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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 * Hoffman Scott D

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(First) (Last)

(Middle)

Lazard Ltd [LAZ]

(Check all applicable)

C/O LAZARD LTD, 30

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

(Month/Day/Year) 08/19/2016

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

below) General Counsel

ROCKEFELLER PLAZA

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

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

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

NEW YORK, NY 10112

(City) (State) (Zip)

(Street)

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

1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) (Instr. 3)

Execution Date, if (Month/Day/Year)

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

5. Amount of Securities Beneficially (I) Owned Following (Instr. 4)

6. Ownership 7. Nature of Form: Direct Indirect (D) or Indirect Beneficial Ownership (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 Derivative Security

Conversion or Exercise

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

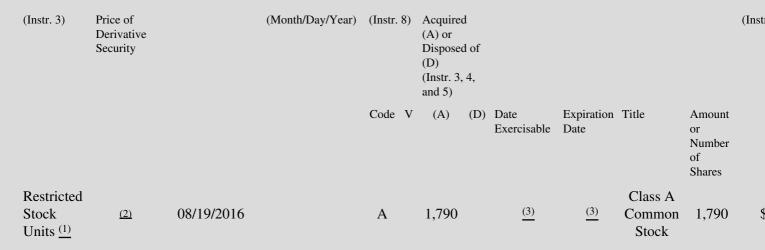
Execution Date, if any

4. 5. Number Transaction of Derivative Expiration Date Code Securities

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

7. Title and Amount of 8. Pr **Underlying Securities** Deri (Instr. 3 and 4) Secu

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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address Relationships

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

Hoffman Scott D C/O LAZARD LTD 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA NEW YORK, NY 10112

General Counsel

Signatures

/s/ Scott D. 08/23/2016

**Signature of Date
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 ("RSUs") were acquired pursuant to the dividend equivalent reinvestment provisions of underlying Performance-based Restricted Stock Unit ("PRSU") awards.
- (2) Each RSU represents a contingent right to receive one share of Class A Common Stock.
- Of these RSUs, 512 will vest on or around March 1, 2017, 519 will vest on or around March 1, 2018, and 759 will vest on or around March 1, 2019.
- (4) Amount excludes 30,424 shares of Class A Common Stock and 33,518 PRSUs beneficially owned by the reporting person.

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