

Hittner Richard  
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**FORM 4**

**UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
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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 \*  
 Hittner Richard

(Last) (First) (Middle)  
 C/O LAZARD LTD, 30  
 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA  
 (Street)

NEW YORK, NY 10020

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
 Lazard Ltd [LAZ]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction  
 (Month/Day/Year)  
 02/24/2012

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

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

\_\_\_ Director \_\_\_ 10% Owner  
 Officer (give title below) \_\_\_ Other (specify below)  
 Chief Accounting Officer

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
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**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 Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Ownership Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
				(A) or (D)	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 Derivative Security	2. Conversion or Exercise	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	3A. Deemed Execution Date, if any	4. Transaction Code	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities	8. Price of Derivative Security
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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	(Instr. 5)		
Code	V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Amount or Number of Shares
A	96	(3)	(3)	Class A common stock	96	\$ 0		

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Hittner Richard C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10020			Chief Accounting Officer	

## Signatures

/s/ Richard Hittner by Scott D. Hoffman under a P of A 02/28/2012

\*\*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) Additional Restricted Stock Units were acquired pursuant to the dividend equivalent reinvestment provisions of the underlying Restricted Stock Unit Award.
- (2) Each Restricted Stock Unit represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A common stock of Lazard Ltd.
- (3) Of the 96 Restricted Stock Units acquired: 9 vest on March 1, 2012; 68 vest on March 1, 2013; and 19 vest on March 3, 2014.

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