

FORM 4

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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 Reporting Person* <u>BRANAGAN IAN D</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 Risk 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 ⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾		1,111	D	\$146.56	46,746	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		D ⁽²⁾⁽³⁾		1,263	D	\$146.56	45,483	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		D ⁽²⁾⁽⁴⁾		915	D	\$146.56	44,568	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		D ⁽²⁾⁽⁵⁾		105	D	\$146.56	44,463	D	
Common Stock	02/21/2017		F ⁽⁶⁾		566	D	\$146.56	43,897	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		Date Exercisable	Expiration Date					

Explanation of Responses:

1. 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").
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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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