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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 *
 Castellano Michael J

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 C/O LAZARD LTD, 30
 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA
 (Street)

NW YORK, NY 10020

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 Lazard Ltd [LAZ, LDZ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 12/06/2006

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

___ Director ___ 10% Owner
 ___X___ Officer (give title below) ___ Other (specify below)
 Chief Financial Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 ___X___ Form filed by One Reporting Person
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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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
Class A common stock	12/06/2006		C		66,312 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0 66,312 <u>(1)</u>
Class A common stock	12/06/2006		S		66,312	D	\$ 45.42 0 <u>(2)</u>

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. Filing Date
Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC	(1)	12/06/2006		C	66,312	(1) (1)	Class A Common Stock	66,312

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Castellano Michael J C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NW YORK, NY 10020			Chief Financial Officer	

Signatures

/s/ Michael J. Castellano by Scott D. Hoffman under Pof A 12/06/2006

__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).

The Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings are exchangeable on a one for one basis for Class A comon stock of Lazard Ltd. By their terms the Class II Interests become effectively exchangeable on May 10, 2013, however, on each of May 10, 2008, May 10, 2009 and May 10, 2010, holders of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC Class II Interests that satisfy certain minimum service requirements and other

(1) conditions will be entitled to exchange a third of their respective Class II Interests. Holders of Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC, upon the approval of the Lazard Ltd board of directors, will, in certain limited circumstances, also have the ability to accelerate the exchangeability of these Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC. The Lazard Ltd board of directors has approved the accelerated exchange of the Class II Interests set forth above on a one for one basis for Class A common stock.

(2) Public offering price.

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