

PETROBRAS - PETROLEO BRASILEIRO SA  
Form 6-K  
January 16, 2018

**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**Washington, D.C. 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 January, 2018**

**Commission File Number 1-15106**

**PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A. - PETROBRAS**

**(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)**

**Brazilian Petroleum Corporation - PETROBRAS**

**(Translation of Registrant's name into English)**

**Avenida República do Chile, 65**

**20031-912 - Rio de Janeiro, RJ**

**Federative Republic of Brazil**

**(Address of principal executive office)**

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant files or will file annual reports under cover Form 20-F or Form 40-F.

Form 20-F

Form 40-F

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant by furnishing the information contained in this Form is also thereby furnishing the information to the Commission pursuant to Rule 12g3-2(b) under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

Yes

No

**S&P Global Ratings affirmed Petrobras risk rating**

Rio de Janeiro, January 12, 2018 – Petróleo Brasileiro SA – Petrobras informs that S&P Global Ratings affirmed the company's corporate debt ratings at BB-, with a stable outlook, after downgrading Brazil's sovereign risk level from BB (negative outlook) to BB- (stable outlook).

S&P considers that the company's risk level is correlated with the sovereign risk, being, therefore, capped at Brazil's ratings.

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**FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS**

This release includes forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that are subject to risks and uncertainties. The forward-looking statements, which address the Company's expected business and financial performance, among other matters, contain words such as believe, expect, estimate, anticipate, optimistic, intend, plan, aim, will, may, should, could, would, likely, and similar expressions cautioned not to place undue reliance on these forward-looking statements, which speak only as of the date on which they are made. There is no assurance that the expected events, trends or results will actually occur. We undertake no obligation to publicly update or revise any forward-looking statements, whether as a result of new information or future events or for any other reason.

The Company's actual results could differ materially from those expressed or forecast in any forward-looking statements as a result of a variety of assumptions and factors. These factors include, but are not limited to, the following: (i) failure to comply with laws or regulations, including fraudulent activity, corruption, and bribery; (ii) the outcome of ongoing corruption investigations and any new facts or information that may arise in relation to the Lava Jato Operation; (iii) the effectiveness of the Company's risk management policies and procedures, including operational risk; and (iv) litigation, such as class actions or proceedings brought by governmental and regulatory agencies. A description of other factors can be found in the Company's Annual Report on Form 20-F for the year ended December 31, 2016, and the Company's other filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

**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.

Date: January 12, 2018.

**PETRÓLEO BRASILEIRO S.A PETROBRAS**

By: /s/ Ivan de Souza Monteiro  
Ivan de Souza Monteiro  
Chief Financial Officer and Investor Relations  
Officer