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FORM 4

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 * Weinstein Stephen Howard

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 03/03/2008

Director 10% Owner Other (specify _X__ Officer (give title below)

SVP, General Counsel & Secty

RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 8-20 **EAST BROADWAY**

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(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 on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 4)	
Common Stock	03/03/2008		A		5,763 (1)	A	\$0	60,927	D	
Common Stock	03/03/2008		F		976 (2)	D	\$ 53.86	59,951	D	
Common Stock	03/03/2008		G	V	445 (3)	D	\$ 0	59,506	D	
Common Stock	03/03/2008		G	V	445 (3)	A	\$ 0	1,948	I	By Trust

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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. 5. Number of TransactiorDerivative Code Securities (Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Am Underlying Sec (Instr. 3 and 4)
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title ON O
Incentive Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.86	03/03/2008		A	1,856	03/03/2012(5)	03/03/2018	Common Stock
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 53.86	03/03/2008		A	29,309	03/03/2009(5)	03/03/2018	Common 2

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Weinstein Stephen Howard RENAISSANCE HOUSE 8-20 EAST BROADWAY PEMBROKE, BERMUDA, D0 HM19

SVP, General Counsel & Secty

Signatures

/s/ Anthony E. Szydlowski, Attorney-in-Fact

03/05/2008

**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) These shares are scheduled to vest in four equal installments beginning on March 3, 2009.
- (2) Represents exclusively shares withheld by the Registrant in respect of payment of withholding tax liability incurred upon the vesting of restricted shares.

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- (3) On March 3, 2008, the reporting person made a gift of 445 shares of Common Stock to a trust for the benefit of a minor child of the reporting person.
- (4) These shares were gifted to and are held directly by a trust for the benefit of a minor child of the reporting person, and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the reporting person.
- On March 3, 2008, the Registrant granted Mr. Weinstein employee stock options comprised of (i) 1,856 incentive stock options which are (5) scheduled to vest in a single installment on March 3, 2012 and (ii) a total of 29,309 non-qualified stock options which are scheduled to vest in four annual installments of 7,792, 7,791, 7,791 and 5,935 beginning on March 3, 2009.

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