

Lazard Ltd
Form 8-K
June 17, 2015

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): June 16, 2015

Lazard Ltd
(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in its Charter)

Bermuda
(State or Other Jurisdiction
of Incorporation)

001-32492
(Commission
File Number)

98-0437848
(IRS Employer
Identification Number)

Clarendon House

2 Church Street

Hamilton, Bermuda

(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

HM-11

(Zip Code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: (441) 295-1422

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):

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- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- .. Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 1.01 Entry into a Material Definitive Agreement.

On June 16, 2015, two wholly owned indirect subsidiaries (the Lazard Subsidiaries) of Lazard Ltd (Lazard) entered into an Amended and Restated Tax Receivable Agreement, which amended and restated the Tax Receivable Agreement, dated as of May 10, 2005, by and among the Lazard Subsidiaries and LMDC Holdings LLC (LMDC Holdings) (as amended and restated, the Amended and Restated Tax Receivable Agreement). Pursuant to the Amended and Restated Tax Receivable Agreement, among other things, (i) LMDC Holdings assigned all of its rights and obligations thereunder to LTBP Trust, a Delaware statutory trust (the Trust), and the Trust assumed all of LMDC Holdings rights and obligations thereunder, (ii) LMDC Holdings distributed the interests in the Trust to certain owners of LMDC Holdings, and (iii) holders of interests in the Trust have the ability, subject to certain restrictions and conditions, to transfer such interests to certain other persons and entities, including Lazard.

The description above is qualified in its entirety by reference to the Amended and Restated Tax Receivable Agreement, which is filed as Exhibit 10.1 to this Current Report on Form 8-K and is incorporated herein by reference.

Item 9.01 Financial Statements and Exhibits.

(d) Exhibits.

| Exhibit No. | Description |
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| 10.1 | Amended and Restated Tax Receivable Agreement, dated as of June 16, 2015, by and among Ltd Sub A, Ltd Sub B, LMDC Holdings and LTBP Trust. |

SIGNATURES

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

LAZARD LTD

By: /s/ Matthieu Bucaille
Name: Matthieu Bucaille
Title: Chief Financial Officer

Date: June 17, 2015

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