ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD.

Form 4

January 03, 2006

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

SECURITIES

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30(h) of the Investment Company Act of 1940

1(b).

(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **H&F CORP INVESTORS IV BERMUDA LTD**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to Issuer

below)

ARCH CAPITAL GROUP LTD.

(Check all applicable)

[ACGL]

(Last) (First) 3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director X__ 10% Owner Other (specify Officer (give title

(Month/Day/Year) 12/30/2005

C/O A.S. & K. SERVICES. LTD., CEDAR HOUSE, 41 CEDAR

(Street)

(State)

AVENUE

(City)

(Instr. 3)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

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

Table I - Non-Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned

HAMILTON HM 12 BERMUDA

1.Title of 2. Transaction Date 2A. Deemed Security (Month/Day/Year)

Execution Date, if

(Month/Day/Year)

(Middle)

(Zip)

4. Securities Acquired (A) 5. Amount of Transaction Disposed of (D) Code (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (Instr. 8)

Securities Beneficially Owned

Following

Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect

Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)

7. Nature of

(A) (D) Reported Transaction(s) (Instr. 4)

(Instr. 3 and 4) Price

Common Shares,

(2)

\$0.01 par value per share (1)

12/30/2005

7,745,820 $C^{(3)}$

Code V

(3)

Amount

(3) $9,348,044 \stackrel{(4)}{=} I$ Partnership (1)(2)

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. Transacti Code (Instr. 8)	5. Number of orDerivative 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)	
				Code V	(A) (D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount Number Shares
Series A Convertible Preference Shares	<u>(4)</u>	12/30/2005		C(3)	7,745,820	(3)	(3)	Common Shares, \$0.01 par value per share	7,745,

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address

Director 10% Owner Officer Other

H&F CORP INVESTORS IV BERMUDA LTD C/O A.S. & K. SERVICES, LTD. CEDAR HOUSE, 41 CEDAR AVENUE HAMILTON HM 12 BERMUDA

X

Signatures

/s/Georgia Lee, Vice President

12/30/2005

**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).

THE REPORTING PERSONS ARE, AND THIS FORM 4 IS FILED JOINTLY ON BEHALF OF, HFCP IV (BERMUDA), L.P.

- ("HFCP IV BERMUDA"), H&F INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS IV-A (BERMUDA), L.P. ("HFIP IV-A BERMUDA"), H&F
 INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS IV-B (BERMUDA), L.P. ("HFIP IV-B BERMUDA") AND H&F EXECUTIVE FUND (BERMUDA),
 L.P. ("HFEF BERMUDA" AND COLLECTIVELY, THE "PARTNERSHIPS"). H&F INVESTORS IV (BERMUDA), L.P. ("HFI IV
 BERMUDA") IS THE SOLE GENERAL PARTNER OF EACH OF THE PARTNERSHIPS. H&F CORPORATE INVESTORS IV
 (BERMUDA), LTD. ("HFCI BERMUDA") IS THE SOLE GENERAL PARTNER OF HFI IV BERMUDA.
 - A FOUR MEMBER INVESTMENT COMMITTEE OF HFCI BERMUDA FORMED BY THE SHARE HOLDERS OF HFCI BERMUDA ("THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE") HAS INVESTMENT DISCRETION OVER THE SECURITIES. AS A RESULT,
- (2) HFCI BERMUDA AND HFI IV BERMUDA MAY BE DEEMED TO CONTROL THE PARTNERSHIPS. THE MEMBERS OF THE INVESTMENT COMMITTEE DISCLAIM BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP, EXCEPT TO THE EXTENT OF THEIR RESPECTIVE INDIRECT PECUNIARY INTERESTS IN THE ISSUER.

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ON DECEMBER 30, 2005 AT THE REQUEST OF THE ISSUER, HFCP IV BERMUDA, HFIP IV-A BERMUDA, HFIP IV-B BERMUDA AND HFEF BERMUDA CONVERTED 6,242,079, 1,024,343, 338,397 AND 141,001 SHARES, RESPECTIVELY (COLLECTIVELY 7,745,820), OF SERIES A CONVERTIBLE PREFERENCE SHARES OF THE ISSUER ("PREFERENCE SHARES") INTO AN EQUAL NUMBER OF COMMON SHARES OF THE ISSUER. THE PREFERENCE SHARES WOULD HAVE OTHERWISE BEEN CONVERTED AUTOMATICALLY INTO COMMON SHARES IN FEBRUARY 2006.

FOLLOWING CONVERSION OF THE PREFERENCE SHARES, HFCP IV BERMUDA, HFIP IV-A BERMUDA, HFIP IV-B BERMUDA AND HFEF BERMUDA BENEFICIALLY OWN 7,533,276, 1,236,264, 408,402 AND 170,102 COMMON SHARES, RESPECTIVELY (COLLECTIVELY 9,348,044 COMMON SHARES). SHARE COUNTS EXCLUDE 9,787 COMMON SHARES AND 5,100 OPTIONS TO ACQURE COMMON SHARES GRANTED TO JOHN BUNCE AND DAVID TUNNELL IN CONSIDERATION FOR THEIR SERVICE AS DIRECTORS OF THE ISSUERS THAT ARE HELD PROPORTIONATELY FOR

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THE BENEFIT OF THE PARTNERSHIPS.