Hoffman Scott D Form 4 February 12, 2009

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section

30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Title of

Security

(Instr. 3)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hoffman Scott D

(First)

(Middle)

C/O LAZARD LTD, 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA

(Street)

(State)

NEW YORK, NY 10020

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Symbol

Lazard Ltd [LAZ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 02/10/2009

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

(Zip)

(Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 8)

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

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Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

(Month/Day/Year)

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. 1 **Underlying Securities** De (Instr. 3 and 4) Sec

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

General Counsel

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

(I)

(Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

(9-02)

Indirect

Issuer

below)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned Following

Beneficially

Director

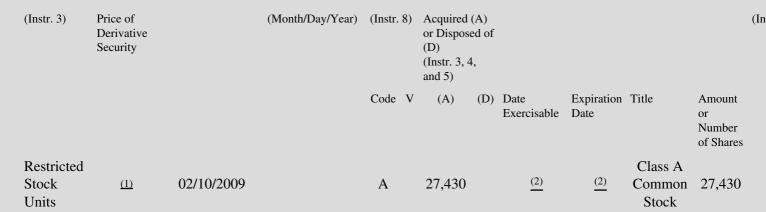
Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

Estimated average

burden hours per

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hoffman Scott D C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10020

General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Scott D. 02/12/2009 Hoffman

**Signature of Date
Reporting Person

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A common stock of Lazard Ltd.
- (2) The Restricted Stock Units granted on February 10, 2009 will vest on February 4, 2013.

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