

ODonnell Kevin
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FORM 4

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION
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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
 ODonnell Kevin

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer
 (Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 12 CROW LANE
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 02/21/2012

____ Director ____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) ____ Other (specify below)
 Global CUO, Pres, RenReins.Ltd

PEMBROKE, D0 HM19

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 ____ Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

(City) (State) (Zip)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially 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. Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) | 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) |
|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| Common Stock | 02/21/2012 | | D | (A) V Amount 1,062 (1) Price \$ 73.52 | 139,321 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/21/2012 | | F | (A) V Amount 1,282 (2) Price \$ 73.52 | 138,039 | D | |
| Common Stock | | | | | 1,079 | I | by Partnership (3) |

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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | 7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4) | 8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5) | 9. Number of Derivative Securities Owned Following Transaction (Instr. 5) |
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

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RENAISSANCE HOUSE
12 CROW LANE
PEMBROKE, D0 HM19

Global CUO,Pres,RenReins.Ltd

Signatures

/s/ Dierk A. Flemming,
Attorney-in-Fact

02/23/2012

**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) Represents 1,062 Performance Shares cancelled from a maximum of 6,192 Performance Shares eligible to vest as a result of the Registrant's Total Shareholder Return for the calendar-year 2011 performance period relative to the members of a predetermined peer group. See Remarks below.
- (2) Represents exclusively shares withheld by the Registrant in respect of payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of the Performance Shares.
- (3) These securities are owned and controlled by a family limited partnership for the benefit of immediate family members of the Reporting Person and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person.

Remarks:

On June 9, 2010 the Reporting Person was granted performance-based restricted Common Shares of the Issuer ("Performance

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