FORM 4

UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP

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Name and Address of Reporting Person* Wasserstein Bruce Jay						2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Lazard Ltd [LAZ, LDZ]								5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable)							
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(Street) NEW YORK NY 10020																X Form filed by One Reporting Person					
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Class A co	ommon sha	ares, par va	lue \$0.	.01	08/26/2	2005				P		10,000	A	\$2	5.1987	1,3	26,838(1)	D			
Class A common shares, par vlaue \$0.01 per share				08/29/2			P		200	A	4	\$24.96		27,038(1)	D						
Class A common shares, par value \$0.01 per share				08/29/2			P		500	A	4	24.97	1,327,538(1)		D						
Class A common shares, par value \$0.01 per share				08/29/2005		5		P		500	A	4	524.98	1,328,038(1)		D					
Class A common shares, par value \$0.01 per share					08/29/2005		5		P		2,300	A	4	24.99	1,330,338(1)		D				
Class A common shares, par value \$0.01 per share					08/29/2005		5		P		106,000	A		\$25	1,436,338(1)		D				
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1. Title of Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	2. Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	3. Transaci Date (Month/Day	h/Day/Year) if	Executi if any	. Deemed ecution Date, ıny onth/Day/Year)		ction Instr.			6. Date Exer Expiration D (Month/Day/		ate	7. Title and Amount of Securities Underlying Derivative Security (Ins and 4)		Der Sed (Ins	Price of erivative ecurity nstr. 5)	9. Number of derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transactions (Instr. 4)	Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	11. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
Evalanation						Code	v	(A)	(D)	Date Exerci	sable	Expiration Date	Title	Amou or Numl of Share	er						

Explanation of Responses:

1. The amount reported in Column 5 does not include an additional 1,979,337 shares of Class A common stock of Lazard Ltd underlying the Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC beneficially owned by Mr. Wasserstein, as previously reported on Form 4 filed on May 12, 2005. The Class II Interests of LAZ-MD Holdings LLC are effectively exchangeable for Class A common stock of Lazard Ltd over time. These Class II Interests are held by a grantor retained annuity trust formed by Mr. Wasserstein.

/s/ Bruce Wasserstein by Scott

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Attorney

** 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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