

Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc.
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INITIAL STATEMENT OF 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 * Â Qatar Investment Authority (Last) (First) (Middle) P.O. BOX 23224 Q-TEL TOWER, 8TH FLOOR, Â DIPLOMATIC AREA STREET, WEST BAY (Street) DOHA, Â S3 Â QATAR (City) (State) (Zip)	2. Date of Event Requiring Statement (Month/Day/Year) 09/18/2015	3. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol Apollo Commercial Real Estate Finance, Inc. [ARI]	4. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer (Check all applicable) <input type="checkbox"/> Director <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 10% Owner <input type="checkbox"/> Officer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (give title below) (specify below)	5. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)	6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) <input type="checkbox"/> Form filed by One Reporting Person <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form filed by More than One Reporting Person
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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)
Common Stock	8,823,529	I	See Footnote ⁽¹⁾

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

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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	4. Conversion or Exercise	5. Ownership Form of	6. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 5)
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Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	(Instr. 4) Title	Amount or Number of Shares	Price of Derivative Security	Derivative Security: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 5)
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Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships			
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other
Qatar Investment Authority P.O. BOX 23224 Q-TEL TOWER, 8TH FLOOR DIPLOMATIC AREA STREET, WEST BAY DOHA, S3 QATAR	^	^ X	^	^
QH RE Asset Co LLC Q-TEL TOWER, DIPLOMATIC AREA STREET WEST BAY, P.O. BOX: 23224 DOHA, S3 QATAR	^	^ X	^	^

Signatures

/s/ Ahmad Al-Khanji 09/28/2015
**Signature of Reporting Person Date

/s/ Ian R. Kellow, Head of Compliance, Qatar Investment Authority 09/28/2015
**Signature of Reporting Person Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * 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).
- (1) The Common Stock is directly held by QH RE Asset Company LLC, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Qatar Investment Authority. The Reporting Persons disclaim beneficial ownership of the securities reported herein except to the extent of their pecuniary interest therein and this report shall not be deemed an admission that any such Reporting Person is the beneficial owner of, or has any pecuniary interest in, such securities for purposes of Section 16 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, or for any other purpose.

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