#### TARANTO JOSEPH V

Form 5

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# FORM 5

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Transactions Reported

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * TARANTO JOSEPH V	2. Issuer Name <b>and</b> Ticker or Trading Symbol	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			
(Last) (First) (Middle)	EVEREST RE GROUP LTD [RE]  3. Statement for Issuer's Fiscal Year Ended	(Check all applicable)			
EVEREST REINSURANCE	(Month/Day/Year) 12/31/2012	X Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) below)  Chairman & CEO			
CO, 477 MARTINSVILLE ROAD (Street)	4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Reporting			

LIBERTY CORNER, NJÂ 07938

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(check applicable line)

(City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. 7. Nature of Transaction Execution Date, if Indirect Security (Month/Day/Year) (A) or Disposed of Securities Ownership (Instr. 3) Code (D) Beneficially Form: Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Owned at end Direct (D) Ownership of Issuer's or Indirect (Instr. 4) Fiscal Year (I) (A) (Instr. 3 and (Instr. 4) or Price Amount (D) Common Â 12/26/2012 12/26/2012  $J5^{(1)}$ 33,500 D \$0 328,008 D Stock Indirect through Common **Taranto** 12/26/2012 12/26/2012 J5(1) 33.500 A I \$0 33,500 Stock Family 2012 Irrevocable Trust

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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)	4. Transaction Code (Instr. 8)	of (Month/Day		ate	7. Title Amou Under Securi (Instr.	nt of lying	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	
				4, and 5) (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares		

### **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
. 0	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
TARANTO JOSEPH V				
EVEREST REINSURANCE CO	â v	â	Chairman & CEO	â
477 MARTINSVILLE ROAD	АЛ	А	A Chairman & CEO	A
LIBERTY CORNER, NJ 07938				

## **Signatures**

SANJOY MUKHERJEE (Attorney-in-Fact) 01/17/2013

\*\*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) 33,500 shares of Everest Re were transferred to the Taranto Family 2012 Irrevocable Trust.

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