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FORM 4

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Bucaille Matthieu			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
			Lazard Ltd [LAZ]	(Check all applicable)			
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	**			
			(Month/Day/Year)	Director 10% Owner			
C/O LAZARD LTD, 30			02/08/2016	_X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chief Financial Officer			
ROCKEFELLER PLAZA							
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check			
			Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person			
NEW YORK, NY 10112				Form filed by More than One Reporting Person			
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acc	quired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owner			

(City)	(State) (Z	Zip) Table	I - Non-De	erivative So	ecuritio	es Acq	uired, Disposed o	f, or Beneficial	ly Owned
1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (D) (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of	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)
Restricted Class A common stock	02/08/2016		M	82,380	A	(1)	82,380	D	
Restricted Class A common stock	02/08/2016		M	82,948	A	(2)	165,328 (3)	D	

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 (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. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orderivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) A) d of		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		8 I S (
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/08/2016		M	82,380	<u>(1)</u>	<u>(1)</u>	Restricted Class A common stock	82,380	
Restricted Stock Units	(2)	02/08/2016		M	82,948	(2)	(2)	Restricted Class A common stock	82,948	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Bucaille Matthieu C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10112

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

/s/ Matthieu Bucaille by Scott D. Hoffman under a P of A

02/09/2016

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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) The reporting person has become eligible for retirement under the Company's RSU Retirement Policy, which is described in the Company's 2015 Proxy Statement. As a result of the foregoing, certain RSUs, and certain PRSUs for which the performance conditions have been satisfied, that were previously granted to the reporting person are no longer subject to the service-based vesting requirements contained in the underlying award agreements. Such RSUs and PRSUs (for which the performance conditions have been satisfied) have now become subject to taxation and have been settled in the form of Restricted Class A common stock. The Restricted Class A common

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stock, excluding any portion that the reporting person may be permitted to sell solely in order to pay the related taxes (in accordance with the applicable award agreements), will remain subject to all restrictive covenants contained in the underlying award agreements until the original vesting dates set forth in the award agreements.

- As discussed in the Company's 2015 Proxy Statement, the reporting person received a special RSU award in 2011 in connection with his appointment as Chief Financial Officer. The special RSU award will vest on March 1, 2019. The Company's RSU Retirement Policy is
- (2) not applicable to the special RSU award. The RSUs granted under the special RSU award have been settled in the form of Restricted Class A common stock, which continues to be subject to all restrictive covenants and all service-based vesting requirements set forth in the original award agreement until March 1, 2019.
- (3) Amount excludes 233,427 shares of Class A common stock of Lazard Ltd beneficially owned by the reporting person.

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