forward-looking statements. Our future financial condition and uncertainties, such as those disclosed or incorporated by reference in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC"). Given these uncertainties, you should not place undue reliance on these forward-looking

statements. Forward-looking statements represent our estimates and assumptions only as of the date of this press release. No assurances can be given that the Company will engage in any discussions or negotiations with any party regarding a possible "going private" transaction or that any "going private" transaction with respect to the Company will be consummated. We expressly disclaim any duty to provide updates to forward-looking statements, and the estimates and assumptions associated with them, after the date of this press release, in order to reflect changes in circumstances or expectations or the occurrence of unanticipated events, except to the extent required by applicable securities laws. All forward-looking statements are qualified in their entirety by reference to the factors discussed above and under "Risk Factors" set forth in Part I Item 1A and elsewhere of the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K, filed with the SEC on February 23, 2017, and in Part I Item 4 and elsewhere of the 2017 Second Quarter 10-Q, this Form 8-K filed on October 2, 2017, as well as the risks and uncertainties discussed in the Company's other filings with the SEC, including risks resulting from a decrease in the public float of the shares which may result in less liquidity and trading volume of the shares after the consummation of the tender offer described herein and could result in an increase in price volatility. We qualify all of our forward-looking statements by these cautionary statements. We caution you that these risks are not exhaustive. We operate in a continually changing business environment and new risks emerge from time to time.

EXHIBIT INDEX

Exhibit Description of Exhibit

99.1 99.1 Press release issued by the Company, dated October 2, 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 undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

October 2, 2017

Herbalife Ltd.

By: /s/ JOHN G. DESIMONE

Name: John G. DeSimone Title: *Chief Financial Officer*



AS PART OF HERBALIFE NUTRITION'S SELF-TENDER OFFER, THE COMPANY UPDATES GUIDANCE FOR THIRD QUARTER 2017 EARNINGS

LOS ANGELES, CA (October 2, 2017) – Herbalife Ltd. (NYSE: HLF) ("Herbalife" or "Company"), today announced updated guidance for the Company's third quarter 2017 financial results in order to provide shareholders with the most current information.

On August 21, 2017, the Company announced it had commenced a "modified Dutch auction" self-tender offer to purchase for cash up to an aggregate of \$600 million of shares of its common stock, at a per share price not less than \$60.00 nor greater than \$68.00. Additionally, for each share tendered, shareholders will also receive a non-transferable contractual contingent value right ("CVR") allowing participants in the tender offer to receive a contingent cash payment should Herbalife be acquired in a going-private transaction within two years of the commencement of the tender offer.

The tender offer is currently scheduled to expire at 5:00 p.m. New York City time on Thursday, October 5, 2017. In order to assist shareholders in determining whether to participate in the tender offer, and if so, how many shares they may wish to tender at prices between \$60.00 and \$68.00 per share, the Company is providing updated financial guidance in this release as well as updated risk factors and other information in a Form 8-K filed today. This updated guidance is appropriate in light of the self-tender offer.

Updated Third Quarter 2017 Guidance

Based upon current information, updated third quarter 2017 guidance is reflected in the following chart:

		Three Months Ended	
		September 30, 2017	
	Low	High	
Volume Point Growth vs 2016	(6.0%)	(4.8%)	
Net Sales Growth vs 2016	(3.4%)	(1.9%)	
Diluted EPS	\$0.63	\$0.73	
Adjusted(a) Diluted EPS	\$0.80	\$0.90	
Cap Ex (\$ millions)	\$18.0	\$28.0	
Effective Tax Rate	22.5%	24.5%	
Adjusted Effective Tax Rate (a)	20.0%	22.0%	
Currency Adjusted Net Sales Growth vs 2016	(3.1%)	(1.6%)	
Currency Adjusted Diluted EPS	\$0.84	\$0.94	

(a) Adjusted diluted EPS and adjusted effective tax rate, for the purposes of 2017 guidance, excludes the impact of expenses relating to challenges to the company's business model, the impact of non cash interest costs associated with the company's convertible notes, benefits from future potential China grants, FTC settlement implementation and expenses related to regulatory inquiries. See the table below for a reconciliation of adjusted diluted EPS to diluted EPS calculated in accordance with GAAP. The following is a reconciliation of diluted earnings per share guidance, presented in accordance with U.S. generally accepted accounting principles, to adjusted diluted earnings per share guidance for certain items.

	Three Months Ended
	September 30, 2017
Diluted EPS Guidance	\$0.63 - \$0.73
Expenses incurred responding to attacks on the company's business model(1)	0.02
Non-cash interest expense and amortization of non-cash issuance costs (2)	0.14
FTC Consent Order Implementation (3)	0.03
Expenses related to regulatory inquiries ⁽⁴⁾	0.03
China grant income (5)	(0.04)
Income tax adjustments for above items ⁽⁶⁾	(0.02)
Adjusted diluted EPS guidance (7)	\$0.80 - \$0.90

(1) Excludes tax impact of \$0.5 million for the three months ending September 30, 2017.

