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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Hoffman Scott D Issuer Symbol Lazard Ltd [LAZ] (Check all applicable) (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) Director 10% Owner Other (specify X\_ Officer (give title C/O LAZARD LTD, 30 11/15/2012 below) ROCKEFELLER PLAZA General Counsel (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 Form filed by More than One Reporting NEW YORK, NY 10020 Person

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tab	le I - Non-l	Derivative	Secur	ities Acqu	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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securit on(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4)	sposed	of (D)	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)
Class A common stock	11/15/2012		C	61,091 (1)	A	\$ 0	69,486	D	
Class A common stock	11/15/2012		S	61,091	D	\$ 27.39 (2)	8,395	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)

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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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)		3
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC	(3)	11/15/2012		С		61,091	(3)	(3)	Class A Common Stock	61,091	

# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships
Reporting Owner Name / Address	

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. 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) The shares of Class A common stock were acquired upon the exchange of Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC.
- (2) Shares acquired by the Company at a price based on the average of the New York Stock Exchange closing price of Class A common stock on November 13 -- November 15, 2012.
- (3) The Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC are exchangeable on a one-for-one basis for Class A comon stock of Lazard Ltd.
- (4) Amount excludes 184,381 previously granted Restricted Stock Units.

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