TARANTO JOSEPH V

Form 4

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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 * TARANTO JOSEPH V			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol EVEREST RE GROUP LTD [RE]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)		
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction	(Check an applicable)		
EVEREST REINSURANCE CO, 477 MARTINSVILLE ROAD			(Month/Day/Year) 09/20/2012	_X_ Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) Chairman & CEO		
	(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check		
LIBERTY C	ORNER, N	J 07938	Filed(Month/Day/Year)	Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		

(City)	(State)	(Zip) Tal	ole I - Non-	Derivative.	e Secu	rities Acquire	ed, Disposed of, o	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. Securit on Disposed (Instr. 3, 4)	of (D)		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 Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
Common Shares (1)	09/20/2012	09/20/2012	A	40,000	A	\$ 55.595	377,225	D	
Common Shares (1)	09/20/2012	09/20/2012	F	30,023	D	\$ 109.86	347,202	D	
Common Shares (1)	09/21/2012	09/21/2012	S	9,977	D	\$ 109.1173	337,225	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)

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Deriv	ative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	nt of	Derivative	Deriv
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					C-J- V	(A) (D)						
					Code V	(A) (D)				Shares		

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
TARANTO JOSEPH V EVEREST REINSURANCE CO 477 MARTINSVILLE ROAD LIBERTY CORNER, NJ 07938	X		Chairman & CEO				

Signatures

SANJOY MUKHERJEE (Attorney-in-Fact)

09/24/2012

**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).
- Options exercised and shares sold in accordance with the previously approved Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan. 40,000 common shares were

 (1) exercised due to their forthcoming expiration on September 26, 2012, 20,242 common shares were used to pay for the exercise cost and 9,781 common shares were used to pay withholding taxes. The remaining 9,977 common shares were then sold in the open market.

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