- (2) Relates to non-cash expense on our convertible notes and prepaid forward share repurchase contract.
- (3) Excludes tax impact of \$0.8 million for the three months ending September 30, 2017.
- (4) Excludes tax impact of \$0.8 million for the three months ending September 30, 2017.
- (5) Excludes tax impact of (\$1.2) million for the three months ending September 30, 2017
- (6) Aggregates the individual tax impacts of each item as described in greater detail in footnotes 1, 3, 4 and 5 above.
- (7) Amounts may not total due to rounding.

The Company is currently in the process of compiling, analyzing and finalizing the results for the third quarter and the Company's independent registered public accounting firm has not yet completed its review of the third quarter results. As such, there can be no assurance that the final adjusted or GAAP earnings per diluted share will be within the ranges specified. Herbalife expects to report its final results for the third quarter of 2017 on November 2, 2017.

About Herbalife

Herbalife Nutrition is a global nutrition company whose purpose is to make the world healthier and happier. The Company has been on a mission for nutrition – changing people's lives with great nutrition products & programs – since 1980. Together with our Herbalife Nutrition independent distributors, we are committed to providing solutions to the worldwide problems of poor nutrition and obesity, an aging population, sky-rocketing public healthcare costs and a rise in entrepreneurs of all ages. We offer high-quality, science-backed products, most of which are produced in Company-operated facilities, one-on-one coaching with an Herbalife Nutrition independent distributor, and a supportive community approach that inspires customers to embrace a healthier, more active lifestyle.

Our targeted nutrition, weight-management, energy and fitness and personal care products are available exclusively to and through dedicated Herbalife Nutrition distributors in more than 90 countries.

Through its corporate social responsibility efforts, Herbalife Nutrition supports the Herbalife Family Foundation (HFF) and its Casa Herbalife programs to help bring good nutrition to children in need. The Company is also proud to sponsor more than 190 world-class athletes, teams and events around the globe, including Cristiano Ronaldo, the LA Galaxy, and numerous Olympic teams.

The company has over 8,000 employees worldwide, and its shares are traded on the New York Stock Exchange (NYSE: HLF) with net sales of approximately \$4.5 billion in 2016. To learn more, visit <u>Herbalife.com</u> or <u>IAmHerbalife.com</u>.

The company also encourages investors to visit its investor relations website atir.herbalife.com as financial and other information is updated and new information is posted.

Forward-Looking Statements

This release contains "forward-looking statements" within the meaning of the safe harbor provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements regarding the anticipated financial results for the third quarter 2017, the anticipated expiration date and consummation of the tender offer, satisfaction of the tender offer conditions described the Offer to Purchase, as may be amended from time to time, and the Company's expectations, hopes or intentions regarding the future. No assurances can be given that the tender offer will be consummated, or that the Company will engage in any discussions or negotiations with any party regarding a possible "going private" transaction or that any "going private" transaction with respect to the Company will be consummated. Although we believe that the expectations reflected in any of our forward-looking statements are reasonable, actual results could differ materially from those projected or assumed in any of our forward-looking statements of operations, as well as any forward-looking statements, are subject to change and to inherent risks and uncertainties, such as those disclosed or incorporated by reference in our filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Important factors that could cause our actual results, performance and achievements, or industry results to differ materially from estimates or projections contained in our forward-looking statements include, among others, the following:

- our relationship with, and our ability to influence the actions of, our Members;
- improper action by our employees or Members in violation of applicable law;
- adverse publicity associated with our products or network marketing organization, including our ability to comfort the marketplace and regulators regarding our compliance with applicable laws;
- changing consumer preferences and demands;
- the competitive nature of our business;
- regulatory matters governing our products, including potential governmental or regulatory actions concerning the safety or efficacy of our products and network
 marketing program, including the direct selling market in which we operate;
- legal challenges to our network marketing program;
- the consent order entered into with the FTC, the effects thereof and any failure to comply therewith;
- risks associated with operating internationally and the effect of economic factors, including foreign exchange, inflation, disruptions or conflicts with our third party
 importers, pricing and currency devaluation risks, especially in countries such as Venezuela;
- uncertainties relating to interpretation and enforcement of legislation in China governing direct selling and anti-pyramiding;
- · our inability to obtain the necessary licenses to expand our direct selling business in China;
- adverse changes in the Chinese economy;
- our dependence on increased penetration of existing markets;
- contractual limitations on our ability to expand our business;
- · our reliance on our information technology infrastructure and outside manufacturers;
- the sufficiency of trademarks and other intellectual property rights;
- product concentration;
- our reliance upon, or the loss or departure of any member of, our senior management team which could negatively impact our Member relations and operating results;
- U.S. and foreign laws and regulations applicable to our international operations;
- uncertainties relating to the United Kingdom's vote to exit from the European Union;
- restrictions imposed by covenants in our credit facility;
- · uncertainties relating to the application of transfer pricing, duties, value added taxes, and other tax regulations, and changes thereto;
- changes in tax laws, treaties or regulations, or their interpretation;
- taxation relating to our Members;
- product liability claims;
- our incorporation under the laws of the Cayman Islands;

· whether we will purchase any of our shares in the open markets or otherwise; and

share price volatility related to, among other things, speculative trading and certain traders shorting our common shares.

We do not undertake any obligation to update or release any revisions to any forward-looking statement or to report any events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as required by law.

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