

COOPER THOMAS A  
Form 4  
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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 \*  
COOPER THOMAS A

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol  
RENAISSANCERE HOLDINGS LTD [RNR]

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer  
(Check all applicable)

(Last) (First) (Middle)

RENAISSANCE HOUSE, 8-24  
EAST BROADWAY

(Street)

PEMBROKE, BERMUDA, D0 HM  
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(City) (State) (Zip)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year)  
02/16/2010

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

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)  
 Form filed by One Reporting Person  
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

**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 Following Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V Amount (A) or (D) Price			
Common Stock	02/16/2010		M	16,500 (1) A \$ 12.4	83,269	D	
Common Stock	02/16/2010		F	3,818 (2) D \$ 53.6	79,451	D	
Common Stock					6,535	I (3)	by Trusts
Common Stock					423	I	by Spouse

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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 Derivative Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)	7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	Amount or Number of Shares
Non Qualified Stock Option (Right to Buy)	\$ 12.4	02/16/2010		M	16,500	05/04/2001 05/04/2010	Common Stock	16,500

## Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
COOPER THOMAS A RENAISSANCE HOUSE 8-24 EAST BROADWAY PEMBROKE, BERMUDA, D0 HM 19	X			

## Signatures

/s/ Stephen H. Weinstein,  
Attorney-in-Fact

02/18/2010

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 transaction reported hereby relates solely to the exercise of stock options originally granted to the Reporting Person on May 4, 2000 with a ten year term.
- (2) Represents exclusively shares withheld by the Issuer in respect of payment of the exercise price upon the exercise of the stock options.
- (3)

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These securities are held by a trust for the benefit of immediate family members of the Reporting Person and may be deemed to be beneficially owned by the Reporting Person.

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