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AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD Form 4 February 05, 2015 OMB APPROVAL FORM 4 UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION OMB 3235-0287 Washington, D.C. 20549 Number: Check this box January 31, Expires: if no longer 2005 STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF subject to Estimated average **SECURITIES** Section 16. burden hours per Form 4 or response... 0.5 Form 5 Filed pursuant to Section 16(a) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, obligations Section 17(a) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935 or Section may continue. 30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 See Instruction 1(b). (Print or Type Responses) 1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * 5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to 2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Gieryn Richard T JR Issuer Symbol AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD (Check all applicable) [AXS] (Last) (First) (Middle) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction Director 10% Owner X_Officer (give title Other (specify (Month/Day/Year) below) below) 92 PITTS BAY ROAD 02/03/2015 General Counsel and Secretary (Street) 4. If Amendment, Date Original 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Filed(Month/Day/Year) Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08 Person (City) (State) (Zip) Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned 1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed 3. 4. Securities Acquired 5. Amount of 6. Ownership 7. Nature of Security (Month/Day/Year) Execution Date, if Transaction(A) or Disposed of (D) Securities Form: Direct Indirect (Instr. 3) any Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) Beneficially (D) or Beneficial (Month/Day/Year) Owned Indirect (I) Ownership (Instr. 8) Following (Instr. 4) (Instr. 4) Reported (A) Transaction(s) or (Instr. 3 and 4) Code V Amount (D) Price Common 02/04/2015 M 4.500 Α \$0 79,530 D Shares Common 02/04/2015 D 2,250 D 77,280 D 51.06 Shares Common F D 02/04/2015 789 D 76,491 51.06 Shares

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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	TransactionDerivative Code Securities		6. Date Exercisable and Expiration Date (Month/Day/Year)		7. Title and Amount of Underlying Securities (Instr. 3 and 4)	
				Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/03/2015		А	6,314		(2)	(2)	Common Shares	6,314
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/03/2015		А	702		(3)	(3)	Common Shares	702
Restricted Stock Units	(1)	02/04/2015		М		4,500	<u>(4)</u>	(4)	Common Shares	4,500

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Gieryn Richard T JR 92 PITTS BAY ROAD PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08			General Counsel and Secretary				

Signatures

Richard T. Gieryn, Jr.	02/05/2015			
<u>**</u> 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) Upon vesting, each restricted stock unit will be equal in value to one common share (50% of the restricted stock units will be settled in common shares and 50% will be settled in cash).
- (2) The restricted stock units will vest in four equal annual installments beginning March 1, 2016.
- (3) Represents a guaranteed minimum award of performance-based restricted stock units. The award may increase up to 14,032 restricted stock units provided that certain Company performance conditions are satisfied. The award will be eligible to vest in a single installment

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on March 1, 2018.

(4) The restricted stock units vest in four equal annual installments beginning February 4, 2014.

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