FORM 4

## UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

Washington, D.C. 20549

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* HECHT WILLIAM F					2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD RNR								(Ch	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
HECHT WILLIAM F														X Directo	or		10% Ow	/ner	
(Last)	Last) (First) (Middle)				•									Officer below)	(give title		Other (s below)	pecify	
RENAISSANCE HOUSE					3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)														
8-12 EAST BROADWAY					03/03/2004														
(Street)				4. If	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)								6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)						
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(City)	(City) (State) (Zip		(Zip)	ip)															
Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned																			
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)  2. Transac Date (Month/Da					Execution Date			e, Transaction Disposed Code (Instr. 5)			ties Acquired (A) or I Of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and		5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported		Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)		7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership		
								Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D) Price		Transac (Instr. 3	tion(s)			(Instr. 4)		
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)	Execution Date, if any		4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)				6. Date Exercisab Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		Amount of		f g Security	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Numbe derivative Securities Beneficial Owned Following Reported Transactic (Instr. 4)	e S Illy	10. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)	
				C	ode	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable		xpiration ate	Title	Amount or Number of Shares						
Non- qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$52.9	03/03/2004			A		6,301		03/03/2005 <sup>(1)</sup>	) 0	3/03/2014	Common Stock	6,301	\$0	6,301		D		

## **Explanation of Responses:**

1. The option vests in three equal annual installments beginning on March 3, 2005.

/s/ William F. Hecht

03/04/2004

\*\* 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).
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