BHUTANI ASHISH

Form 4

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FORM 4

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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1(b).

(Last)

(City)

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **BHUTANI ASHISH**

(First)

(State)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

(Check all applicable)

Vice Chairman

below)

Issuer

below)

Lazard Ltd [LAZ] (Middle)

(Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year)

02/10/2012

_X__ Director 10% Owner X_ Officer (give title Other (specify

C/O LAZARD LTD, 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

Person

(Street) Filed(Month/Day/Year)

NEW YORK, NY 10020

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if TransactionAcquired (A) or Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) Code Disposed of (D) Beneficially (D) or Indirect Beneficial (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Ownership (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 8) Owned (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

> Reported (A) Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)

Code V Amount (D) Price

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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	(Instr. 8) Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)						
				Code V	/ (A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Restricted Stock Units	<u>(1)</u>	02/10/2012		A	115,785		(2)	<u>(2)</u>	Class A common stock	115,785	

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
.r. g	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
BHUTANI ASHISH							
C/O LAZARD LTD	X		Vice Chairman				
30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA	Λ		vice Chairman				
NEW YORK, NY 10020							

Signatures

/s/ Ashish Bhutani by Scott D. Hoffman under a P
of A

**Signature of Reporting Person

Date

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- * 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) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A common stock of Lazard Ltd.
- (2) The Restricted Stock Units granted on February 10, 2012 will vest in two tranches: 33.33% on March 3, 2014 and the other 66.67% on March 2, 2015.

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