

**FORM 4****UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP**

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 or Section 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

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 Section 16. Form 4 or Form 5 obligations  
 may continue. See Instruction 1(b).

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Curtis Ross</u>  (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>RENAISSANCE HOUSE</u> <u>12 CROW LANE</u>  (Street) <u>PEMBROKE D0 HM 19</u>  (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [ RNR ]</u>  3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) <u>02/21/2017</u>  4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP, Chief Underwriting Officer</u>  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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**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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price			
Common Stock	02/21/2017		D <sup>(1)(2)</sup>		963	D	\$146.56	92,136	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		D <sup>(2)(3)</sup>		1,475	D	\$146.56	90,661	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		D <sup>(2)(4)</sup>		1,462	D	\$146.56	89,199	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		D <sup>(2)(5)</sup>		1,116	D	\$146.56	88,083	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		D <sup>(2)(6)</sup>		150	D	\$146.56	87,933	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		F <sup>(7)</sup>		82	D	\$146.56	87,851	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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)		5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)		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 Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)	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				

**Explanation of Responses:**

- Represents the forfeiture, following the Compensation Committee's determination of total shareholder return for 2016, of a portion of the third tranche of performance-based restricted shares granted to the reporting person on March 3, 2014 pursuant to the issuer's 2010 Performance-Based Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan").
- The award consisted of three substantially equal tranches and the amount initially awarded represented the maximum potential achievable number of shares. The number of shares in each tranche that ultimately vests at the expiration of the applicable service period is a function of the issuer's total shareholder return relative to a predetermined peer group of companies during a given calendar-year performance period, and is subject to the reporting person's continued employment through the expiration of the applicable service period. Shares that are no longer eligible to vest following the Compensation Committee's determination of total shareholder return for a performance period are immediately forfeited.
- Represents the forfeiture, following the Compensation Committee's determination of total shareholder return for 2016, of a portion of the second tranche of performance-based restricted shares granted to the reporting person on November 10, 2014 pursuant to the Plan.
- Represents the forfeiture, following the Compensation Committee's determination of total shareholder return for 2016, of a portion of the second tranche of performance-based restricted shares granted to the reporting person on February 27, 2015 pursuant to the Plan.
- Represents the forfeiture, following the Compensation Committee's determination of total shareholder return for 2016, of a portion of the first tranche of performance-based restricted shares granted to the reporting person on January 12, 2016 pursuant to the Issuer's 2001 Stock Incentive Plan as amended and restated June 1, 2002.
- Represents the forfeiture, following the Compensation Committee's determination of total shareholder return for 2016, of a portion of the first tranche of performance-based restricted shares granted to the reporting person on May 16, 2016 pursuant to the Issuer's 2016 Long-Term Incentive Plan.
- Shares withheld for payment of withholding taxes upon the vesting, on February 21, 2017, of performance-based restricted shares granted to the reporting person on March 3, 2014.

**Remarks:**

/S/ Stephen H. Weinstein,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/23/2017

\*\* 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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POWER OF ATTORNEY

Know all by these present that the undersigned hereby constitutes and appoints Stephen H. Weinstein, Jeffrey D. Kelly, Mark A. Wilcox, Molly E. Gardner, Nicholas J. West, Scott Gale and Kirsty A. Swart signing singly, the undersigned's true and lawful attorney-in-fact to:

(1) execute for and on behalf of the undersigned, in the undersigned's capacity as an officer and/or employee of RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. or one of its subsidiaries (the "Company"), Forms 3, 4 and 5 in accordance with Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the rules thereunder;

(2) do and perform any and all acts for and on behalf of the undersigned which may be necessary or desirable to complete and execute any such Form 3, 4, or 5, complete and execute any amendment or amendments thereto, and timely file such form with the United States Securities and Exchange Commission and any stock exchange or similar authority; and

(3) take any other action of any type whatsoever in connection with the foregoing which, in the opinion of such attorney-in-fact, may be of benefit to, in the best interest of, or legally required by, the undersigned, it being understood that the documents executed by such attorney-in-fact on behalf of the undersigned pursuant to this Power of Attorney shall be in such form and shall contain such terms and conditions as such attorney-in-fact may approve in such attorney-in-fact's discretion.

The undersigned hereby grants to such attorney-in-fact full power and authority to do and perform any and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary, or proper to be done in the exercise of any of the rights and powers herein granted, as fully to all intents and purposes as the undersigned might or could do if personally present, with full power of substitution or revocation, hereby ratifying and confirming all that such attorney-in-fact, or such attorney-in-fact's substitute or substitutes, shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney and the rights and powers herein granted. The undersigned acknowledges that the foregoing attorneys-in-fact, in serving in such capacity at the request of the undersigned, are not assuming, nor is the Company assuming, any of the undersigned's responsibilities to comply with Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

This Power of Attorney shall remain in full force and effect until the undersigned is no longer required to file Forms 3, 4, and 5 with respect to the undersigned's holdings of and transactions in securities issued by the Company, unless earlier revoked by the undersigned in a signed writing delivered to the foregoing attorney-in-fact.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has caused this Power of Attorney to be executed as of this 19th day of May, 2015.

/s/ Ross A. Curtis  
Ross A. Curtis