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Form SC 13G/A  
March 08, 2006

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

Schedule 13G

Under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934  
(Amendment)

ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES LTD  
(Name of Issuer)

Common Stock  
(Title of Class of Securities)

V7780T103  
(CUSIP Number)

February 28, 2006  
(Date of Event Which Requires Filing of this Statement)

Check the appropriate box to designate the rule pursuant to which this  
Schedule is filed:

Rule 13d-1(b)

\*The remainder of this cover page shall be filled out for a reporting  
person's initial filing on this form with respect to the subject class  
of securities, and for any subsequent amendment containing information which  
would alter the disclosures provided in a prior page.

The information required in the remainder of this cover page shall not  
be deemed to be "filed" for the purpose of Section 18 of the Securities  
Exchange Act of 1934 ("Act") or otherwise subject to the liabilities of that  
section of the Act but shall be subject to all other provisions of the Act  
(however, see the Notes).

CUSIP No. V7780T103  
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(1) Names of Reporting Persons.  
I.R.S. Identification Nos. of above persons (entities only).

BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, NA., 943112180  
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(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group\*  
(a) / /  
(b) /X/

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(3) SEC Use Only

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(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization  
U.S.A.  
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Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power 16,020,160
	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 17,486,419
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

(9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person  
17,486,419

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares\*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)  
8.29%

(12) Type of Reporting Person\*  
BK

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BARCLAYS GLOBAL FUND ADVISORS

(2) Check the appropriate box if a member of a Group\*  
(a) / /  
(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization  
U.S.A.

Number of Shares Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person With	(5) Sole Voting Power 308,429
	(6) Shared Voting Power
	(7) Sole Dispositive Power 308,429
	(8) Shared Dispositive Power -

(9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Each Reporting Person  
308,429

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares\*

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(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)  
0.15%

(12) Type of Reporting Person\*  
IA

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(a) / /  
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(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization  
England

Number of Shares  
Beneficially Owned  
by Each Reporting  
Person With

(5) Sole Voting Power  
3,266,618

(6) Shared Voting Power  
-

(7) Sole Dispositive Power  
3,322,137

(8) Shared Dispositive Power  
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(9) Aggregate  
3,322,137

(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares\*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)  
1.57%

(12) Type of Reporting Person\*  
BK

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BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED

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(a) / /

(b) /X/

(3) SEC Use Only

(4) Citizenship or Place of Organization

Japan

Number of Shares  
Beneficially Owned  
by Each Reporting  
Person With

(5) Sole Voting Power

-

(6) Shared Voting Power

-

(7) Sole Dispositive Power

-

(8) Shared Dispositive Power

-

(9) Aggregate

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(10) Check Box if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares\*

(11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9)

0.00%

(12) Type of Reporting Person\*

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ITEM 1(A). NAME OF ISSUER  
ROYAL CARIBBEAN CRUISES LTD

ITEM 1(B). ADDRESS OF ISSUER'S PRINCIPAL EXECUTIVE OFFICES  
1050 CARIBBEAN WAY  
MIAMI FL 33132

ITEM 2(A). NAME OF PERSON(S) FILING  
BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, NA

ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE  
45 Fremont Street  
San Francisco, CA 94105

ITEM 2(C). CITIZENSHIP  
U.S.A

ITEM 2(D). TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES  
Common Stock

ITEM 2(E). CUSIP NUMBER  
V7780T103

ITEM 3. IF THIS STATEMENT IS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13D-1(B), OR  
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- (a) // Broker or Dealer registered under Section 15 of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78o).
- (b) /X/ Bank as defined in section 3(a) (6) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (c) // Insurance Company as defined in section 3(a) (19) of the Act (15 U.S.C. 78c).
- (d) // Investment Company registered under section 8 of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15 U.S.C. 80a-8).
- (e) // Investment Adviser in accordance with section 240.13d(b) (1) (ii) (E).
- (f) // Employee Benefit Plan or endowment fund in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b) (1) (ii) (F).
- (g) // Parent Holding Company or control person in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b) (1) (ii) (G).
- (h) // A savings association as defined in section 3(b) of the Federal Deposit Insurance Act (12 U.S.C. 1813).
- (i) // A church plan that is excluded from the definition of an investment company under section 3(c) (14) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 (15U.S.C. 80a-3).
- (j) // Group, in accordance with section 240.13d-1(b) (1) (ii) (J)

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BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS, LTD

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ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE  
Murray House  
1 Royal Mint Court  
LONDON, EC3N 4HH

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England

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BARCLAYS GLOBAL INVESTORS JAPAN TRUST AND BANKING COMPANY LIMITED

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ITEM 2(B). ADDRESS OF PRINCIPAL BUSINESS OFFICE OR, IF NONE, RESIDENCE  
Ebisu Prime Square Tower 8th Floor  
1-1-39 Hiroo Shibuya-Ku  
Tokyo 150-0012 Japan

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ITEM 2(C).           CITIZENSHIP  
                                Japan  
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ITEM 2(D).           TITLE OF CLASS OF SECURITIES  
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ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP

Provide the following information regarding the aggregate number and percentage of the class of securities of the issuer identified in Item 1.

(a) Amount Beneficially Owned:  
                                21,116,985  
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(b) Percent of Class:  
                                10.01%  
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- (c) Number of shares as to which such person has:
- (i) sole power to vote or to direct the vote  
                                19,595,207  
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  - (ii) shared power to vote or to direct the vote  
                                -  
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  - (iii) sole power to dispose or to direct the disposition of  
                                21,116,985  
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  - (iv) shared power to dispose or to direct the disposition of  
                                -  
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ITEM 5. OWNERSHIP OF FIVE PERCENT OR LESS OF A CLASS

If this statement is being filed to report the fact that as of the date hereof the reporting person has ceased to be the beneficial owner of more than five percent of the class of securities, check the following. //

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- ITEM 6. OWNERSHIP OF MORE THAN FIVE PERCENT ON BEHALF OF ANOTHER PERSON  
The shares reported are held by the company in trust accounts for the economic benefit of the beneficiaries of those accounts. See also Items 2(a) above.
- ITEM 7. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF THE SUBSIDIARY WHICH ACQUIRED THE SECURITY BEING REPORTED ON BY THE PARENT HOLDING COMPANY  
Not applicable
- ITEM 8. IDENTIFICATION AND CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS OF THE GROUP  
Not applicable
- ITEM 9. NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION OF GROUP  
Not applicable
- ITEM 10. CERTIFICATION

(a) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(b):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were acquired and are held in the ordinary course of business and were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

(b) The following certification shall be included if the statement is filed pursuant to section 240.13d-1(c):

By signing below I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the securities referred to above were not acquired and are not held for the purpose of or with the effect of changing or influencing the control of the issuer of the securities and were not acquired and are not held in connection with or as a participant in any transaction having that purpose or effect.

SIGNATURE

After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

March 8, 2006

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Date

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Signature

Mei Lau  
Financial Reporting Manager

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Name/Title