AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD

Form 4

February 14, 2006

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

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF

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(Print or Type Responses)

1. Name and Address of Reporting Person * **COOK ANDREW**

2. Issuer Name and Ticker or Trading Symbol

5. Relationship of Reporting Person(s) to

Issuer

below)

AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LTD

(Check all applicable)

[AXS]

(Last)

3. Date of Earliest Transaction

Director 10% Owner _X__ Officer (give title _ Other (specify

(Month/Day/Year)

02/10/2006

Chief Financial Officer

C/O AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED, 106 PITTS BAY ROAD (Street)

(First)

(Middle)

4. If Amendment, Date Original

6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check

Applicable Line)

Filed(Month/Day/Year)

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(City)	(State)	(Zip) 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. Transactio Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securities Acquired on(A) or Disposed of (D) (Instr. 3, 4 and 5) (A) or			5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)		
~			Code V	Amount	(D)	Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)				
Common Shares	02/10/2006		S	600	D	\$ 31.04	367,100	D			
Common Shares	02/10/2006		S	1,700	D	\$ 31.03	365,400	D			
Common Shares	02/10/2006		S	2,800	D	\$ 31.02	362,600	D			
Common Shares	02/10/2006		S	2,200	D	\$ 31.01	360,400	D			
Common Shares	02/10/2006		S	34,700	D	\$ 31	325,700	D			

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Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	100	D	\$ 30.94	325,600	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	1,600	D	\$ 30.93	324,000	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	3,700	D	\$ 30.92	320,300	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	5,900	D	\$ 30.91	314,400	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	27,800	D	\$ 30.9	286,600	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	3,700	D	\$ 30.89	282,900	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	3,400	D	\$ 30.88	279,500	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	4,400	D	\$ 30.87	275,100	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	300	D	\$ 30.86	274,800	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	4,000	D	\$ 30.8	270,800	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	21,700	D	\$ 30.75	249,100	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	800	D	\$ 30.88	248,300	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	300	D	\$ 30.86	248,000	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	100	D	\$ 30.85	247,900	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	1,100	D	\$ 30.84	246,800	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	500	D	\$ 30.83	246,300	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	1,400	D	\$ 30.82	244,900	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	2,300	D	\$ 30.8	242,600	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	500	D	\$ 30.79	242,100	D
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	200	D	\$ 30.77	241,900	D
	02/13/2006	S	200	D		241,700	D

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Common Shares					\$ 30.76		
Common Shares	02/13/2006	S	27,500	D	\$ 30.75	214,200	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S				213,600	D
Common Shares	02/10/2006	S	100	D	\$ 31.37	213,500	D

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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	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.		5.	6. Date Exerc	cisable and	7. Titl	le and	8. Price of
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transa	ectio	nNumber	Expiration D	ate	Amou	ınt of	Derivative
Security	or Exercise		any	Code		of	(Month/Day/	Year)	Under	rlying	Security
(Instr. 3)	Price of		(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr.	8)	Derivative	•		Secur	ities	(Instr. 5)
	Derivative					Securities			(Instr.	3 and 4)	
	Security					Acquired					
						(A) or					
						Disposed					
						of (D)					
						(Instr. 3,					
						4, and 5)					
										Amount	
							Date	Expiration	mt a	or	
							Exercisable	Date		Number	
				~ ·						of	
				Code	V	(A) (D)				Shares	

Reporting Owners

Relationships **Reporting Owner Name / Address** Director 10% Owner Officer Other

COOK ANDREW C/O AXIS CAPITAL HOLDINGS LIMITED 106 PITTS BAY ROAD PEMBROKE, D0 HM 08

Chief Financial Officer

Signatures

Andrew Cook 02/14/2006 **Signature of Date Reporting Person

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