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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 *
 ODonnell Kevin

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
 RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

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

(Last) (First) (Middle)
 RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 8-20 EAST BROADWAY
 (Street)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)
 03/21/2006

____ Director _____ 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) _____ Other (specify below)
 SVP-Property Catastrophe

PEMBROKE HM 19, BERMUDA

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
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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 (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 Indirect Ownership (Instr. 4)			
			Code	V	Amount or (D) Price					
Common Stock	03/21/2006		A		20,187 <u>(1)</u>	A	\$ 0	85,444	D	
Common Stock							162	I	by Family Trust <u>(2)</u>	
Common Stock							48,324	I	by Partnership <u>(3)</u>	
Common Stock							5,088	I	by Spouse	

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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. 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 Underlying Security (Instr. 3 and 4)
Non-qualified Stock Option (right to buy)	\$ 42.66	03/21/2006		A	67,281	03/21/2007 ⁽⁴⁾ 03/21/2016	Common Stock

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
O'Donnell Kevin RENAISSANCE HOUSE 8-20 EAST BROADWAY PEMBROKE HM 19, BERMUDA			SVP-Property Catastrophe	

Signatures

/s/ Kevin O'Donnell 03/23/2006

**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).
- (1) These shares will vest in four equal annual installments beginning on March 21, 2007.
- (2) These securities are held by a trust for the benefit of immediate family members of the reporting person.
- (3) These securities are owned and controlled by a family limited partnership for the benefit of immediate family members of the reporting person and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the reporting person.
- (4) The option vests in four equal annual installments beginning on March 21, 2007.

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