

INITIAL STATEMENT OF BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES

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1. Name and Address of Reporting Person* <u>Jones Ellis</u> (Last) (First) (Middle) <u>C/O LAZARD LTD, 30 ROCKEFELLER PLAZA</u> (Street) <u>NEW YORK NY 10020</u> (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) <u>05/10/2005</u>	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol <u>Lazard Ltd [LAZ, LDZ]</u>	
		4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Director <input type="checkbox"/> Officer (give title below) <input type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date of Original Filed (Month/Day/Year) 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing (Check Applicable Line) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned

1. Title of Security (Instr. 4)	2. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned (Instr. 4)	3. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	4. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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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 Derivative Security	5. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares			

Explanation of Responses:

Remarks:

Mr. Jones is trustee of two Wasserstein family trusts for the benefit of the family of Bruce Wasserstein, the Chairman and CEO of Lazard Ltd. These Wasserstein family trusts hold Class II Interests in LAZ-MD Holdings LLC that are exchangeable for 7,978,859 shares of Class A Common Stock of Lazard Ltd. As trustee, Mr. Jones has shared voting and dispositive power over these Class II Interests in LAZ-MD Holdings LLC. Mr. Jones is also trustee of the Grantor Retained Annuity Trust under Article FIRST of the Bruce Wasserstein 2005 Trust, which holds Class II Interests in LAZ-MD Holdings LLC that are exchangeable for 1,979,337 shares of Class A Common Stock of Lazard Ltd. As trustee, Mr. Jones has sole voting power over these shares, but no dispositive power. Mr. Jones does not have a pecuniary interest in any of these Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC, and accordingly does not report holdings of the trusts on this Form. I hereby appoint Scott D. Hoffman, with full power of substitution and resubstitution, my true and lawful attorney-in-fact to execute and file such documents and other information, including amendments and exhibits thereto, as may be required to be filed, or which such attorney-in-fact may deem to be desirable to be filed, pursuant to Section 13 and Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, including, without limitation, Form 3s, Form 4s, and Form 5s, with the United States SEC and, if necessary, foreign regulators, granting to such attorneys, and each of them, full power and authority to do and perform each and every act and thing whatsoever that such attorney may deem necessary, advisable or appropriate as I might or could do personally, hereby ratifying and confirming all acts and things that such attorney or attorneys may do or cause to be done by virtue of this power of attorney. This appointment shall be effective until revoked by writing delivered to the General Counsel of Lazard Ltd.

No securities are beneficially owned.

/s/ Ellis Jones

05/18/2005

** 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 5 (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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