FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1. Name and Address of NICHOLS JOH	N DRAKE		2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]		onship of Reporting Person(s) all applicable) Director Officer (give title below)	to Issuer 10% Owner Other (specify below)	
RENAISSANCE H			3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/04/2004		Pres., Renaissance Underwritin		
(Street) PEMBROKE 19, (City) (State)		Bermuda (Zip)	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individ	dual or Joint/Group Filing (Chec Form filed by One Reporting Form filed by More than One	Person	

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)	Transaction Code (Instr.		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
				v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	05/04/2004		F		1,902(1)	D	\$51.59	57,568	D		
Common Stock								158,769	I	by Partnership ⁽²⁾	
Common Stock								1,137	I	by Spouse	

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)	or Exercise Price of Derivative	or Exercise Price of Derivative	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative				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	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)					

Explanation of Responses:

- $1. \ Represents \ exclusively \ shares \ withheld \ by \ the \ Issuer \ in \ respect \ of \ payment \ of \ withholding \ tax \ liability.$
- 2. 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.

/s/ John D. Nichols, Jr.

05/05/2004

** 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 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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