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): March 5, 2001

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd.

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Bermuda

34-0-26512

98-013-8020

(State or other jurisdiction (Commission File Number) (IRS Employer of incorporation) Identification No.)

Renaissance House 8-12 East Broadway, Pembroke

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 March 5, 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 Exhibits

(c) Exhibits:

The following exhibits are filed as part of this report:

99.1 Press Release of the Registrant, dated March 5, 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.

Date: March 5, 2001

By: /s/ John M. Lummis

Name: John M. Lummis

Title: Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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99.1 Press Release of the Registrant dated March 5, 2001.

For Immediate Release

RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. Remains Comfortable with

Street Estimates Following Seattle Earthquake

Pembroke, Bermuda, March 5, 2001 -- RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. (NYSE: RNR) announced today that it remains comfortable with Wall Street earnings estimates for its first quarter. Based on the Company's estimates of its losses from the Seattle event, and modest loss activity to date in the quarter, the Company anticipates that its loss experience in the quarter will be consistent with Street estimates.

The Company's assessment of its losses from the Seattle earthquake is preliminary, and assumes that industry insured losses are less than \$3.5 billion. The Company's estimate of its first quarter earnings also assumes that there will not be significant loss activity for the balance of the quarter.

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

Cautionary Statement under "Safe Harbor" Provisions of the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995: Statements made in this news release contain information about the Company's future prospects. These statements may be considered "forward-looking." These statements are subject to risks and uncertainties that could cause actual results to differ materially from those set forth in or implied by such forward-looking statements. For further information regarding cautionary statements and factors affecting future operations and results, please refer to RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd.'s filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission, including its Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 1999 and Forms 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, June 30 and September 30, 2000.

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