FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person [*] <u>NICHOLS JOHN DRAKE</u>	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD</u> [RNR]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner
(Last) (First) (Middle) RENAISSANCE HOUSE 8-12 EAST BROADWAY	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 12/19/2003	X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below) President, Renaissance Underwr
(Street) PEMBROKE, BERMUDA (City)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	 Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
(City) (State) (Zip)	rivetive Securities Acquired Dispessed of an Republicia	

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (li	A. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
			Code V A		Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)
Common Stock								64,519	D	
Common Stock ⁽²⁾	12/19/2003	12/19/2003	G	v	3,550	D	\$0	198,769	Ι	by Partnership ⁽¹⁾
Common Stock								1,137	Ι	by Spouse

Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

(e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

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					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		

Explanation of Responses:

1. These securities are owned and controlled by a family limited partnership for the benefit of immediate family members of the reporting person (the "Partnership") and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the reporting person.

2. This line reflects a bone fide gift to a charity made by the Partnership on December 19, 2003.

/s/ John D. Nichols

** Signature of Reporting Person

01/12/2004 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 4 (b)(v).

** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).

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