#### SMITH HENRY B

Form 4

January 19, 2010

## FORM 4

### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

**SECURITIES** 

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1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person \* SMITH HENRY B

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

Symbol

(Month/Day/Year)

01/15/2010

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD

(Check all applicable)

[AXS]

(Last)

(Middle)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

X\_ Director Officer (give title below)

10% Owner Other (specify

C/O AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED, 92 PITTS BAY ROAD

(First)

(Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original

(Month/Day/Year)

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

\_X\_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

(City) (State) (Zip) 1. Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if

3. 4. Securities TransactionAcquired (A) or Code Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Securities Form: Direct Indirect Beneficially (D) or Beneficial Ownership Owned Indirect (I) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4)

D

Reported Transaction(s)

or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount Price (D)

Common 01/15/2010 Shares

(Instr. 3)

A 3,519 Α (1) 23,217

(A)

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)

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Derivative Security (Instr. 3)	Conversion or Exercise Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if any (Month/Day/Year)	Transact Code (Instr. 8)	orNumber of Derivativ Securities Acquired (A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	<b>:</b>		Amou Under Securi (Instr.	lying	Derivative Security (Instr. 5)	Deriv Secur Bene Own Follo Repo Trans (Instr
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# **Reporting Owners**

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

SMITH HENRY B

C/O AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED

92 PITTS BAY ROAD

PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

### **Signatures**

Richard T. Gieryn, Jr.,
Attorney-in-Fact
01/19/2010

\*\*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).
- (1) Common Shares issued as directors' fees using the closing sale price on January 15, 2010 of \$28.42.

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