

HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST
Form 4
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FORM 4

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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 *
Shah Neil H

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
HERSHA HOSPITALITY TRUST [HT]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
148 SHERATON DRIVE, BOX A
(Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
02/16/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
Executive Vice President

NEW CUMBERLAND, PA 17070
(City) (State) (Zip)

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				(A) or (D)	Code V Amount (D) Price		

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	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of Derivative Securities	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Partnership Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/16/2006	<u>J</u> ⁽³⁾	164,474					02/16/2006	<u>(2)</u>	Common Shares of Beneficial Interest	164,474

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Shah Neil H 148 SHERATON DRIVE BOX A NEW CUMBERLAND, PA 17070			Executive Vice President	

Signatures

Neil H. Shah 02/21/2006
 **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) Partnership Units in Hersha Hospitality Trust are redeemable for Common Shares of Beneficial Interest in Hersha Hospitality Trust on a one for one basis.
- (2) None.
- (3) The Partnership Units were acquired by Mr. Shah as consideration for the sale of Mr. Shah's membership interests in Metro JFK Associates LLC, the owner of a leasehold interest in the land, improvements and certain personal property of the Hilton Garden Inn JFK, to Hersha Hospitality Limited Partnership.

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