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 GIBBONS JAMES L			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)					
GIBBONS JAI	<u>VIES L</u>		[[]	X	Director	10% Owner			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)		Officer (give title below)	Other (specify below)			
RENAISSANCE I	HOUSE		08/04/2008						
8-20 EAST BROA	DWAY								
(Street)			4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Indiv	vidual or Joint/Group Filing (C	heck Applicable Line)			
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(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)	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)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		(1130.4)
Common Stock	08/04/2008		A		1,982 ⁽¹⁾	Α	\$0.00	1,982	D	

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	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Code (Instr. 8)		Derivative		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)				8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	Ownership Form: Direct (D)	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. In accordance with the Issuer's policies, a restricted stock grant to Mr. Gibbons having, at the time of grant, an aggregate far market value of \$100,000, was made on August 4, 2008, the third business day following the release date of the Issuer's financial results for the second fiscal quarter of 2008. The price per share at the close of business on August 4, 2008 was \$50.46. The restricted stock will vest ratably over a three-year period commencing on the anniversary date of Mr. Gibbons' election to the Issuer's Board of Directors, which was May 19, 2008.

<u>/s/ Anthony E. Szydlowski,</u> <u>Attorney-in-Fact</u> ** Signature of Reporting Person

08/06/2008

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).

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