## 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 <sup>*</sup> HECHT WILLIAM F		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [ RNR ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)				
HECHI WILLIAM F		[]	X	Director	10% Owner		
(Last) (First) RENAISSANCE HOUSE 8-12 EAST BROADWAY	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2004		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)		
(Street) PEMBROKE HM 19	BERMUDA	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv X	Form filed by One Re	g (Check Applicable Line) porting Person an One Reporting Person		
(City) (State)	(Zip)						

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

	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	te Execution Date,		tion Istr.				5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	<ul> <li>Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)</li> </ul>		(Instr. 4)

 
 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	Date	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transac Code (Ir 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 3 and 4)		8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares		Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)		
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$52.9	03/03/2004		A		6,301		03/03/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	03/03/2014	Common Stock	6,301	\$0	6,301	D	

Explanation of Responses:

1. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 3, 2005.

/s/ William F. Hecht

03/04/2004 Date

\*\* Signature of Reporting Person

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

 $^{\star}$  If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4 (b)(v).

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