FORM 4

#### **UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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#### STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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| 1. Name and Address of                |               |          | 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [ RNR ] | 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) |  |                       |  |  |  |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|----------|--|---|--|-----------------------|--|--|--|
| STANARD JAN                           | <u>VIES N</u> |          | [  | X   | Director   | 10% Owner             |  |  |  |
| (Last) (First) (Middle)               |               | (Middle) |  | X   | Officer (give title below)   | Other (specify below) |  |  |  |
| C/O RENAISSANCE H                     |               |          | 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 07/01/2005                    |   | Chairman of the Board  | l & CEO               |  |  |  |
| RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 8-20 EAST BROADWAY |               |          |  |   |  |                       |  |  |  |
| (Street) PEMBROKE, BERMUDA HM 19      |               | HM 19    | If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)                          | 6. Indivi   | dual or Joint/Group Filing (Cher<br>Form filed by One Reporting<br>Form filed by More than One | Person                |  |  |  |
| (City)                                | (State)       | (Zip)    |  |   |  |                       |  |  |  |

### 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) |  | 3.<br>Transaction<br>Code (Instr.<br>8) |   | 4. Securities Acquired (A) or<br>Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) |               |        | 5. Amount of<br>Securities<br>Beneficially Owned<br>Following Reported<br>Transaction(s) | 6. Ownership<br>Form: Direct (D)<br>or Indirect (I)<br>(Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |  |
|---------------------------------|--|--|---|---|--|---------------|--------|--|---|---|--|
|                                 |  |  |   | v | Amount   | (A) or<br>(D) | Price  | (Instr. 3 and 4)   |   | (111501.44)   |  |
| Common Stock                    |  |  |   |   |  |               |        | 2,564,881  | D   |   |  |
| Common Stock                    | 07/01/2005   |  | F                                       |   | 24,608(1)  | D             | \$49.4 | 162,792  | I   | by<br>Partnership <sup>(2)</sup>                      |  |

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

| 1. Title of<br>Derivative<br>Security (Instr. 3) | 2.<br>Conversion<br>or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative<br>Security | or Exercise<br>Price of<br>Derivative | 3. Transaction<br>Date<br>(Month/Day/Year) | Transaction Code (Instr. |     | Derivative |                     | Expiration Date    |       | 7. Title and Amount of<br>Securities Underlying<br>Derivative Security (Instr.<br>3 and 4) |  | Derivative                   | 9. Number of<br>derivative<br>Securities<br>Beneficially<br>Owned<br>Following<br>Reported | 10.<br>Ownership<br>Form:<br>Direct (D)<br>or Indirect<br>(I) (Instr. 4) | 11. Nature<br>of Indirect<br>Beneficial<br>Ownership<br>(Instr. 4) |  |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|--|--------------------------|-----|------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------|--|--|------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
|  |   |                                       | Code                                       | v                        | (A) | (D)        | Date<br>Exercisable | Expiration<br>Date | Title | Amount or<br>Number of<br>Shares   |  | Transaction(s)<br>(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 and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the reporting person.

/s/ James N. Stanard

07/06/2005

\*\* 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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