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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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SANTOMERO ANTHONY M			Date of Event equiring Staten Month/Day/Year 5/19/2008	nent ¹	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD</u> [RNR]						
(Last) (First) (Middle) RENAISSANCE HOUSE					tionship of Reporting Persc all applicable) Director	on(s) to Issuer 10% Owner		5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)			
8-20 EAST BROADWAY						Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)		
(Street) PEMBROKE, BERMUDA D0	I	HM 19							X		/ One Reporting Person / More than One erson
(City) (Stat	ate)	(Zip)									
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned											
1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)					2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)				4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)		
Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)											
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)			2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		I 3. Title and Amount of Secur Underlying Derivative Secur		ty (Instr. 4) Conve or Exe		cise	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
			Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title		Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivati Securit	ive	Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

No Securities are beneficially owned. In accordance with the Issuer's policies, a restricted stock grant to Mr. Santomero having, at the time of grant, an aggregate fair market value of \$100,000, will be made on the third business day following the release date of the Issuer's financial results for the second fiscal quarter of 2008. The restricted stock will vest ratably over a three-year period commencing on the anniversary date of Mr. Santomero's appointment to the Issuer's Board of Directors. Exhibit List: Exhibit 24 - Power of Attorney
No securities are beneficially owned.

<u>/s/ Anthony E. Szydlowski,</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact</u>

05/20/2008

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5 (b)(v).

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CONFIRMING STATEMENT

This Statement confirms that the undersigned, Anthony M. Santomero, has authorized and designated each of Fred R. Donner, Stephen H. Weinstein, Mark A. Wilcox, Diana R. Davies, Anthony E. Szydlowski and Jacqui van Beelen (each with full power of substitution) to execute and file any Statements of Changes of Beneficial Ownership of Securities (on Form 3, Form 4 or Form 5) on the undersigned's behalf (including any supplements or amendments thereto) that the undersigned is required to file with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission as a result of the undersigned's ownership of or transactions in securities of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. The authority of such persons under this Statement shall continue until June 1, 2011, unless earlier revoked in writing. The undersigned expressly acknowledges that none of the above persons is assuming any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities and Exchange Act of 1934.

Dated as of: February 20, 2008

/s/ Anthony M. Santomero

Anthony M. Santomero