Hele John C.R. Form 4 May 07, 2010

FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

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may continue. See Instruction STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

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(Print or Type Responses)

1(b).

(Last)

(City)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * Hele John C.R.

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD. [ACGL]

(Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

> (Month/Day/Year) 05/05/2010

WESSEX HOUSE, 4TH FLOOR, 45 **REID STREET**

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

(Check all applicable)

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

EVP, CFO & Treasurer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

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1.Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any	3. Transa Code (Instr.

(Zip)

4. Securities actionAcquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported

Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

Code V Amount Price (D)

Common

per share

Shares, \$.01 05/05/2010 par value

7,600 (1)

(1)

40,200

D

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. Transacti 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Stock Appreciation Right (2)	\$ 75.03	05/05/2010		A	7,600	<u>(2)</u>	05/05/2020	Common Shares, \$.01 par value per share	7,600

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hele John C.R. WESSEX HOUSE, 4TH FLOOR 45 REID STREET HAMILTON, D0 HM 12

EVP, CFO & Treasurer

Signatures

/s/ Louis T. Petrillo Attorney in Fact

05/07/2010

**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 restricted shares that vest in three equal annual installments on May 5th in each of 2011, 2012 and 2013, subject to the applicable award agreement.
- The stock appreciation right will become exercisable in three equal annual installments, with the first installment becoming exercisable on May 5, 2011 and the next two installments on May 5, 2012 and May 5, 2013, subject to the applicable award agreement.

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