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): February 16, 2001

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda 34-0-26512 98-013-8020 -----_____ -----(Commission (IKS Empto) Identification No.) (State or other jurisdiction of File Number) incorporation)

> Renaissance House 8-12 East Broadway, Pembroke

Bermuda HM 19 - -----

(Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (441) 295-4513

Not Applicable ______

(Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Item 5. Other Events.

On February 16, 2001, RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. issued the attached press release, filed herewith as Exhibit 99.1 and incorporated herein by reference.

Item 7. Financial Statements and Exhibit

(c) Exhibits:

The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

99.1 Press Release of the Registrant, dated February 16, 2001.

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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.

RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD.

By: /s/ John M. Lummis Date: February 20, 2001 _____

> Name: John M. Lummis Title: Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

Exhibit No. Description

99.1

Press Release of the Registrant dated February 16, 2001.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

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RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Files Registration Statement

Pembroke, Bermuda, February 16, 2001 -- RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (NYSE: RNR) today announced that it has filed a registration statement with the Securities and Exchange Commission relating to the sale of up to 1,726,137 of its common shares. All of the shares are being offered by the United States Fidelity and Guaranty Company, an initial institutional founding shareholder of RenaissanceRe and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of The St. Paul Companies, Inc. These shares constitute all of the shares of RenaissanceRe owned by The St. Paul and its affiliates. The shares may be sold either through a syndicated underwritten public offering or a block trade.

A registration statement relating to these securities has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, but has not yet become effective. These securities may not be sold nor may offers to buy be accepted prior to the time that the registration statement becomes effective. This press release shall not constitute an offer to buy or the solicitation of an offer to buy, nor shall there be any sale of these securities in any state in which such an offer, solicitation or sale would be unlawful prior to registration or qualification under the securities laws of any such state. Any offering will be made only by means of a written prospectus and prospectus supplements meeting the requirements of Section 10 of the Securities Act of 1933. Any such prospectus and prospectus supplements, when available, can be obtained by contacting Ann Linge at Kekst and Company, 437 Madison Avenue, 19th Floor, New York, New York 10022, (212) 521-4831 or by e-mail at ann-linge@kekst.com.

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. is a global provider of reinsurance and insurance. The Company's principal product is property catastrophe reinsurance.

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