Lazard Ltd Form 4 September 03, 2008

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UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF **SECURITIES**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

Form 4 or Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

Symbol

Lazard Ltd [LAZ]

(Month/Day/Year)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

3.

08/29/2008

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

4. If Amendment, Date Original

See Instruction 1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *

Wasserstein Bruce

(Last)

(First) (Middle)

C/O LAZARD LTD, 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA

(Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10020

(City) (State)

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed

Security (Instr. 3)

(Month/Day/Year)

(Zip)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

TransactionAcquired (A) or Code

(Instr. 8)

Disposed of (D)

4. Securities

(Instr. 3, 4 and 5)

(A)

Reported Transaction(s) Code V Amount (D) Price

Issuer

below)

Person

5. Amount of

Securities

Owned Following

Beneficially

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

_X__ Director

Applicable Line)

X_ Officer (give title

(Instr. 3 and 4)

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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 Conversion

or Exercise

Security

3. Transaction Date 3A. Deemed (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number of **Transaction**Derivative Code Securities

6. Date Exercisable and **Expiration Date** (Month/Day/Year)

7. Title and Amount of 8. 1 **Underlying Securities** (Instr. 3 and 4)

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5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Chairman & CEO

6. Ownership

Form: Direct

(D) or Indirect Beneficial

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

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

(I)

(Instr. 4)

10% Owner

Other (specify

7. Nature of

Ownership

(Instr. 4)

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(9-02)

Indirect

Estimated average

burden hours per

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| (Instr. 3) | Price of Derivative Security | | (Month/Day/Year) | (Instr. 8 | or Dis (D) (Instr. | or Disposed of | | | | (| (I |
|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|------------------|-----------|--------------------------|----------------|-----------------------|--------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|----|
| | | | | Code | V (A) |) (D) |) Date Exercisable | Expiration Date | Title | Amount or Number of Shares | |
| Restricted Stock Units (1) | <u>(2)</u> | 08/29/2008 | | A | 10,2 | 27 | (3) | (3) | Class A Common Stock | 10,227 | |

Reporting Owners

| Reporting Owner Name / Address | Relationships | | | | | | | |
|---|---------------|-----------|----------------|-------|--|--|--|--|
| reporting of their runner, requires | Director | 10% Owner | Officer | Other | | | | |
| Wasserstein Bruce C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10020 | X | | Chairman & CEO | | | | | |

Signatures

/s/ Bruce Wasserstein by Scott D. Hoffman under Pof A 09/02/2008

**Signature of Reporting Person

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) Additional Restricted Stock Units were acquired pursuant to the dividend equivalent reinvestment provisions of the underlying Restricted Stock Unit Award.

Date

- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A common stock of Lazard Ltd.
- (3) Of the 10,227 Restricted Stock Units acquired, 1,124 vest on March 31, 2010; 2,700 vest on March 31, 2011 and 6,403 vest on December 31, 2012.

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