

TARANTO JOSEPH V
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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 *
TARANTO JOSEPH V

(Last) (First) (Middle)

EVEREST REINSURANCE
CO, 477 MARTINSVILLE ROAD

(Street)

LIBERTY CORNER, NJ 07938

(City) (State) (Zip)

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol
EVEREST RE GROUP LTD [RE]

3. Date of Earliest Transaction
(Month/Day/Year)
04/18/2011

4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

(Check all applicable)

Director 10% Owner
 Officer (give title below) Other (specify below)
Chairman & CEO

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)
 Form filed by One Reporting Person
 Form filed by More than One Reporting Person

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 ⁽¹⁾ | 04/18/2011 | 04/18/2011 | A | | 200,000 | A | \$ 66.23 546,635 |
| Common Shares ⁽¹⁾ | 04/18/2011 | 04/18/2011 | F | | 173,544 | D | \$ 89.735 373,091 |
| Common Shares ⁽¹⁾ | 04/19/2011 | 04/19/2011 | S | | 26,456 | D | \$ 89.3189 346,635 |

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)

| 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. Number of Derivative Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction (Instr. 3 and 4) |
|--------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| | | | | 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 |
| TARANTO JOSEPH V EVEREST REINSURANCE CO 477 MARTINSVILLE ROAD LIBERTY CORNER, NJ 07938 | X | | Chairman & CEO | |

Signatures

Sanjoy Mukherjee
(Attorney-in-Fact) 04/20/2011

__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).

Options exercised and shares sold in accordance with the previously approved Rule 10b5-1 Trading Plan. 200,000 common shares were exercised due to their forthcoming expiration on April 20, 2011. 147,612 common shares were used to pay for the exercise cost and 25,932 common shares were used to pay withholding taxes. The remaining 26,456 common shares were then sold in the open market.

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