

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>03/01/2017</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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) Other (specify below) <u>SVP, Chief Risk Officer</u>  6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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	03/01/2017		F <sup>(1)</sup>		1,590	D	\$150.35	42,307	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F <sup>(2)</sup>		1,113	D	\$150.35	41,194	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F <sup>(3)</sup>		672	D	\$150.35	40,522	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		F <sup>(4)</sup>		78	D	\$150.35	40,444	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		A <sup>(5)</sup>		5,782	A	\$0.00	46,226	D	
Common Stock	03/01/2017		A <sup>(6)</sup>		7,784	A	\$0.00	54,010	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:

1. This represents shares withheld by the Issuer for payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted shares granted on March 1, 2013.
2. This represents shares withheld by the Issuer for payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted shares granted on February 27, 2015.
3. This represents shares withheld by the Issuer for payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted shares granted on January 12, 2016.
4. This represents shares withheld by the Issuer for payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted shares granted on May 16, 2016.
5. Grant of restricted common shares of the issuer pursuant to the RenaissanceRe Holdings Ltd. 2016 Long-Term Incentive Plan (the "2016 Plan"). These shares will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 1, 2018.
6. Grant of performance-based restricted common shares of the issuer pursuant to the 2016 Plan. These shares will vest following the expiration of the service period on December 31, 2019, subject to the satisfaction of service- and performance-based vesting conditions. The award consists of three substantially equal tranches. The amount awarded represents the maximum potential achievable number of shares. The number of shares in each tranche that ultimately vest is a function of the issuer's total shareholder return relative to the members of a predetermined peer group of companies during a given calendar-year performance period (2017, 2018 or 2019), and is subject to the reporting person's continued employment through the expiration of the service period. If, following the Compensation Committee's determination of total shareholder return for a performance period, there are shares that are no longer eligible to vest, those shares will be immediately forfeited.

Remarks:

/s/ Molly E. Gardner, Attorney-in-Fact 03/03/2017

\*\* 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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