FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* STANARD JAMES N						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
(Last) (First) (Middle) RENAISSANCE HOUSE				RN	R]								X Direct	ctor er (give t	itle		% Owner ner (specify		
(Last) (First) (Middle)													X below				ow)		
RENAISSANCE HOUSE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/17/2004								Chairman of the Board & CEO						
8-12 EAST BROADWAY													05/						
(Street) PEMBROKE Berm)	do	4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
HM 19,		sermu	ua											n filed by			Reporting		
(City)	(City) (State) (Zip)													1 613	ion				
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
				2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year		2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)		ite,	Transaction D		4. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership	
									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)		l (ins		(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock				05/17/2004					F		1,018(1)	D	\$49.84	2,569,601		I	D		
Common Stock														181,929]		by Partnership ⁽²	
		Та	ble II								oosed of, convertib			y Owned					
1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execu if any	eemed Ition Date, h/Day/Year)	4. Transa Code (8)		5. Nu of Deriv Secu Acqu (A) of Dispo of (D) (Instr and 5	rative rities ired r osed)	Expir	te Exer ation D th/Day/		7. Title Amoun Securit Under! Derivat Securit and 4)	it of ties ying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Number of the second of the	ve es ially ng ed ction(s)	10. Owners Form: Direct (I or Indire (I) (Instr	Beneficial Ownership ct (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date	isable	Expiration Date	Title	of Shares						

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 (the "Partnership") and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the reporting person.

/s/ James N. Stanard

05/18/2004

** 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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