FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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			of Section So(ii) of the investment company Act of 1340						
1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* GOLDMAN SACHS GROUP INC/			2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Lazard Ltd [LAZ]	5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)					
GOLDMAN	SACIIS GROU	<u> JP IIVC/</u>		Director X 10% Owner					
(Last) 85 BROAD ST	(First)	(Middle)	3. Date of Earliest Transaction (Month/Day/Year) 05/11/2005	Officer (give title Other (specify below)					
(Street) NEW YORK	NY	10004	4. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) Form filed by One Reporting Person X Form filed by More than One Reporting					
(City)	(State)	(Zip)		Person					

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Table	I - Non-Derivative	Securities Acc	uired	I, Dis	sposed of	, or Be	neficia	lly Owned					
1. Title of Security (Instr. 3)	2. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	2A. Deemed Execution Date,	3. Transa Code (8)	ction	4. Securities Disposed Of 5)	Acquired	(A) or	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported	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	Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)					
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		4,200	D	\$23.1	5,461,200	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		2,200	D	\$23.08	5,459,000	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		600	D	\$23.09	5,458,400	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		4,600	D	\$23.08	5,453,800	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		12,500	D	\$23.1	5,441,300	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		1,000	D	\$23.13	5,440,300	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		6,300	D	\$23.1	5,434,000	I	See Footnote ⁽¹⁾			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		26,200	D	\$23.12	2 5,407,800	I	See Footnote ⁽¹⁾			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		50,000	D	\$23.13	3 5,357,800	I	See Footnote ⁽¹⁾			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		5,900	D	\$23.12	2 5,351,900	I	See Footnote ⁽¹⁾			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		1,400	D	\$23.1	5,350,500	I	See Footnote ⁽¹⁾			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		100	D	\$23.09	5,350,400	I	See Footnote ⁽¹⁾			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		3,900	D	\$23.00	5,346,500	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		3,100	D	\$23.12	2 5,343,400	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		500	D	\$23.15	5 5,342,900	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		3,500	D	\$23.14	5,339,400	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		25,000	D	\$23.12	5,314,400	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			
Class A Common Stock	05/11/2005		S		16,000	D	\$23.14	5,298,400	I	See Footnote ⁽¹			

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									Code	v	Amount	(A) or (D)	Price	Tr	Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 3 and 4)				(Instr. 4)	
Class A C	Common Sto	ock		05/11/	/2005				S		5,000	D	\$23.1	3.17 5,2		3,400	I		See Footnote ⁽	
Class A C	Common Sto	ock		05/11/	/2005				S		50,000	D	\$23.3	5,243,400		3,400	I		See Footnote ⁽	
Class A C	Common Sto	ock		05/11/	/2005				S		200	D	\$23.3	5,243,200			I	See Footnote ⁽		
Class A C	Common Sto	ock		05/11/2005					S		500	D	\$23.1	.8	5,24	2,700		I	See Footnote ⁽	
Class A C	Common Sto	ock		05/11/	/2005				S		400	D	\$23.2	21	5,24	2,300		I	See Footnote	
Class A Common Stock				05/11/2005					S		700	D	\$23.	.8	5,24	1,600		I	See Footnote ⁽	
Class A Common Stock			05/11/2005					S		300	D	\$23.	523.17		5,241,300		I	See Footnote ⁽		
Class A Common Stock				05/11/	05/11/2005						500	D	\$23.3	.18 5,24		.0,800		I	See Footnote ⁽	
Class A Common Stock				05/11/2005					S		700	D	\$23.	17 5,240,1		0,100	I		See Footnote ⁰	
Class A Common Stock				05/11/2005					S		24,000	D \$23.3		.8	5,216,100			I	See Footnote ⁽	
Class A Common Stock				05/11/2005					S		200	D	\$23.	.19 5,215,900		5,900	I		See Footnote ⁽	
Class A Common Stock				05/11/2005					S		400	D			5,215,500			I	See Footnote ⁽	
		Ta	able II -								osed of, convertib			y Ow	ned					
	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative	3. Transaction Date (Month/Day/Year)	Executi		4. Transac Code (II 8)		n of		6. Date Exerc Expiration Da (Month/Day/V		ate	7. Title a Amount Securiti Underly Derivati Security and 4)	t of es ring	8. Prio Derivi Secui (Instr.	ative rity	9. Number derivative Securities Beneficiall Owned Following Reported Transactio (Instr. 4)	Ownershi Form: ly Direct (D) or Indirec (I) (Instr. 4	wnership orm: irect (D) r Indirect	11. Nature of Indirec Beneficial Ownershi (Instr. 4)	
					Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exercis	sable	Expiration Date		Amount or Number of Shares							
		Reporting Person*	P INC/																	
(Last)		(First)	(Mid	ddle)																
		DIXZ	100	004		_														
(Street) NEW Y	ORK	NY	100	504																

(Last)

(Street)
NEW YORK

(City)

85 BROAD ST

(First)

NY

(State)

C/O GOLDMAN SACHS & CO

(Middle)

10004

(Zip)

Explanation of Responses:

1. The securities reported herein as indirectly purchased and sold were beneficially owned directly by Goldman, Sachs & Co. ("Goldman Sachs"). Without admitting any legal obligation, Goldman Sachs will remit appropriate profits, if any, to the Issuer. Goldman Sachs is a wholly-owned subsidiary of The Goldman Sachs Group, Inc.

/s/ Ted Chang, Attorney-in-Fact 05/23/2005

** Signature of Reporting Person Date

Reminder: Report on a separate line for each class of securities beneficially owned directly or indirectly.

- * 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).

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