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

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and A Person <u>*</u> Salva Lu	-	porting	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year)	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol ORIENTAL FINANCIAL GROUP INC [OFG]				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)	03/26/2008	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer			5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	
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LOS PASE	OS			(Check all applicable)				
(Street) SAN JUAN, PR 00926				Director10% Owner XOfficerOther (give title below) (specify below) SVP & Chief Credit Officer		6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting Person		
(City)	(State)	(Zip)	Table I - N	Non-Derivat	ive Securiti	es Bei	neficially Owned	
1.Title of Secu (Instr. 4)	rity		2. Amount o Beneficially (Instr. 4)		3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nat Owne (Instr.	•	
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Table II - Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 4)	2. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		3. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Instr. 4)		4. Conversion or Exercise Price of	5. Ownership Form of Derivative	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Derivative Security	Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I)	

(Instr. 5)

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Add	ress	Relationships						
		10% Owner	Officer	Other				
Salva Luis Raul 9 VILLAS PASEO SOL URB. LOS PASEOS SAN JUAN, PR 00926	Â	Â	SVP & Chief Credit Officer	Â				
Signatures								
/s/ Luis R. Salva	03/26/2008							
<u>**</u> Signature of Reporting Person	Date							
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Explanation of Responses:

No securities are beneficially owned

* If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 5(b)(v).

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