

Lazard Ltd  
Form 8-K  
July 30, 2008

**UNITED STATES**  
**SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

**WASHINGTON, D.C. 20549**

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT**  
**TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE**  
**SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

**Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) July 29, 2008**

**Lazard Ltd**

**(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)**

**Bermuda**

**(State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation)**

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**001-32492**  
(Commission File Number)

**98-0437848**  
(IRS Employer Identification No.)

**Clarendon House, 2 Church Street, Hamilton, Bermuda**  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

**HM 11**  
(Zip Code)

**441-295-1422**

(Registrant's Telephone Number, Including Area Code)

**Not Applicable**

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (*see* General Instruction A.2. below):

- .. Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

**Item 5.02. Departure of Directors or Certain Officers; Election of Directors; Appointment of Certain Officers; Compensatory Arrangements of Certain Officers**

On July 29, 2008, the Board of Directors of Lazard Ltd (the Board) elected Philip A. Laskawy to the Board. A copy of Lazard Ltd's press release announcing this information is being furnished as Exhibit 99.1 to this Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference. Mr. Laskawy has been appointed as a member of the Audit Committee of the Board, for Steven J. Heyer, who served on the Audit Committee on an interim basis. Mr. Heyer will continue in his role as Chair of Lazard's Compensation Committee and as a member of Lazard's Nominating & Governance Committee.

**Item 9.01. Financial Statements and Exhibits.**

**(d) Exhibits.**

The following exhibits are filed as part of this Report on Form 8-K:

- 99.1 Press Release issued on July 29, 2008.

**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report on Form 8-K to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

Dated: July 30, 2008

**LAZARD LTD**

By: /s/ Scott D. Hoffman

Name: Scott D. Hoffman

Title: Managing Director and General Counsel

EXHIBIT INDEX

99.1 Press Release issued on July 29, 2008.