BRANAGAN IAN D

Form 4

February 14, 2012

FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * BRANAGAN IAN D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

(Check all applicable)

(First) (Middle)

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

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

RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 12

SVP, Chief Risk Officer

CROW LANE

(Street)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

02/13/2012

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

X Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PEMBROKE, D0 HM19

| (City) | (State) | (Zip) Tabl | e I - Non-D | erivative S | Securi | ties Acqu | ired, Disposed of | , or Beneficiall | y Owned |
|--------------------------------------|---|---|--|-------------------------------------|-----------|-------------|--|--|---|
| 1.Title of Security (Instr. 3) | 2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year) | 2A. Deemed Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year) | 3. Transactio Code (Instr. 8) | 4. Securit n(A) or Dis (Instr. 3, 4 | sposed | of (D) | 5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported | 6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4) | 7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4) |
| | | | Code V | Amount | or (D) | Price | Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4) | | |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2012 | | M <u>(1)</u> | 20,993 | A | \$ 44.3 | 68,476 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2012 | | F(1) | 12,747 | D | \$ 72.96 | 55,729 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2012 | | M(2) | 8,712 | A | \$ 45.43 | 64,441 | D | |
| Common Stock | 02/13/2012 | | F(2) | 5,425 | D | \$ 72.96 | 59,016 | 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. Transaction Code (Instr. 8) | 5. Number of onDerivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5) | 6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year) | | 7. Title and Amo Underlying Secur (Instr. 3 and 4) | |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|--|--------------------|--|------------------------|
| | | | | Code V | (A) (D) | Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | An or Nu of S |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 44.3 | 02/13/2012 | | M <u>(1)</u> | 20,993 | 01/03/2007 | 01/03/2016 | Common Stock | 20 |
| Non-Qualified Stock Option (right to buy) | \$ 45.43 | 02/13/2012 | | M(2) | 8,712 | 05/16/2004 | 05/16/2013 | Common Stock | 8. |

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

BRANAGAN IAN D RENAISSANCE HOUSE 12 CROW LANE PEMBROKE, D0 HM19

SVP, Chief Risk Officer

Signatures

/s/ Dierk A. Flemming, Attorney-in-Fact 02/14/2012

**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).
- (1) The transactions reported hereby relate to the exercise of employee stock options originally granted to the Reporting Person on January 3, 2006 with a ten year term.
- (2) The transactions reported hereby relate to the exercise of employee stock options originally granted to the Reporting Person on May 16, 2003 with a ten year term.

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