

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD

Form 4

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FORM 4
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 1(b).

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF
 SECURITIES**

 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934,
 Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section
 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

(Print or Type Responses)

 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person *
BUTT MICHAEL A

 2. Issuer Name **and** Ticker or Trading
 Symbol
AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD
[AXS]

 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to
 Issuer

(Check all applicable)

 (Last) (First) (Middle)
AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS
LIMITED, 92 PITTS BAY ROAD

 3. Date of Earliest Transaction
 (Month/Day/Year)
08/08/2008
☐ Director ☐ 10% Owner
☒ Officer (give title below) ☐ Other (specify below)
 Chairman

(Street)

 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

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

(City) (State) (Zip)

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 Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
			Code	V	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price
							\$
Common Shares	08/08/2008		P		9,000	A	33.23 (1)
							662,130
							D

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)

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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)	8. Price of Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	9. Nu Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repor Trans (Instr
				Code	V (A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
BUTT MICHAEL A AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED 92 PITTS BAY ROAD PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08	X		Chairman	

Signatures

Richard T. Gieryn, Jr.,
Attorney-in-Fact

08/08/2008

____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) Shares were purchased at prices ranging from \$33.08 to \$33.35 per share. Reporting Person hereby undertakes to provide detailed pricing for each transaction upon request by the SEC, the issuer or a security holder of the issuer.

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